

Weekly News sheet for The Heathland Parishes, we are the churches of:

All Saints, Great Braxted

St Luke, Tolleshunt Knights with Tiptree

St Mary, Layer Breton with Birch

St Mary, Layer Marney

All Saints, Inworth

All Saints, Messing

To be a transforming presence in our community, open and welcoming to all and serving all



Sunday 12th April 2026
Easter 2

Today's Services & Readings

**Acts 2: 14a, 22-32*; Psalm 16;
1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-end**



St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Holy Communion
with refreshments after the service

Revd Michael Hatchett

St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30 am Parish Communion
Hymns 703, 600, 349, 401, 683, 798

*Revd Christine Newmarch
& Sue Lyne*

All Saints', Messing

11.15 am Morning Worship *Anne Wild*

St Mary, Layer Breton with Birch

12 noon Baptism of Sophie Jane Hennessey
Led by Revd Christine Newmarch

Sunday Morning Resources you can find sermons, readings & intercessions for this week on the Homepage of our website: thurstablewinstreechurches.org

Please see over page for events & weekly notices for this week

Sunday 19th April 2026
Easter 3

St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Morning Prayer *Graham Howlett*

St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30 am Parish Communion *Revd Liz Barnes
& Harold Toms*

All Saints', Inworth

11.15 am Holy Communion *Revd Michael Hatchett*
12.15 pm APCM & AMP following the 11.15 am service

Rogation Sunday Walk & Service, Diary Date: Sunday 10th May
Beginning at St John the Baptist Layer de la Haye, via St Mary Layer Breton to St Mary Layer Marney
more details soon!

Find out about the weekday opening times of our Heathland Churches for visiting & private prayer from our website: thurstablewinstreechurches.org

To Receive the Weekly News Sheet by E-mail please contact Christine Hall the Team Administrator: thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com If you are on the mailing list and no longer wish to receive the news sheet, please contact Christine.

Regular Diary Dates for this week, Mon 13th to Saturday 18th April

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| Mon, 9.15 am | Parent & Toddlers, St Luke's Church Hall |
| Wed, 7.30 pm | Choir Practice, at St Luke's |
| Thu, 9 am | Morning Prayer, at St Luke's Tiptree |
| Thu, 11.30 am | Funeral of Wendy Moore, at Layer Marney |
| Thu, 10 am | Holy Communion at St Luke's |
| Thu, 2-4 pm | Tiptree Foodbank open at the URC, Chapel Road |
| Thu, 7.30 pm | St Luke's Ladies Group, meet in the hall. Mandy and Baloo, the Police Dog (now retired) |
| Sat, 10 am | Farleigh Coffee Morning, St Luke's Church Hall with a farewell talk by 'The Bag Lady', Sheila. |

Please note: No Bible Study on Zoom until Monday 27th April, 7.30 pm

Diary Dates & News

Services & Events elsewhere this Sunday, 12th April, 10.30 am Holy Communion at Layer de la Haye, with Revd Michael Hatchett & 11 am All-age Worship at Copford 'Resurrection Stories' On Thursdays everyone is welcome to join Layer de la Haye for Morning Prayer at 9.15 am.

Services at All Saints', Great Braxted: we are delighted that our services resumed on Easter Day. Our next service is at 11.15 am Sunday 3rd May and on every first Sunday of the month up to and including October.

The Bishop of Chelmsford's Lent Appeal 2026, donations are open until 1st July – raising funds to support climate resilience in our linked dioceses in Kenya. To contribute see the Diocesan Website: www.chelmsford.anglican.org/about-us/our-faith-in-action/the-bishop-of-chelmsfords-lent-appeal-2026

Tiptree Food Bank this week we are in urgent need of donations of bottles of squash, tinned meat, tea bags, bathroom cleaner, kitchen cleaner, ordinary biscuits, long-grain rice, tinned fish, tinned fruit. **These may be taken to:** the donation tub at ASDA, placed in the yellow box inside St Luke's Church (open 9 am to 4 pm daily) & the Foodbank at the United Reformed Church, Thursdays 2-4 pm. *Thank you for your generosity; it makes such a difference to local people in need and is much appreciated.*



News, Reminders & Looking Ahead

APCM & AMP Dates in the Heathland Parishes

Sunday 19th April, Inworth 12.15 pm in the church, *follows 11.15 am service*
Thursday 30th April, Messing 7.30 pm (preceded by the PCC meeting, 7 pm)

Tuesday 5th May, Layer Breton with Birch at 2pm

Sunday 17th May, Tiptree & Great Braxted at 11 am

Tuesday 19th May, Layer Marney APCM, AMP & PCC at 7.30pm in the church

Please send your APCM reports for St Luke's & Gt Braxted to me to arrive no later than Thursday 23rd April. thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com

Thank you, Christine Hall.

Application forms for St Luke's APCM are now available (Electoral Roll, PCC, Churchwarden & Deanery Synod) from Ian Calvert on Sundays and Christine Hall during the week thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com

Line Dance Afternoon (FoSL), led by Caroline in St Luke's Church Hall on Saturday 25th April, 2 to 4 pm. **PLEASE NOTE CORRECTED DATE** If you haven't tried it before, this is a great opportunity! The cost is £7 including refreshments: tea/Coffee, sausage roll & cake. Contact Sandra for your tickets foslbookings@gmail.com Donations for the raffle and for our Christmas bottle Tombola always welcome – contact Sandra, or Christine Hall.

Tiptree Youth Project, have a look at our exciting new website and see what we provide for young people locally: www.tiptreeyp.org/ Also please note our Youth Worker Andy Butt has a new email address: Andy@tiptreeYP.org

Mission Two of the Mighty Convoy another trip to Ukraine is planned this month by Andrew from Messing Church his neighbour Marco. More funds and support are needed. If you would like to donate please, please see: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/essex-ukraine-mighty-convoy>

Get in Touch – our Contact details:

While we are in vacancy please contact Revd Liz Barnes, Associate Priest -
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Days of work: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, available for phone enquiries from 10 am to 12.30 pm on the mobile: 07421 078981 (with voicemail). **Available in St Luke's Church Office on Thursday this week from 10 am to 12.30 pm.** The office number is 01621 819557 (with voicemail).

St Luke's Hall bookings: Gareth Williams, 01621 818069 hall.stlukestiptree@btinternet.com



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