



**St Botolph's Church**



**St Edmund's Church**



**April**

**4/26**

**Rectors Message**

Easter is the greatest of Christian festivals. The heart of the gospel is that Jesus defeated death. The resurrection is fundamental to Christian belief. If Jesus rose from the dead, then we too have hope by faith in Him. The Apostle Peter, in his first letter, put it like this:

*[God] has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you* (1 Peter 1v3-4)

This is surely the best inheritance anyone could ever hope for. And it can be ours by faith in Jesus Christ. May our Easter celebrations be full of hope and joy. Despite the issues in the world, nothing can take our hope from us. Praise God!

**Mark**

**NOTICES**

**Women's Ministry** - Our next ladies event is on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 9.30am in Church House, **“Help Me Pray”**, Coffee and Pastries provided. Further details and how to register can be found at:

[Help Me Pray \(25-Apr-2026\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

**Grief Café** – If you're experienced grief or bereavement and would like to meet with others who know what it's like, we invite you to join us in a safe, non-judgemental space to talk, listen or simply be quiet. Enjoy a cup of tea and a cake with friends particularly if your grief is recent or some time ago. We will meet on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April and then on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday each month at 2.00pm-3.30pm in Church House.

[Grief Cafe \(08-Apr-2026\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

**From Injury to Happiness: Living as a Christian** - Our very own Tony Webster has written an inspiring book telling his story of an accident that would strengthen his trust and faith in God. The forward is by Rev'd Mark Lucas and all revenue from this book will go to St Botolph's Church. Tony's book is available as a Kindle e-book for just 0.99p and can be purchased via Amazon website.

**SonRise Service Easter Sunday** – Join us on Easter Sunday at our SonRise Holy Communion Service at 6.15am followed by breakfast in Church House for those attending the service.

**St Botolph's Electoral Roll Update** - This year we need to update the Electoral Roll rather than a complete re-write, so if you know that you are already included, there is nothing to do, unless you have changed some detail, e.g. you got married and changed your surname or a change of address, a printed version of the 2025 Electoral Roll is on the server in church for you to check. **How to join** You need to be aged 16+ and have been baptised if you wish to be included this year, there are two ways to join. **(1) Complete one of the forms available in church** and leave in the box for collection. **(2) Complete an online form via the church website** following this link. <https://stbots.org.uk/electoral-roll>

**Telephone Numbers & Personal Details** – You are reminded that ChurchSuite details must not be given to anybody no matter who they are, this includes personal telephone numbers particularly to anybody outside of the Church Congregation unless explicit permission has been given. If in doubt refer them to Church Office via telephone 01536 414052.

Follow our website link to watch each Sunday 10.00am service on YouTube live:

<https://www.youtube.com/@StBots/featured>

**Services @ St Botolph's Church, Barton Seagrave & St Edmund's Church, Warkton during April**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**

11.00am Midweek Morning Prayer  
7.30pm Maundy Thursday Service

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April**

11.00am Midweek Morning Prayer

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April**

11.00am Midweek Holy Communion

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

11.00am Midweek Morning Prayer

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April**

11.00am Midweek Morning Prayer

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Good Friday**

9.15am Morning Prayer (Live Stream)  
2.00pm Service of Meditation at Warkton

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Sunday**

6.15am SonRise Holy Communion  
8.30am Holy Communion  
10.00am Morning Prayer (Live Stream)  
6.30pm Holy Communion  
12noon Holy Communion at St Edmund's  
5.00pm Evening Prayer at St Edmund's

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April**

10.00am Morning Prayer (Live Stream)  
6.30pm Evening Prayer  
12noon Holy Communion at St Edmund's

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April**

8.30am Holy Communion  
10.00am Morning Prayer (Live Stream)  
6.30pm Evening Prayer  
12noon Morning Prayer at St Edmund's

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April**

10.00am Morning Prayer (Live Stream)  
12noon Holy Communion at St Edmund's  
6.30pm Evening Prayer

**Important Dates in April**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> Refresh (Bible study for young mums) 9.30am in Church House

20<sup>th</sup> Men's Ministry 7.30pm in Church House

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> St Bot's Tots 9.30am in Church House

7<sup>th</sup> Prayer United 7.30pm in Church House

21<sup>st</sup> Coffee Morning at 10.30am Warkton St Edmund's Church

21<sup>st</sup> Prayer Meeting 7.30pm Hayfield Cross School

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> LINK (youth group) at 8.00pm in Church House

8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, & 29<sup>th</sup> Real Change Course 7.30pm in Church

8<sup>th</sup> Grief Café 2.00pm in Church House

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Coffee shop 10.30am in Church House

9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> Thursday Bible Club (for children in school years 3-6) 4.30pm in Church House

9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> 1Eighty (youth group) at 7.30pm in Church House

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> Who Let The Dads Out? (for men and their young children) at 9.00am in Church House

18<sup>th</sup> Saturday Hour of Prayer 9.00am in Church House

25<sup>th</sup> Help Me Pray – Women's Breakfast at 9.30am in Church House

**Special Dates for your Diary**

St Botolph's Fellowship Day Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September in Church House Garden

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The deadline for articles for inclusion in our May Newsletter is Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April.

Please email them to [jimroughton@stbots.church](mailto:jimroughton@stbots.church)

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