

**The Benefice of
All Saints, Great Oakley, St Mary, Wix,
All Saints, Wrabness, St Edmund, Tendring
St Leonard & St Mary, Beaumont-cum-Moze**
Benefice website: <https://www.mozebenefice.org.uk>

Worship

On Sunday 16th August the services across the Benefice will be as follows:

10:00 Zoom service
11:30 Holy Communion at Great Oakley
11.30 Holy Communion at Wrabness
18:00 Evening Prayer at Tendring

Sunday's Readings

Genesis 45:1-15; Isaiah 56:1, 6-8;
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32;
Matthew 15: (10-20) 21-28

Face Covering

Face covering are mandatory when attending church. These help us to protect each other from the risk of catching and transmitting Covid 19. Please remember to bring your face covering with you. Children under 11 and people with certain medical conditions do not need to wear one.

The Week Ahead

Morning & Evening Prayer

Weekday Morning and Night Prayer Prayers are being said by Revd Liz/Kirsty/Laura on all our behalf from home. If you have any requests, please contact us'

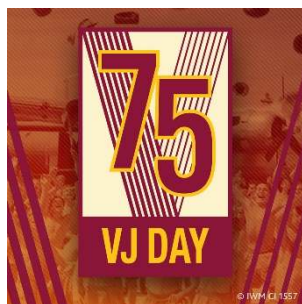
Tuesday: All Saints, Great Oakley is open from 1pm to 3pm

Wednesday: St Edmund, Tendring is open from 3pm to 4pm

Friday: All Saints, Wrabness is open from 10am to 12 noon.

Saturday: St Leonard & St Mary, Beaumont-cum-Moze is open from 3pm to 5pm

Sunday: St Mary, Wix is open from 2pm to 4pm.



15th August is the 75th Anniversary of Victory in Japan, the official ending of the Second World War in 1945. In some of our churches the bell will be rung 75 times. In Wix there will be a commemoration event at St Mary's, Church Wix to mark the 75th anniversary of VJ Day. There will be a two-minute silence at 11am followed by a Cry for Peace around the World at 11.10am. The church bell will then be rung 75 times. This will be happening nationwide at the same time. It will be a particularly poignant moment for the village of Wix, as we will be remembering Harry Bareham and George Mason. Harry Bareham was killed in the battle for Singapore in February 1942 and George Mason died whilst working on the Burma-Siam railway as a Prisoner of War in December 1942. Please join us outside the church at 10.55am.

News



On Friday 28th August 2020

At Beaumont Church From 12noon until 3pm

Choose from a selection of delicious cakes and savoury snacks

Traybakes to include: Lemon Drizzle, Choc Chip, Gingerbread, Carrot Cake, Orange & Almond Coffee & Walnut, Fruit topped sponge. Victoria Sponge, Cheese and Bacon Swirls, Quiche bacon and leek or vegetarian, Sausage rolls

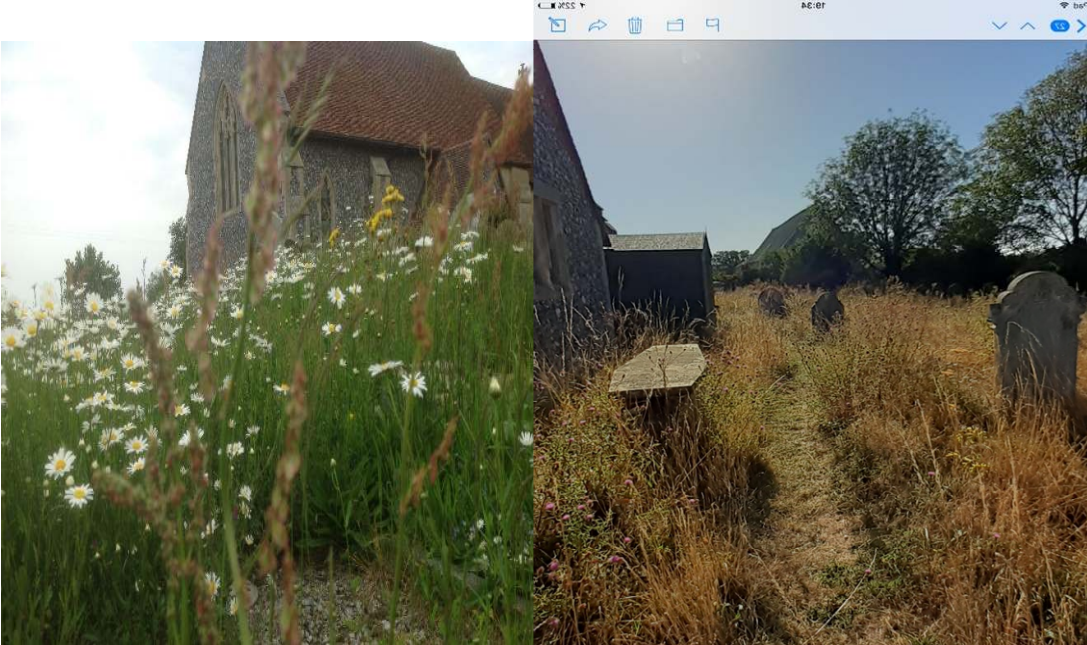
Cheese Scones, Flapjacks

In aid of Beaumont Church

**For more information or to pre-order a cake call Juliet on 07789051042
(answerphone if out)**

All Saints Churchyard Wrabness

Howard Ling writes:



One of the effects of the pandemic has been to the churchyard. During previous years we have let the oxeye daisies flower and then asked a group of young offenders to cut the churchyard. This year due to coronavirus they have been unable to help us and so the churchyard has gone uncut. This has meant that the knapweed flowered. There are over 30 different kinds of wildflowers in the churchyard knapweed now being the most obvious; it has a violet flower and is an incredible source of nectar and so a tremendous food supply. The churchyard now is alive with birds and insects all dependent upon this amazing resource. Over 10 species of butterfly and moth have been identified together with grasshoppers and many pollinating insects. All insect's species are in decline and our food supply depends upon pollinating insects.

Whereas we are maintaining the churchyard with the needs of people tending graves being most important we also have the conservation of our wildlife in mind. We aim to have well cut areas and cut paths so that any grave can be made accessible, a mix of tended and untended areas of order and disorder where wildlife can thrive. We employ a gardener to tend the paths and areas of short grass.

Feel free to visit our churchyard. We have many books on plants, insects, and birds to borrow if home-schooling. If you are interested call in to the church on Friday morning or contact Laura Garnham, Pauline Abbott, Sue White, or Howard Ling.

Sale of Pews: All Saints Great Oakley:

On Saturday 5 September, the PCC will be holding a sale of redundant church pews to raise funds for the repair and improvement works needed at All Saints Church. The pews were installed in the nave in 1909. Most remain in the church, but some rows have been removed to create new spaces at either end of the nave which can be used for concerts, meetings, and other events.

If you would like to own a piece of Great Oakley history, come along to the sale on 5 September. This will take place in the courtyard of The Old Rectory on The Avenue (turn left just past the Church). The pews will be priced at £200 each and you will be able to choose your pew on a first come, first served basis.

Further information from Lucy Robinson on 07468 716207

Essex Ride & Stride - Saturday 12th September

Although the official Friends of Essex Churches annual Ride & Stride fundraising event has been cancelled this year due to Covid-19 they are still encouraging churches to cycle more locally and raise funds. In Great Oakley, a team is still planning to cycle as we are raising funds for essential repairs and improvements to All Saints Church. The first phase of works, due to start this month, will install a new drain around the tower and repair damage caused by penetrating damp. We then plan a second phase of works in the new year to lay new floors at the west and east end of the nave and to install a compact kitchen at the back of the church.

Ride & Stride is a sponsored cycle ride or walk. Half of the money collected goes to Friends of Essex Churches and the other half to the church that you ride or stride for. If you would like to donate to All Saints Church Great Oakley the JustGiving page is here:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/lucy-robinson42>

If you would like to join a group cycling on the day, text Lucy Robinson on 07468 716207. (There will be a maximum of 6 in a group to comply with coronavirus guidance).

Giving Thanks for Harvest 2020

We will be giving thanks for Harvest and praying for our farmers this year slightly differently due to the Covid-19 restrictions. There will be a service held via zoom with all the favourite hymns at 9.30am on Sunday 20th September. If you do not usually join our Zoom services and would like to join in with this please email me: liz_barnes@sky.com you will be very welcome. Each of our churches will then have a

Harvest Service albeit without hymns (unless the government changes the rules by then)! Harvest Services in each church are as follows.

Tendring on Sunday 27th September at 9.30am

Wrabness on Sunday 27th September at 11am

Great Oakley on Sunday 4th October at 11am

Wix on Sunday 11th October at 11am

Beaumont-cum-Moze on Sunday 11th October at 11am

Forthcoming Weddings:

Most of our weddings have been cancelled this year because of Covid-19 but we so still have two in the benefice:

Friday 4th September at All Saints Great Oakley

Saturday 19th September at All Saints Wrabness

Church giving and finances

My sincere thanks to all those who are generously making donations to the churches in our benefice your continued support is very much appreciated.

Thankyou!

Other Resources

Chelmsford Cathedral. Services of Holy Communion: 10.30am livestreamed on Facebook <https://www.chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk/>

Radio 4 Sunday Worship at 08:10, Sunday 16th August: A service led by Rev Dr Stephen Wigley, chair of the Wales synod of the Methodist church, reflecting on what happens when our plans change and on the 75th anniversary of VJ Day.

Songs of Praise, at 13:15, Sunday 16th August: Claire McCollum visits the stunning Trentham Gardens in Staffordshire, discovering how the estate has been a place of Christian worship since the seventh century.

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