

NEWS for the PEWS

The Weekly Newsletter for the Earsham Benefice

We warmly welcome you to our church today.

If you are a visitor or newcomer to our church, please sit anywhere, enjoy the worship and stay for coffee which is usually after the service.

Our Benefice vision is for people to come to faith in Christ and for us all to grow in faith and discipleship so that together we offer whole-hearted worship to Christ.

We serve the communities of

Alburgh, Broome, Denton, Ditchingham, Earsham & Hedenham

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THIS WEEK: Easter Day

5th April 2026

WHITE

Alburgh 10.00am ~ Holy Communion Service

Broome 10.00am ~ Holy Communion Service

Denton 9.30am ~ Family Holy Communion Service

Ditchingham 6.15am Sunrise Service ~ 10.00am Holy Communion Service

Earsham 10.30am ~ Fresh Expressions Café Service

Hedenham 11.00am ~ Holy Communion Service

Jeremiah 31 v1-6

John 20 v1-18

Easter

The Collect

**Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity. Amen.**

NEXT WEEK: Easter 2

12th April 2026

WHITE

Alburgh 10.00am ~ Holy Communion Service

Broome 10.00am ~ Morning Prayer

Denton 9.30am ~ Service at Chapel

Earsham 9.00am/10.30am ~ Holy Communion/Fresh Expressions Café Service

Acts 2 v22-32

John 20 v19-31

Jesus appears

FOLLOWING WEEK: Easter 3

19th April 2026

WHITE

Denton 9.30am ~ Holy Communion Service

Ditchingham 10.00am ~ Morning Service

Earsham 10.30am ~ Fresh Expressions Café Service

Acts 2 v36-41

Luke 24 v13-35

Changed Hearts

CHRIST HAS RISEN

C hrist lives within our
H earts and he has
R isen from the dead
I n order to offer us
S alvation and eternal life
T oday and forever more.

H e's our Savior and
A lmighty God, forgiving of
S ins and cleanses our souls.

R emembering always that he
I s our Father and
S aves us for all
E ternity and he will
N ever turn his back.



Spring Craft Fair 2026

Saturday 11th April • 11:30 - 14:30 • Denton Village Hall

Quality crafts from local artists and makers.

Refreshments and light lunches available.

Come and treat yourself to a little loveliness.



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ANNUAL VESTRY AND PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETINGS FOR 2026

Time scale of preparation for APCMs

1st March 2026

Election of Churchwardens notice to be displayed in the Church

Notice of APCM to be displayed in the church

Election of PCC notice to be displayed in the church

Notice to Parishioners to be displayed in the Porch

Accounts and update of Electoral Roll needs approving by PCC (*can be after a service*)

on or before **12th or 13th April 2026**

Before 14th April 2026

- **Revised Electoral Roll** to be displayed in the churches for at least 14 days
- **Accounts** displayed
- **Agenda** for APCM to be available to congregations via News for the Pews- **12th April 2026**

VESTRY MEETINGS (Election of Churchwardens) IN EACH CHURCH

Sunday 15 th March 2026	9.30am	Denton
Sunday 15 th March 2026	10.00am	Ditchingham
Tuesday 24 th March 2026	6.00pm	Hedenham
Sunday 22 nd March 2026	10.00am	Broome, Alburgh
Sunday 12 th April 2026	9.00am	Earsham

Please also note that Diocesan Synod Representatives to be elected

Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Tuesday 28th April 2026 at 7.30pm
at Ditchingham Primary Academy

Accounts and statements signed by Chairman to be displayed in the churches for 14 days after APCM. Notice of election results to be displayed for 14 days after APCM

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Schools Chaplain

Caroline Hutton

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Denton: Local Ecumenical Partnership part of the Waveney Valley Ecumenical Partnership

The Rev'd Bruno Boldrini

UNAVAILABLE

Dates for the Diary

18.04.26: Earsham Church Rooms ~ Flute booked

19.04.26: Ditchingham ~ Baptism 11.30am re: Aura Rosalie Angela Kelly ~ CH

28.04.26: Benefice APCM: 7.30pm: Ditchingham School

30.04.26: Churchwarden Meeting: 7.30pm at Rectory

03.05.26: Ditchingham ~ Baptism 11.30am re: Aria Rose Woodison ~ CH

EFESB (Earsham Fresh Expression Bible Study)

A mostly weekly Bible Study on a **Wednesday 10am-11.30am** in Earsham Church Rooms.

All Welcome to join. Contact Phil or Chris Edwards for more info.

Benefice Prayer Meeting

Do join us for our weekly prayer meeting at **6pm** every **Friday**, in the Earsham Church Rooms for 30 minutes.

If you feel uncomfortable praying out loud, you do not have to but can sit and pray in silence.

Contact Jo for more information.

Keeping in Touch

If you miss picking up the News for the Pews in Church, the latest copy can be downloaded each week from www.earshambenefice.org.uk. For up-to-date information like us on Facebook – search Earsham Benefice or look out for the regular Benefice e-mails. If you don't receive these please e-mail the office with your details.

If you are running an event, please e-mail the Office so that it can be included in the N4P.

Safeguarding

Within the Earsham Benefice we take safeguarding very seriously. If you have a concern about the safety of someone or the actions of a person working with children or vulnerable adults, please speak out and stay safe.

Our Named Safeguarding Officer is Sally Thomson, and she can be contacted on 01986 894494