

How to Contact the Rector

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Rev David is back on Monday 21st September

The 4 Churches Office- notice sheet contact

Laura Tudor, our administrator, works in the Dorothy Pluck room in St Mary's Fowlmere every Wednesday and Thursday 9am to 12pm. She can also be contacted by email office@thefourchurchbenefice.org or by telephone 07354 998440. Items for next weeks' Notice Sheet MUST be with Laura in the Church Office by 9am on Thursday morning.

If you would prefer to receive the Notice Sheet electronically, please email Laura in the office.

Help Needed

St Mary's Fowlmere PCC are looking for someone who could take on the project of investigating the possibility of removing the wooden platform under the tower of St Mary's. With the wooden platform in place there is a step up into the tower area and a step down into both the chancel and the Dorothy Pluck room. Some initial investigations have been made which suggests it could be possible, but we now need to consider what can and cannot be done, and how much it would cost. If you would like to consider this have a word with the rector or Lisa Turner.

People's Emergency Briefing on the climate and nature crisis.

A four village event: Thriplow, Fowlmere, Foxton and Shepreth.

Join us for a film screening and discussion, with light refreshments, on

Friday 16th October from 7:00 - 9:30 pm,

in Thriplow Village Hall. Book free seats at www.bit.ly/4hXdz1W

Sustainable Shepreth (Chair of the Steering Team)

and **South Cambs Climate and Nature Group lead**

**The 4 Churches are St Mary's Fowlmere, St Laurence's Foxton,
All Saints' Shepreth and St George's Thriplow**
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The 4 Churches

Fowlmere, Foxton, Shepreth and Thriplow



Notice Sheet for Sunday 20th September 2026

Holy Communion at All Saints' Shepreth

This service is being livestreamed and can be accessed at www.twitch.tv/fourchurchbenefice. The recording will be available straight away on the same site and will later be also made available on our YouTube channel. If you have any concerns about being included in the recording, please speak to the rector or the church warden.

Mobile Phones

Please make sure your phone is on **Airplane mode or switched off** during services. This will make the live streaming work better, as it will not be fighting for data.

Philippians 1:21-30

²¹ For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. ²² If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labour for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! ²³ I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; ²⁴ but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body. ²⁵ Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶ so that through my being with you again your boasting in Christ Jesus will abound on account of me.

²⁷ Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in the one Spirit, striving together as one for the faith of the gospel ²⁸ without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you. This is a sign to them that they will be destroyed, but that you will be saved—and that by God. ²⁹ For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him, ³⁰ since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have.

Matthew 20:1-16

20 "For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. 2 He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard.

3 "About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. 4 He told them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' 5 So they went.

“He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. 6 About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, ‘Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?’ 7 “‘Because no one has hired us,’ they answered.

“He said to them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard.’

8 “When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.’

9 “The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. 10 So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. 11 When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. 12 ‘These who were hired last worked only one hour,’ they said, ‘and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.’

13 “But he answered one of them, ‘I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn’t you agree to work for a denarius? 14 Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. 15 Don’t I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?’

16 “So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Collect

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives’ end
through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen.

Week commencing 21st September

Tuesday	9.00am	Morning Prayer ON ZOOM
	10.00am - 11.30am	Church Café at St Mary’s Fowlmere
Thursday	2.00pm	Funeral of Roland Mallett at St George’s Thriplow
Sunday	10.15am	Harvest All Age Service at St Laurence’s Foxton

Rev. David’s sister

Rev. David’s sister, Liz, died on Sunday. He would like to thank everyone for their prayers and support throughout her illness.

This week please pray for

Sheila Andren who has been in hospital

Dave Bryce (Rev David’s brother-in-law) - very ill in Glasgow

John de Jong (Esther’s dad) - coming to the end of his current cancer treatment.

Matt (Carmen’s twin brother) who has lost his home and possessions in the wild fires in Canada.

Joshua Paterson - receiving treatment for chronic hip pain.

For those known to us waiting for results of medical tests.

The family and friends of Roland Mallett, and Sue Watling who died recently.

For our Government, both national and local.

Bible Study Group

The bible study group will be starting a six week course of study on Prayer and Listening in September. This is a small group who have been meeting to enjoy fellowship and to study and pray together, meeting fortnightly for the last year. If you would like to know more or would be interested in joining the group then please call **John Rimmer** on **01763 209160**



Come join friends and neighbours at the Thank you to the Friends of Stream Wine & Cheese Evening



Saturday the 3rd of October, 7-9pm at 1 Hardman Road Foxton

To help out & be part of positive action to support village heritage, or find out more, come along & chat with us

Trustees raise funds to maintain this important Grade 1 listed historical village church for present and future Foxton residents. We do this through annual fund-raising activities and our highly valued **Friends of Stream**.

Anyone can be a Friend of Stream. An annual subscription suggested to start at only **£30/family £20/single**.

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St George’s Church

Harvest Teas

Thursday 8th October 2pm to 4pm

Thriplow Village Hall

Tombola -Stalls - Tea and Cake

Everybody welcome, pop in at any time