

Church Chimes

Dedham and Ardleigh Parishes

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23rd and 30th March 2025

Services for 23rd March

Lent 3

9.30am Morning Praise—Ardleigh Church

9.30am Holy Communion—Dedham Church (and live stream, if possible)

Readings: 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13 and Luke 13: 1-9

Including Junior Church for children aged 3-10 during the service at Dedham

Services for 30th March

Lent 4 and Mothering Sunday

9.30am Mothering Sunday service—Ardleigh Church

9.30am Mothering Sunday service and Baptism—Dedham Church (and live stream, if possible)

Readings: 2 Corinthians 1:3-7 or Colossians 3: 12-17 and Luke 2: 33-35 or John 19: 25b-27

Including Junior Church for children aged 3-10 during the service at Dedham

Dates of APCM

Dedham APCM Sunday 13th April, after the 11am service

Ardleigh APCM Sunday 18th May, after the 9.30 am service

New Electoral Roll for Dedham and Ardleigh-final call before the Dedham APCM—please submit forms by Friday 28th March

A new church electoral roll has to be prepared in 2025 in each parish. This means that everyone will need to apply to be on the new electoral roll, even if you have previously been on it. We would like to encourage everyone who worships regularly at Dedham and Ardleigh (at least once per month), to apply to be on the new electoral roll. Electoral Roll forms are available in both churches, and an email with an electronic form will also be sent to everyone. Please fill the forms in carefully and return to the Parishes Office, either via email or hard copy. If it is a hard copy, please pass on to the churchwardens or service warden, or to the Postbox at the Assembly Rooms.

Confirmation

Many people in the Church of England are baptised as babies. This is because it is a sign of "the Lord's love... [for] those who fear Him, and... [for] their children's children" (Psalm 103:17). In a service of Confirmation, candidates affirm the faith of their baptism and their desire to live that out publicly and in the fellowship of the Church. There will be some Confirmation preparation beginning in the parishes in the coming months. Please contact John (harwichrmjohn@gmail.com) or Phillip (harwichrmphillip@gmail.com) if you would like to explore this step of faith.

Lent resources

This Lent we are making available two courses and two booklets. John is leading a course called Living Hope on Monday afternoons in Great Bromley (for which there is a booklet). Phillip is leading a course called Learning from the Early Church on most (but not all) Wednesday evenings in Little Bentley. Please visit [the 'What's on' page](#) on the Tendring and Dedham Parishes website for more information. There is also a Lent devotional based on the beatitudes called In Quietness and Trust available up the back of your nearest church building for a gold coin donation.

New Volunteers needed desperately for Dedham Church AV team

Dedham Church AV team is in desperate need of new volunteers to join them. Can you help? If so, please speak to someone on the AV team, or one of the ministers, or churchwardens. Please note that as there are so few people on the AV team at the moment, the livestreaming of some services may not be possible.

Save the Dates, Ardleigh Church:

April 3rd Thursday The whole congregation has been invited to Ardleigh Primary School for the day, to help at their Easter Workshops. There will be five exciting stations and I'm not sure who will have more fun: the pupils or us. More information will follow but please keep the day free!

April 4th Friday End of Term Service for Ardleigh Primary School These are becoming more and more popular with increasing numbers attending. If you would like to join us and help with refreshments afterwards, please let Rosemary or Susan know.

April 11th Friday We are hoping to have a 'Bake Along' Holiday Activity Time. Yes, you have guessed it! We would love you to sign up to help in a small way or large. More details will follow but do encourage Caroline Allen by letting her know whether you might be interested please.

What's on?

Morning Prayer – every Tuesday at 10.30am, Dedham Church.

Benefice Prayer Meeting – every Monday at 5.00pm on Zoom, please contact the Parishes Office for the access code.

Ardleigh Friendship Group – every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month
10am to 12 noon in Ardleigh Church - outside when weather allows.

Ardleigh Craft Group meeting on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month,
10am-12pm. Please contact Ardleigh Churchwarden if you would like to join us.

Little Steps Pre-School Group-every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month:
9.30am in Ardleigh church

Bell Ringing Practice at Ardleigh Church
New members welcome-every Tuesday, 7-9pm

DJB Youth Group, 3rd Sunday of the month
6.15pm-7.30pm, Duchy Barn. Email stmarydacypw@gmail.com for further information

Funeral Notices:

Funeral service for Hugh Barrell, Wednesday 26th March at 11am, Dedham Church

Interment of ashes for Kathleen Woolener, Friday 28th March at 1pm, Dedham Church

Funeral service for Ralph Ablett, Monday 7th April at 10am, Dedham Church

Thank you to everyone for continuing to give to support the ministry and mission of our parishes. For ways to give electronically or to set up a standing order please visit our website or contact the Parishes office: stmaryda@gmail.com

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Lent 3	Lent 4	Lent 5	Palm Sunday	Church
23 March	30 March	6 April	13 April	
09.30 Family Praise	09.30 Mothering Sunday Service	09.30 HC	09.30 M Praise 18.00 Mix at Six	All Saints Great Oakley
	11.00 Mothering Sunday Service		15.00 Café Church	St Mary Wix
11.00 HC	09.30 Mothering Sunday Service	11.00 Morning Prayer	11.00 HC	All Saints Wrabness
09.30 Morning Prayer	09.30 Mothering Sunday Service			St Edmund Tendring
18.00 Evensong		11.00 HC		St Leonard Beaumont
	11.00 Mothering Sunday Service	11.00 Morning Prayer		St Mary Lt Bentley
11.00 HC	11.00 Mothering Sunday Service	11.00 HC (BCP)	11.00 HC	St George Great Bromley
09.30 MPraise	09.30 Mothering Sunday Service	8.00 HC (BCP) 09.30 Café Church	09.30 HC	St Mary Ardleigh
09.30 HC	09.30 Mothering Sunday Service	09.30 Rise N Shine 17.00 Evensong	11.00 HC	St Mary Dedham