

The Downland Benefice

*Holy Trinity, Poynings, St Andrew's, Edburton
St John the Evangelist, Newtimber
The Transfiguration, Pyecombe
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September 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	(4 th September)	Poynings
Second Sunday	(11 th September: Harvest)	Newtimber
Third Sunday	(18 th September)	Poynings
Fourth Sunday	(25 th September)	Pyecombe

There is also a Benefice Evening Service at 6pm every second Sunday (11th September) at Pyecombe.

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

A service of Family Communion every **first** and **third** Sunday at **11 am**. (4th and 18th September)

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, 5th September, 3.30 – 5 pm at Dyke Farm House, Poynings
(home of John and Nigs Digby)

Wedding

Saturday 17th September Nick Hales and Lucy Carnell
Edburton

Baptism

Sunday 18th September James Harry Andrews Poynings

Special events and dates this month

- Edburton PCC will meet on Thursday 1st September.
- Over the weekend of 2nd – 4th September we are holding a new 'Pyecombe Music and Arts Festival' with events at the Church and at Wayfield Park Farm Shop, and featuring Herbie Flowers and Friends. For details contact 07736 806851 or look on the village website at www.pyecombe.org.uk. It will all be rounded off with a simple medieval-style service with music at 6 pm (no charge), followed by refreshments.
- The gardens at Pangdean will be open in memory of Sue Currie on Weds 7th September at 11 am followed by a light lunch – all are welcome, but please let Ian Currie know in advance on 01273 841670 if you can come.
- There is a meeting to launch our next Poynings Pantomime (Beauty and the Beast) at the Royal Oak in Poynings on Thursday 8th September at 8pm. Come along if you are interested in helping or taking part.
- Messy Church this month will be on Friday 16th Sept: 4.30pm in the Hall at Fulking: helpers and children most welcome.
- **Study Groups** will re-start on 21st September at The Rectory: Wednesdays 21st, 28th September; 5th, 19th, 26th October and 2nd November. 2.30 – 4pm or 8 - 9.30pm, whichever suits!
- Concert in Newtimber Church on the evening of Saturday 24th Sept in aid of the Church and 'Voices in Exile'.
- Benefice Council meets on Monday 26th September at 7.30pm
- 7pm on Friday 30th Sept: Harvest Supper at Edburton Church: call Roy on 07549013911 for tickets– all welcome.

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