

# THE WROXHAM BENEFICE

**11th June 2023 First Sunday after Trinity**

## Services

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| June 11 <sup>th</sup> | 10am | Wroxham          | Holy Communion   |
| June 18 <sup>th</sup> | 10am | Hoveton St John  | Holy Communion   |
|                       | 10am | Hoveton St Peter | Morning Worship  |
| June 25 <sup>th</sup> | 10am | Wroxham          | Holy Communion   |
| July 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | 10am | Hoveton St John  | Informal Worship |
|                       | 10am | Tunstead         | Holy Communion   |

## Hymns

- 96 Christ is made the sure foundation
- 583 O worship the Lord
- 152 Dear Lord and Father
- 91 Brother, sister (during Communion)
- 479 Lord the Light of your Love

## Prayer for the Parishes

We meet as usual this Tuesday from 6pm for half an hour at the Vicarage to pray for our parishes, our communities and our world – and a few of our own intentions too. We use a framework of Celtic Evening Prayer, and spend time in silence and in listening to reflective music. The coffee is good, and the company better. Everyone is welcome!

For Home Communion, Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals, please contact the Rector Revd Elizabeth Jump 01603 784150 [rector@wroxhambenefice.org](mailto:rector@wroxhambenefice.org)

## For our Prayers

### All those who ask for our prayers

Helen Dellar, Claire Firrell, Queenie Whayman, Ros Durrant, Alyssa, Simon, Bonnie Davies, Bob Shaw, Christine Goodhew, Pauline Willis, Joan Willis, Lilian Pointer, Richard Wilson, Edward Minster, Mark, Carole Tims, Shaun Whitmore

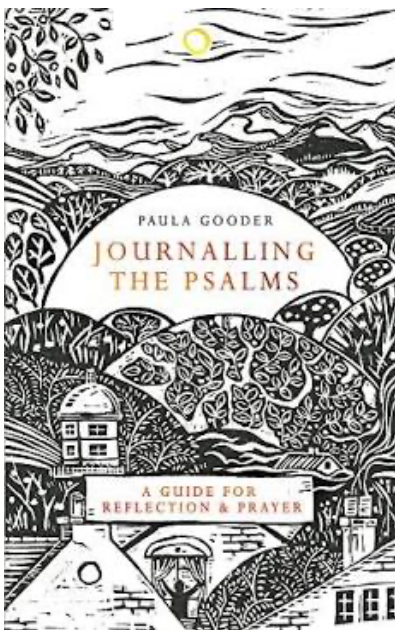
### All who have died recently

Russell Pointer, Joan Burt

### All whose anniversaries occur at this time

Martin Truss, Rita Capps, June Elliott,

## Coffee, Cake and Conversation



After our Advent and Lent groups, there has been interest in continuing to meet. There was a lot of enthusiasm for focusing on a part of the Bible in our discussions this time around.

Having looked at several options, I propose using 'Journalling the Psalms' by Paula Gooder, and at the back of church both today and next Sunday there is a copy to look at. This is a well regarded book which encourages us to look at particular Psalms and use the prompts and information to reflect on them for ourselves.

The book costs around £12 and each participant would need their own copy as it is a journal for you to work in. If anyone would like to join but is hesitant because of the cost, please just have a quiet word with Liz and a copy will be provided.

Do let me know if you are interested in joining us. Thursday mornings have proved a popular time, but I'm happy to look at another time, or an evening if that is helpful. We can of course run more than one group if needed.

## Help Needed!



We do our best to keep Wroxham Church clean and tidy, but the dedicated group who undertake this work are becoming increasingly overstretched in the task.

Can you help? We are hoping that there may be people who would be willing to take part in a rota to clean the church. If we get enough volunteers it would mean that each of us would only need to take part once every few weeks. Please let Liz know if you can help. Thank you.

## **Coffee Morning**

Ros and Peter Hawes invite you to their home,  
**High Gables, Tunstead Road, Hoveton**  
**on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June from 10.30am**

for a Coffee Morning in aid of Hoveton St Peter Church.  
Delicious cakes, plants, books, jigsaws and raffle, as well as a chance  
to meet with friends from across the Benefice.

*All are welcome!*

## **DEDICATION OF NEW MEMORIALS IN ST MARYS CHURCHYARD**

**Friday, June 16, 11 am**

You are invited to the dedication of new memorials to one of Wroxham's most famous and influential residents Agnes Gardner King - a highly regarded Victorian artist and generous benefactor to the parish of Wroxham .

Her grave, and that of her sister Elizabeth, was once a very prominent feature in the churchyard marked with a large intricately designed wooden cross. However the wood had rotted and the grave has lain sadly neglected and unmarked - until now.

On Friday new memorials will be unveiled by members of her family and ***you are all invited*** to attend the dedication of these, followed by coffee and cake in the church.

## **Hoveton St John Coffee Morning**

will take place in the Church  
on **Wednesday 14th June from 10.30am.**

Do come & and enjoy coffee & bites  
whilst chatting to friends new & old.

Cost only £2.00 for as much drink & nibbles you would like.

All most welcome.

## **Hoveton St John Update!**

We have quite a bit of work happening in and around St John's Church, so we would like to invite parishioners to stay behind after the service on 18<sup>th</sup> June so that we can update you.

## **Celebrate Summer!**

with a light supper & delicious puddings with entertainment  
in Wroxham Church Hall on Saturday 1st July at 6.00pm.

Tickets from Margaret Davies £15 in aid of St. Mary's Church.

## **Fancy a decent coffee and a piece of cake?**

That's the offer on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July 10am – 12.30** when we are asking anyone who is able to come and join Wroxham PCC tackling the smaller jobs around St Mary's churchyard. Some weeding around the benches, clearing around the church and general tidying. Bring tools if you can, and we will bring the coffee and cake!

## COLLECT

O God,  
the strength of all those who put their trust in you,  
mercifully accept our prayers  
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature  
we can do no good thing without you,  
grant us the help of your grace,  
that in the keeping of your commandments  
we may please you both in will and deed;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## OLD TESTAMENT Hosea 5.15 – 6.6

I will return again to my place  
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.  
In their distress they will beg my favour:  
'Come, let us return to the Lord;  
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;  
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.  
After two days he will revive us;  
on the third day he will raise us up,  
that we may live before him.  
Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord;  
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;  
he will come to us like the showers,  
like the spring rains that water the earth.'  
What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?  
What shall I do with you, O Judah?  
Your love is like a morning cloud,  
like the dew that goes away early.  
Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets,  
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,  
and my judgement goes forth as the light.  
For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,  
the knowledge of God rather than burnt-offerings.

## NEW TESTAMENT Romans 4.13–25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, ‘I have made you the father of many nations’)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become ‘the father of many nations’, according to what was said, ‘So numerous shall your descendants be.’ He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith ‘was reckoned to him as righteousness.’ Now the words, ‘it was reckoned to him’, were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

## GOSPEL Matthew 9.9–13,18–26

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, ‘Follow me.’ And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, ‘Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?’ But when he heard this, he said, ‘Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are

sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice."  
For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, 'My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.' And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, 'If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.' Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, 'Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.' And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, 'Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

#### POST COMMUNION

Eternal Father,  
we thank you for nourishing us  
with these heavenly gifts:  
may our communion strengthen us in faith,  
build us up in hope,  
and make us grow in love;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.