

The Downland Benefice

Holy Trinity, Poynings, St Andrew's, Edburton

St John the Evangelist, Newtimber

The Transfiguration, Pyecombe

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October 2016

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 nd October, Harvest)	Poynings
Second Sunday	(9 th October)	Newtimber
Third Sunday	(16 th October)	Poynings
Fourth Sunday	(23 rd October)	Pyecombe
Fifth Sunday	(30 th October)	Newtimber

There is also a Benefice Evening Service at 6pm every second Sunday (9th October: Harvest) at Pyecombe.

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

A service of Family Communion every **first** and **third** Sunday at **11 am** (2nd and 16th October: Harvest)

Morning and Evening Prayer each week

Mondays: Edburton at 6 pm; **Tuesdays:** Newtimber at 5 pm

Wednesdays: Poynings at 9 am; Pyecombe at 6 pm

Evergreens (for the over 60's)

Monday, 3rd October, 3.30 – 5 pm at Customary Cottage, Fulking
(with thanks to Anna and Richard Ball and Tim Stace)

Baptism

Sunday 2nd October Harriet Rose Emmerson Poynings

Funerals

Monday 3rd October Evelyn Barber Poynings

Monday 17th October Doris Norris Woodvale

Confirmation

To be held at 6 pm on Sunday 16th October at the church of St Edward the Confessor, Burgess Hill. Please support our candidates with your presence and/ or your prayers:

James Andrews

Sam Rentz

Chris Agg

Peggy Mathieson

Other special events and dates this month

- **Concert** by the Vivace Choir in Newtimber Church at 7.30pm on Saturday 8th October. Proceeds to the Church: tickets in advance £10 (£5 under 18s) from Lucy, Gill or Stephanie – see posters in churches for contact details.
- October is the month for most of our **Harvest services**: 2nd October at Poynings; 9th October at Pyecombe in the evening; 16th October at Edburton, followed by a Harvest picnic. Gifts of produce welcome at all services – no eggs or jam, please.
- **Messy Church** this month will be on Friday 21st October: 4.30pm in the Hall at Fulking: all welcome.
- **Study Groups** continue at The Rectory on Wednesdays: 5th (no meeting on 12th October) 19th, 26th October and 2nd November. 2.30 – 4pm or 8 - 9.30pm, whichever suits!
- On October 30th at 6pm, we have our annual **All Souls Service** at Poynings, when we remember by name those who have died – either recently or longer ago.

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