



**“NEWS from the PEWS”**  
**The Parish of POSTLING**  
Part of the Elham Valley Group of Churches

**March  
- April  
2023**

*The Bi-monthly Newsletter of St. Mary & St. Radigund's Church, Postling*

Priest in Charge: **Rev Jane Weeks**, on long-term sick leave  
Assistant Curate: **Rev. Deb. Scoble**, The Vicarage, Lyminge 862747  
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Churchwardens: **Peter Le Feuvre** 863780 and **Chris Reynolds** 862436  
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Safeguarding Officers: **Helen Calderbank and Sarah Montgomery** 863780

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**PLANS FOR POSTLING CORONATION CELEBRATIONS**

Save the dates!

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May. 6pm Barn Dance at Pent Farm with 'Abbey Capers Barn Dance Band'. Bring your own food and drink. For the village and friends. No ticket needed

8.30pm Lighting of a Beacon on the hill

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 1pm Walking Treasure Hunt around the village

3pm Village games at Churchfield

4.30pm Coronation Tea. To be held in the Street (if permission is given to close the road). Bring food to share, and an entry for the 'Coronation Bake Off Competition' that will be judged and then eaten!

A Coronation Oak Tree will be planted outside the Village Hall

Further details to follow. Please be ready to help with the many arrangements that will need to be made

The 'Postling Coffee and Home-Made Cake' Mornings in the Church will begin again in March. They will take place on the second Saturday of each month between 10am and noon in Postling's beautiful church. The next dates are Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March and 8<sup>th</sup> April

Jane Seymour (01303-862142) and Jenny Mannion (01303- 863341) are organising them and any offer of help will be gratefully received. Donations, in their entirety, will go to the Pilgrims Hospice, Ashford.

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**The Elham Valley Churches Lent Course. 'Live simply, Live'. Time for God- Time for Reflection. Every Thursday in March at 5.30 pm in Lyminge church**

### Services in March and April 2023

#### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March

9.30am Family Communion

#### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March

*No service in Postling*

#### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March

9.30 am. Informal service for Mothers' Day  
In the Churchyard

#### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March

8.30am Breakfast Service

#### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

6.30pm Quiet Service *Palm Sunday*

#### Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April *Good Friday*

12 noon. An Hour in front of the Cross

#### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April *Easter Day*

9.30am Holy Communion

#### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April

9.30am Morning Service

#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

8.30am Breakfast Service

#### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April

*No Service in Postling*

### **Postling Church Flower and Cleaning Rota**

March 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>

Jenny Haydock and Denise Burgess. Lent. Cleaning only

March 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>

Gill Dixon. Lent. Cleaning only

April 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>

Christine Hobbs

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April. As many people as possible to decorate the church for Easter. Time to be announced

April 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>

Annette Battersby and Jacqui Dixon

April 29<sup>th</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup>

Elisa Croucher and Pam Webster

Every five years, our Church must be inspected by an architect approved by Canterbury Diocese. For many years, this was George Denny, but, sadly, George passed away a few weeks ago. The Church Council have now appointed Katherine Rutherford as our visiting architect and Katherine will be making her inspection on 24<sup>th</sup> March. We are hoping that we will not receive too many shocks, as our beautiful church seems to be in good condition.

There will be the usual Craft Day from 10am-4pm in the Village Hall on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March and 1st April. All welcome.

The next Happy Hours are Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March (which Chris and Jane Reynolds have kindly offered to host) and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April.

(Please note that neither of these are on the usual fourth Fridays in the month). All profits go to the Folkestone Rainbow Centre that runs the Shepway Foodbank, Hythe Pantry and the Folkestone winter night shelter.

