Astwick Vale Pews News 2nd March 2025

Services for 2nd March Sunday before Lent 7th Sunday before Easter 11.00am, Aynho, Holy Communion 10.00am Evenley, Morning Prayer 9.15am, Farthinghoe, Holy Communion 6.00pm, Hinton, Evensong ~~ Colour Green Readings Exodus 34:29-35

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 Luke 9:28-36(37-43a) <u>Collect</u>

Almighty Father whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross:

give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Services for 5th March Ash Wednesday 9.30am, Croughton, Holy Communion with imposition of ashes 7.30pm, Farthinghoe, Holy Communion with imposition of ashes Colour purple Readings Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 OR Isaiah 58:1-12, 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 OR John 8:1-11

The Churches of Aynho, Croughton, Evenley, Farthinghoe, Hinton and Steane office@astwickvalebenefice.org 01869 810903 new website address www.astwickvalebenefice.org

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| | - | For all those struggling with |
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| Services for 9th March | | health issues, especially those |
| First Sunday of Lent | | in hospital & those awaiting |
| 6th Sunday before Easter | | treatment. |
| - | - | For Pope Francis as he |
| 10.00am, Aynho, Morning Worship | | struggles with double pneumonia & other issues. |
| 11.00am Croughton, Holy Communion | - | For Mark Jermy and family as they prepare for the funeral of |
| 9.15am, Evenley, Holy Communion | | Paula on Thursday 6 th March at Banbury Crematorium, |
| 5.30pm, Farthinghoe, Evening Prayer | - | <i>12.00.</i> <i>For Nick Pane & his family as</i> <i>they prepare for the funeral of</i> |
| 11.00am, Hinton, Morning Prayer | | Roger on Thursday 6th March at Banbury Crematorium 2pm. |
| Colour purple | - | <i>Holly</i> as she continues to be |
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| PRAYERS | | much for your prayers. |
| We pray for all who live or | - | Wendy & Jeremy |
| work within the parishes of our Benefice, and for those known to us who are sick | - | <i>For HM King Charles III & all members of the Royal family. For the staff & the many</i> |
| in body, mind, or spirit, at home or in hospital and who need God's loving | | volunteers of Katherine House Hospice who provide specialist palliative care for adults with |
| touch at this timeAmong | | life limiting conditions across |
| them are - | | North Oxfordshire, South |
| | | Northamptonshire & South |
| - Pip & Katie, Douglas, Jackie, Norman, Bruce, Tony, Peter, | | <i>Warwickshire.</i> <i>Our churches are always open</i> |
| Dawn, Janet. | | for private prayer; all are |
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welcome. - (Croughton -by appointment only)



Dates for March 2025 1st St David's Day 4th Shrove Tuesdav 5th Ash Wednesdav (Start of Lent) 7th Women's World Day of Prayer, Service at St Michael's Aynho, time 11.00am, 11th, Evenley Village soup lunch, 12.15 – 1.30pm All welcome (note new start time) 14th Farthinghoe, 10.00am -11.00 coffee, cake & chat in the vestry- all welcome 17th St Patrick's Day 20th Vernal Equinox, Spring beains 29th Clocks go forward 1 hour 30th Mothering Sunday

<u>Dates for April 2025</u> 6th Passiontide begins 6th Steane 6pm Evensong (First of our six special services this year) 8th Evenley Village soup lunch, 12.15-1.30pm 11th Farthinghoe, 10.00am – 11.00 coffee, cake & chat in the vestry- all welcome 13th Palm Sunday- start of Holy week – (no bells will be rung this week) 18th Good Friday 20th Easter Day 23rd St George's Day

<u>Have a look at our Benefice website.</u> <u>www.astwickvalebenefice.org</u> <u>Telephone number</u> (01869) 810903

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Wardens Aynho Andrew Bellamy 01869 810847 Kathy White 01869 810418 Croughton: Angie Robbins 01869 811445, Evenley: Jose Golding 07708 539191 Farthinghoe: Position vacant Hinton-in-the-Hedges: Sam Mainds 07860 465000

<u>Church membership &</u> <u>Electoral roll</u>

The Churches' Electoral Roll is much more than a list of names, it is also a means of communicating with the whole church body in any village. Once in every six years the preparation of new church electoral rolls takes place, which means that evervone must come off the roll and re-apply and as 2025 is that year everyone who is currently on the electoral register needs to fill in an application form. We also welcome any new qualifying person to apply for registration. We would ask that if vou come to church and can fulfil the above requirements that you please complete an application form that will be found in church in the coming weeks. If you cannot fulfil the above requirements, it doesn't mean you are not welcome, for all are welcome.

<u>Coming soon</u> The dates for the Annual Parochial Church Meetings For the election of Church Warden PCC members Deanery Synod members <u>Church Fete dates</u> Aynho 21st June Hinton, 12th July

<u>AND FINALLY</u> <u>Quotes of St David</u>

Do the little things in life, for one day you may realize they were the big things.

Great things are done by a series of small things brought together. The heart of Wales beats strong in every act of kindness and every proud voice.

On St David's Day, let kindness lead the way—just as Dewi Sant taught us. True strength is found not in power, but in the spirit of a united people. March 1st is a reminder that traditions live on through love, courage, and faith.



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