

THE A20 BENEFICE DIARY – JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2018

JANUARY 2018

January 2018	Time	Church / location	Service / Event
Friday 5 th JANUARY	6-7 pm	Brabourne	Warm up for the New Year with First Friday – drinks, nibbles and chat. All welcome. Hope to see you all there
Saturday 6 th	from 9.30am	Brabourne	Churchyard tidying. All help very welcome.
SUNDAY 7 th (1 st Sunday)	10.00am	Brabourne	Family Service – Tony Crouch The service is followed by refreshments
EPIPHANY	9.30 am	Mersham	Family Morning Praise – Liz Richardson
	5.00 pm – 6.30 pm	Mersham	Youth Group where youngsters from the Benefice can meet in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Games, discussion, free time, sharing ideas etc.
	11.00 am	Sellindge VILLAGE HALL	Celebration Praise A fresh style of informal service that starts with coffee and cake. ALL Welcome
	9.30 am	Smeeth	Family Communion – Rev. Tim Wilson
Monday 8 th	8.30 am	Mersham	Morning Prayer
Friday 12 th	2.30 pm	Smeeth Oak Room	Knit and Natter Please come along with your knitting, sewing or any portable hobby and enjoy a cuppa and a chat

SUNDAY 14th JANUARY (2 nd Sunday)	11.00 am	Brabourne	Holy Communion – Canon Paul Miller
	9.30 am	Mersham	Family Communion – Canon Paul Miller
	6.00 pm	Monks Horton	No service
	9.30 am	Smeeth	Christingle Service - Di Dawson
ETIPHANV 2			
Monday 15 th	8.30 am	Mersham	Morning Prayer
Friday 19 th	10.30 am – 12 noon	Southwood, Church Rd., Smeeth	Coffee Morning in aid of Smeeth Church, courtesy of Mrs Barbara Bamford. Coffee, tea, biscuits, books to browse and a great time to catch up with friends.
SUNDAY 21st (3 rd Sunday)	9.30 am	Brabourne	First of three talks on The Relevance of Christianity Today – speaker, Canon Noelle Hall. Coffee and refreshments.
	9.30 am	Mersham	Morning Praise – Alec Cripps
	11.00 am	Sellindge	Holy Communion – Canon Noelle Hall
	9.30 am	Smeeth	Family Communion – Canon Paul Miller
	10.00 am	Stowting	Family Service – Creative time of worship for children and adults of all ages – Philip Richter
ETIPHANV 3			
Monday 22 nd	8.30 am	Mersham	Morning Prayer
Friday 26 th	3-4.45 ish	Smeeth Oak Room	Fridays@3 - A short talk followed by a delicious tea. All welcome. For transport, please contact Di Dawson (01303 – 813398)
SUNDAY 28th (4 th Sunday)	11.00 am	Brabourne	Holy Communion – Canon Caroline Pinchbeck
	9.30 am	Mersham	Family Communion – Canon Caroline Pinchbeck
	6.00 pm	Monks Horton	Evensong – Philip Richter
	11.00 am	Sellindge	Party Praise (Lay led)
	9.30 am	Smeeth	Morning Praise – Di Dawson
	8.00 am	Stowting	Holy Communion – Canon Noelle Hall
ETIPHANV 4			
Monday 29 th	8.30 am	Mersham	Morning Prayer

FEBRUARY 2018

February 2018	Time	Church / location	Service / Event
Friday 2 nd FEBRUARY	6 – 7 pm	Brabourne	First Friday at Brabourne. An hour of warming drinks, nibbles and friendly chat kindly hosted by Sue and Bernard Farrant.
Saturday 3 rd	from 9.30 am	Brabourne	Churchyard tidying – all help very welcome.
Sunday 4 th (1 st Sunday)	10.00am	Brabourne	Family Service – Kathy Embleton-Smith; address by George Jessel, the High Sheriff of Kent. Please stay for coffee after the service
2 nd BEFORE LENT	9.30 am	Mersham	Family Morning Praise – Liz Richardson
	5.00 pm – 6.30 pm	Mersham	Youth Group where youngsters from the Benefice can meet in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Games, discussion, free time, sharing ideas etc.
	11.00 am	Sellindge Village Hall	Celebration Praise A fresh style of informal service which starts with coffee and cake. ALL Welcome
	9.30 am	Smeeth	Family Communion – Canon Noelle Hall
Monday 5 th	8.30 am	Mersham	Morning Prayer
Friday 9 th	10.30 am – 12 noon	Bankcroft, The Ridgeway, Smeeth	Coffee Morning in aid of Smeeth Church, courtesy of Jan and Mike Courage. In the quiet days after Christmas and New Year this is an excellent opportunity to catch up with friends over coffee and tea, explore reading material on sale, find something lovely on the Bring and Buy table, and generally have a delightful morning – and all for such a good cause. Please don't miss it.
	2.30 pm	Smeeth Oak Room	Knit and Natter Please come along with your knitting, sewing etc..... and enjoy a cuppa and a chat.

SUNDAY 11th FEBRUARY (2 nd Sunday) 1 st BEFORE LENT	11.00 am	Brabourne	Holy Communion – Rev. Tim Wilson
	9.30 am	Mersham	Family Communion – Rev. Tim Wilson
	3.00 pm	Monks Horton	No service
	9.30 am	Smeeth	Second Sunday Special - Di Dawson. Creative times of worship for children & adults – followed by refreshments.
Monday 12 th	8.30 am	Mersham	Morning Prayer
Wednesday 14 th ASH WEDNESDAY			SERVICES TO BE CONFIRMED
SUNDAY 18th (3 rd Sunday) LENT 1	10.00 am	Brabourne	2nd of three talks and discussion on the Relevance of Christianity Today – speaker, Mr Derek Goodwin, Reader at Great Chart. Coffee and refreshments.
	9.30 am	Mersham	Morning Praise – Georgia Reed
	11.00 am	Sellindge	Holy Communion – Canon Noelle Hall
	9.30 am	Smeeth	Family Communion – Canon Paul Miller
	10.00 am	Stowting	Family Service – Creative time of worship for children and adults of all ages – Philip Richter
Monday 19 th	8.30 am	Mersham	Morning Prayer
Friday 23 rd	3-4.45 ish	Smeeth Oak Room	Fridays@3 A short talk followed by a scrumptious tea For transport, please contact Di Dawson (01303 – 813398)
SUNDAY 25th (4 th Sunday) LENT 2	11.00 am	Brabourne	Holy Communion - Canon Caroline Pinchbeck
	9.30 am	Mersham	Family Communion - Canon Caroline Pinchbeck
	6.00 pm	Monks Horton	Evensong - Philip Richter
	11.00 am	Sellindge	Party Praise (Lay-led)
	9.30 am	Smeeth	Morning Praise – Di Dawson
	8.00 am	Stowting	Holy Communion – Canon Paul Miller