

Change in services

Partly because of Lent/Easter and partly because of the visit of the Bishop of Peterborough on 4 March, the pattern of services will be slightly different for the next couple of months. On the 5th February there will be a joint benefice Family Service at Dodford taken by Canon John, with Holy Communion at Weedon at 9.30 am.

Services at Everdon

5 Feb	10.30 am	Benefice Family Service at Dodford, Canon John Knight
12 Feb	9.30 am	Holy Communion
19 Feb	11 am	Holy Communion
22 Feb	7.30 pm	Ash Wednesday service at Weedon
26 Feb	11 am	Holy Communion

Cleaning

5 Feb	J Clark
12 Feb	D Coulson, B Whittaker
19 Feb	M Lewis, E Powell
26 Feb	E Bowman, P Gratton

Flowers

J Groves, J Grundy
M Hodgkinson, W Wilson
No flowers from Ash Wednesday until Easter Day

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LENT BIBLE STUDY (for the Benefice)

Have you always wanted to understand the Bible better? Now's your chance! Come to The Old House in Little Everdon during Lent and join with others to explore. No obligation to come every week, no need to book, just come along. It will be very informal and there will be no test at the end!!



Thursdays, 23rd Feb., 1st, 8th,
15th, 22nd, & 29th March 2012

Time: 7.30 – 9.00 pm. Venue: The Stone House, Little Everdon
Hosted by: Mrs Fran Eastwood (Tel: 01327 361341)
Bible Study Conductor: Mrs Jill Knight supported by the Vicar
Light refreshments served. EVERYONE welcome!

PCC members

Chairman: Canon John Knight
Churchwardens: Charles Coaker, Anne Ford
Secretary: Fran Eastwood 361341
Treasurer: Charles Grundy
Restoration treasurer: Jonathan Hill
Other members: Carol Bevan, Julia Grundy, Karen Kingston

Message from the Vicar

I am just so sorry that I have not got around as much as I would have liked - but this dreadful viral infection that hit me on Christmas Eve, has not only left me without energy, but disconcertingly attacked my legs, and made walking very difficult. We keep praying that I will soon be totally free of it.. I am discovering so many good things happening in the Benefice - like a free lunch over the Christmas/New Year season for the older folk of both Weedon and Everdon. No charge! And provided by the generosity of people of both villages raising funds through the year for that specific purpose. What a blessing you are.

We have prepared a special event for all three parishes to take part in - a Lenten Bible Study - which my wife Jill will lead with background support from me. Jill has a great knowledge of the Bible, and led Bible Study and House groups for many years. Fran Eastwood in Little Everdon is kindly hosting the event and all are welcome.

And from Bishop Donald

February this year sees the 60th anniversary of our Queen's Accession to the throne; a significant meeting of the General Synod as it begins to look at the details of how women bishops could change our Church and how we could provide for those uncomfortable with this; and who knows what else on our local, national and world stages?

This may be the shortest month, but it is action-packed. Reminders of the past and pointers to the future. A world of uncertainty, but with the assurance of God's abundant provision and his trustworthy promises. The excitement of Christmas is over, the pain of the passion looms on the horizon, but beyond it the stunning and transforming joy of Easter.

February may be busy but it is a month of waiting, of preparation. Noting the Queen's anniversary but waiting for the big celebrations in the summer; working on the details of the changes women bishops will bring to the church, but no final vote yet; always remembering that Christ's death and resurrection are at the heart of our life and faith.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 6 February is the **60th anniversary** of Queen Elizabeth II's accession to the throne. No celebrations yet, those will be during the long weekend of 2 June, the 59th anniversary of the coronation.

Thursday 9th February 7.30 pm **Like Minded Ladies evening** in the Chapter House

Tuesday 14th February **Mothers Union** 2.30 pm in the Chapter House speaker Margaret Hooper 'A Child in Wartime Britain'.

Thursday 23rd February **Lent Bible Study** 7.30 pm The Old House, Little Everdon

Thursday 23rd February **Craft Evening** 7.30 pm, bring along something 'to do' and join in with coffee and a chat.

Services around the benefice

	Weedon	Dodford
5 Feb	9.30 am Holy Communion	11 am Benefice Family Service
12 Feb	11.00 am Holy Communion	
19 Feb	9.30 am Family service	9.30 am Holy Communion
22 Feb	7.30 pm Benefice Ash Wednesday service	
26 Feb	9.30 am Holy Communion	