

## The Downland Benefice

*Holy Trinity Poynings, St Andrew's, Edburton  
St John the Evangelist, Newtimber  
The Transfiguration, Pyecombe*  
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### April 2017

**There is a united Benefice service every Sunday morning at 10 am in one of our churches.**

On most Sundays, this is a service of Holy Communion. On the first Sunday of each month, it is an all age worship service, followed at 11.15 am by a short Communion service.

**Location** varies according to the pattern below:

First Sunday (2 <sup>nd</sup> April)	<b>Poynings</b>
Second Sunday (9 <sup>th</sup> April: <b>Palm Sunday</b> )	<b>Newtimber</b>
Third Sunday (16 <sup>th</sup> April: <b>Easter Day</b> )	<b>Poynings</b>
Fourth Sunday (23 <sup>rd</sup> April)	<b>Pyecombe</b>
Fifth Sunday (30 <sup>th</sup> April)	<b>Newtimber</b>

**There is also a Benefice Evening Service at 6pm every second Sunday (9<sup>th</sup> April) at Pyecombe.**

In addition, at **Edburton Church** there is:

A service of Family Communion every **first and third Sunday at 11 am.** (2<sup>nd</sup> April and 16<sup>th</sup> April: **Easter Day**)

**Morning and Evening Prayer each week**

**Mondays:** Edburton at 6 pm **Tuesdays:** Newtimber at 5pm  
**Wednesdays:** Poynings at 9 am; Pyecombe at 6 pm

**Lent Study Group 'Hear the Word of the Lord'**

Wednesdays, 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2.30-4pm or 8 – 9.30 pm

## Evergreens (for the over 60's)

Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 3.30 – 5 pm at The Paddock, Fulking  
(home of Ian and Jill Malby)

### Baptisms

Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Florence Gibb	Poynings
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Jacob Brookes	Poynings

### Weddings

Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Darren Harris and Olivia Vines	Poynings
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Paul McGarry & Sophie Gibbs	Poynings
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> April	James Bryan & Rosie Holman-Nicholas	Pyecombe

### Other special events and dates this month

- Poynings Cricket Club Quiz will be on Sat 1<sup>st</sup> April at 7pm for 7.30pm
- Messy Church meets on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April, at 4.30pm

#### April is the month for our Annual meetings, which are:

- ❖ Edburton Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 12.15pm, in church
- ❖ Newtimber Tues 4<sup>th</sup> April at 5.30pm, in church
- ❖ Pyecombe Weds 5<sup>th</sup> April at 5pm, in church
- ❖ Poynings, Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm, Village Hall

#### In Holy Week, here are special services for:

- ❖ Maundy Thursday (13<sup>th</sup> April) – Poynings at 7.30pm
- ❖ Good Friday (14<sup>th</sup> April) – Pyecombe at 12 noon.

#### And on Easter Day, do celebrate either at times overleaf or:

- ❖ 8am Holy Communion at Newtimber
- ❖ 11.30am Easter Egg hunt and children's service at Pyecombe

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