

# Together

in the churches of  
St Mary the Virgin Dodford,  
St Mary Everdon,  
St Peter & St Paul Weedon Bec



## September 2023

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## **Worship:**

|   |                                  |                                  |
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| Sunday Sept 3rd<br><i>Trinity 13</i>              | 9.30am Weedon<br>11.00am Dodford | Holy Communion<br>Holy Communion |
| Wednesday Sept 6 <sup>th</sup>                    | 10.30am Weedon                   | Holy Communion<br>and Bible Time |
| Sunday Sept 10th<br><i>Trinity 14</i>             | 9.30am Weedon<br>11.00am Everdon | Holy Communion<br>Holy Communion |
| Sunday Sept 17 <sup>th</sup><br><i>Trinity 15</i> | 9.30am Weedon<br>11.00am Dodford | Holy Communion<br>Holy Communion |
| Wednesday Sept 20 <sup>th</sup>                   | 10.30am Riverside Court          | Prayer and Praise                |
| Sunday Sept 24 <sup>th</sup><br><i>Trinity 16</i> | 9.30am Weedon<br>11.00am Everdon | Holy Communion<br>Harvest Praise |

Morning Prayer is said in Weedon church Mon-Sat at 9am.

## **Readings:**

|                       |                   |                   |
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| Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Romans 12. 9-end  | Mathew 16. 21-28  |
| Sept 10 <sup>th</sup> | Romans 13. 8-14   | Matthew 18.14-20  |
| Sept 17 <sup>th</sup> | Romans 14. 1-12   | Matthew 18. 21-35 |
| Sept 24 <sup>th</sup> | Jonah 3.10 – 4.11 | Matthew 20. 1-16  |

New beginnings of many sorts may happen at any time of the year. If you have any connection with anyone who is in the education system September is a particular time of new beginnings. The 'rising fives' are starting school for the first time. Moves to new classes and teachers. Those who will reach the grand age of 12 in the coming academic year will move on to big school. Many teenagers and young adults move on to courses to prepare them for their chosen career, to colleges and universities. New teachers who are taking up their first posts or a move to a new school.

Any new beginning has its accompanying excitement and fears. Particularly through those fears we have the confidence that Jesus is with us, he promised to be with us always. I believe it is also

important to remember that his greatest commandment was that we should love one another. All these moves can be supported by showing that love, ready to help with the difficult times. Then together we can give thanks for what those new beginnings offer to us.

## **Prayers:**

- For the appointment of a new bishop for this diocese.
- For those preparing to make new beginnings at school, college or university.
- Give thanks for all who have had refreshing holidays
- For all who are suffering through illness or disability.
- For all who are struggling with the rising cost of living.

## **PCC meetings:**

Weds Sept 6th      Everdon PCC at Everdon Hall      7pm  
Thurs Sept 7th      Dodford PCC at Village Hall      7.30pm  
Thurs Sept 14th      Weedon PCC at Chapter House      7pm

*Please pray for all those who have volunteered their time and expertise to administer your Church.*

## **Weddings**

Fri Sept 1st    Dodford    Wedding of Dan and Evie 1pm  
Sat Sept 9th    Everdon    Wedding of Matthew and Harriet 3pm

## **Social events and groups around the benefice:**

|   |                   |                                     |
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| Tues Sep 5 <sup>th</sup> 2-4pm                | Craft'n'Chat      | Weedon Chapter House                |
| Sat-Sun Sep 9 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> | Heritage Week-end | Weedon Church                       |
| Sat Sep 9 <sup>th</sup>                       | Ride 'n' Stride   | all churches                        |
| Tues Sep 12 <sup>th</sup> 2pm                 | Mothers' Union    | Weedon Church then<br>Chapter House |
| Weds Sept 13 <sup>th</sup> 7.30pm             | Deanery Synod     | Badby Church                        |
| Friday Sept 22 <sup>nd</sup> 7pm              | Quiz Night        | Weedon Chapter House                |
| Weds Sep 27 <sup>th</sup> 9.30                | Church cleaning   | Weedon Church                       |
| Thurs Sep 28 <sup>th</sup> 2.30               | Weedon Cinema     | Chapter House                       |
| Sat Sep 30 <sup>th</sup> 8.30am               | Men's breakfast   | Weedon Chapter House                |

## **Regular Events**

Bellringing practice is on Wednesday evenings at 7.45pm – newcomers welcome.

The monthly clean of Weedon Church happens on the last Wednesday of the month — at 9.30am. All help is gratefully accepted.

*Please check dates and times before attending – sometimes they are changed.*

## **Something to think about –**

*This month a prayer ...*

God of new beginnings,  
help us to let go  
and to turn our backs  
on the things that hold us back,  
and to hold on  
to those things  
that remind us of your love,  
and help us to follow in your way.  
Amen