

All are welcome at any or all of the following Church Events:

July

- Wed 1st **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.
- Sat 4th **Burtle:** Pip & Jay Classic Car Run at Catcott Burtle Farm. Burtle TA7 8NE. Come and join us for a bacon butty (£5) to see the cars set off for a 60 mile round trip from 10.15am. Or come for afternoon tea (£5) to see them return from 2.30pm.
- Wed 8th **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.
- Sun 12th **Ashcott:** Posh Afternoon Teas. Sandwiches, savouries, cakes, scones and desserts served on the best china and all for £12! Need to book, as soon as possible please - 01458 210485.
- Wed 15th **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.
- Thu 16th **Catcott:** A public meeting at the Church to share the vision to make St Peter's Church more accessible. Details below.
- Sat 18th **Edington:** St. George's Coffee morning at Foxcott, Manor Road, Edington. 10.30-12noon. Bring & Buy. Raffle. £2 All welcome.
- Wed 22nd **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.
- Fri 24th **Catcott:** St. Peter's Coffee morning at Woodstock, Weares Lane. 10.30 to 12noon. Suggested donation £2.50 for tea/coffee and cake. Raffle
- Wed 29th **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.

August

- Wed 5th **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.
- Wed 12th **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.
- Wed 19th **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.

July 2026

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Hi folks,

We finally have a start date for the new benefice! Our launch service will be on Sunday September 13th at 11am at All Saints Church in Ashcott. Many of us have expressed our unease about the necessity of this and the process along the way; but it is worth realising that many of these feelings are shared by those in Moorlinch and Stawell - and it is worse for them, because in joining us, they leave their friends in Middlezoy and Othery. I have been greatly impressed by the desire and willingness of members of all eight churches to leave our unease behind and to embrace our future as a group of eight churches.

I was intrigued to find that an early Christian symbol was a circle with eight spokes (shown here)! In the first three centuries of the church, Christians were often persecuted. They therefore needed to develop secret symbols so that other Christians would know, for example, that a particular house was a meeting place. Thus, the Greek word ΙΧΘΥΣ meaning 'fish' is also an acronym for the words "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Saviour". If you lay the Greek characters on top of each other, you a circle with eight spokes. If that sounds obscure - that was the intention!



Some ancient Christian symbols.

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Simon Ray, Unsplash

As we become a group of eight churches, our deepest need is to know more of "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Saviour" - who is at the heart of all we do.

Every blessing,
Rich Tweedy
vicar@poldenwheel.co.uk

What's
the
latest?

St Peter's Church Access Project Thursday 16th July

Your opinion counts. A public meeting at the Church to share the vision to make St Peter's Church more accessible. Come and meet the Church Architect

and Diocese Buildings Adviser and see current plans. We need your feedback.
7pm. Refreshments will be available. All welcome.

Benefice Prayer Meetings in July

An opportunity to seek God's vision for our new benefice. We meet at 10am for half an hour.

7th - St Mary's, Shapwick
14th - St Mary's, Moorlinch
21st - All Saints, Ashcott
28th - St Philip & St James, Burtle
August 4th - St George's, Edington

Afternoon Teas

IN AID OF ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, ASHCOTT



Sunday 12th July
3-5pm in Ashcott Village Hall



POSH AFTERNOON TEA

*with the best china and cake stands.
Sandwiches, savouries, scones and cream,
cakes and dessert – plus all the
tea/coffee you can drink!*



Cost £12 (children half price)

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

Please contact Freda on 210485 to book your table

Church Services in the Polden Wheel

Sunday 5th July - Trinity 5 (Green)

9.30 *Catcott* - Holy Communion (BCP)

11.00 *Chilton Polden* - Informal Worship

Sunday 12th July - Trinity 6 (Green)

9.30 *Burtle* - Holy Communion

11.00 *Ashcott* - Informal Worship **

6.30 *Edington* - Holy Communion

Sunday 19th July - Trinity 7 (Green)

8.30 *Chilton Polden* - Holy Communion (please note the early time)

10.00 *Shapwick* - Café Church

Sunday 26th July - Trinity 8 (Green)

9.30 *Shapwick* - Holy Communion

11.00 *Burtle* - Informal Worship **

6.30 *Ashcott* - Holy Communion

Sunday 2nd August - Trinity 9 (Green)

9.30 *Catcott* - Holy Communion (BCP)

11.00 *Chilton Polden* - Informal Worship

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Sunday Readings for July:

5th July: Romans 7.15-25a; Matthew 11.16-19,25-end

12th July: Romans 8.1-11; Matthew 13.1-9,18-23

19th July: Romans 8.12-25; Matthew 13.24-30,36-43

26th July: Romans 8.26-end; Matthew 13.31-33,44-52

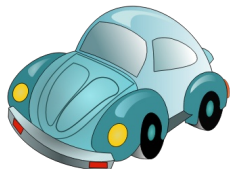
A Quiet Service



Tuesday 21st July
7pm at St Peter's
Church Catcott

A space for
contemplative
reflection for half
an hour.

Pip & Jay Classic Car Run



Catcott Burtle Farm.

Burtle TA7 8NE.

Come and join us for a bacon butty (£5) to see the cars set off for a 60 mile round trip from 10.15am. Or come for afternoon tea (£5) to see them return from 2.30pm.

Church Contacts

Vicar:

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St Peter's, Catcott:

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St George's, Edington:

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Vacant

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Vacant

Midweek Holy Communion



Wednesday
22nd July at 10am
St George's Church
Edington

All are welcome.