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<https://thecanonrybenefice.org.uk/about-the-canonry-benefice/safeguarding-statement/>

Confirmation

<https://www.churchofengland.org/life-events/confirmations/confirmation-faqs>

If you would like to know more about getting confirmed please contact Rev Caroline canonryvicar@gmail.com

Interested in being a lay reader?

More information on Recognised Lay Worship Leading ministry can be found here (apply by 24th August)

<https://www.canterburydiocese.org/ministry/recognising-lay-ministry/worship/>

Could you be an Eco-church champion? can you get us to think about what it is to be good stewards of the environment as Church. Let Rev Caroline know! Eco Champions are volunteers who play a valuable role in guiding churches towards their eco objectives and act as a point of contact for churches seeking advice on environmental matters.

<https://www.canterburydiocese.org/mission/caring-for-creation/what-are-we-doing-as-a-diocese>

Ash with Westmarsh Parish Mag. Available from Co-op and Poparound shops in Ash and St Nicholas Church. To subscribe and have delivery please phone or email the editor Rebecca Smith on 07743 605873 rebeccasmith.ash@gmail.com

See our leaflet about volunteering with us!

There are so many ways to get involved. Also share your ideas <https://thecanonrybenefice.org.uk/get-involved/join-a-team/>

Together: Join a faith community that embraces all, advocating for the full inclusion of everyone in our communities, ranging from highlighting racial injustice and disability advocacy to addressing class inequality and campaigning for the full participation of LGBTQIA+ people. Go to www.together.org.uk

Bishop Rose is delighted to announce the appointment of **Fr. Denis Hartley as LGBTQI+ Adviser.** Denis writes: "I look forward to working with Bishop Rose and the Diocesan staff as LGBTQI+ Adviser. "I see the focus of the role as supporting parishes and clergy to reach out to the LGBT community with words of comfort and a place at the table. That despite recent setbacks, LGBT folk are still our beloved and respected brothers, sisters, and friends." Bishop Rose said, "I am delighted that Denis has accepted this role, Denis has a real passion for supporting diversity and inclusion, this is needed especially at a time of negative national debate."

To contact Fr Denis, please email LGBTQI+adviser@diocant.org



The Churches within the Canonry Benefice

(Ash, Goodnestone, Chillenden, Nonington, Elmstone, Preston, and Stourmouth)

**Sunday 4th July
5th Sunday after Trinity**

Readings

Romans 7.15-25a
Matthew 11.16-19, 25-end

Prayer

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gift of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THIS SUNDAY 5th July

Whole Benefice Service 10.30am, St Nicholas, Ash to celebrate the Ordination of Reverend Anne Talbert

NEXT SUNDAY 12TH JULY

Holy Communion, 9am, All Saints, Chillenden
Breakfast Church, 9.30am, St Mary's, Nonington
Holy Communion, 10.30am, St Nicholas, Ash (Sparks)
Family Worship, 10.30am, St Mildred's, Preston

Deal Foodbank donations: Ash Church

We are proud to be a donation point- the donation bin is through the main glass doors. Donations are collected by Deal Foodbank to distribute to those who come to them in need.

Ash Village Warm Space: A Warm FREE space to all in our community each **Thursday 11am- 2pm**. There will be a friendly welcome, free tea/coffee and cake/rolls. If you are able to help or can drop in bread, milk, cakes etc please speak to Sarah Pigott or sign up <https://mealtrain.com/8nrk01>

Home Groups

The evening Home Group next is 7th July with a break in August and restarting early September. Contact Andrew & Hilary 07510 358709. **The morning Home Group** is on Tuesdays 9.30 am until 11am. We will start up again in September. Dates to be confirmed. Contact Reverend Barbara for information.

Wednesday Morning Prayer Group: 10am every Wednesday at The Vicarage. All welcome.

Breakfast!

Women's Breakfast 3rd Sat of each month 9-10am at The Vicarage in Ash. **NEXT 18th July**

Bacon Buddies: Men's group last Saturday in the month 9am, Staple. Dan 07753743020
NEXT 25th July.

Congratulations to Reverend Anne Talbert

We are delighted to all be together today to celebrate a truly special milestone in Anne's journey of faith and service, following her ordination on Saturday 4th July.

Anne, may God bless you abundantly as you begin your ministry, granting you wisdom, strength, humility, and joy in all that you do.

May your vocation be a source of inspiration to many, and may you always find comfort and guidance in your journey.

With heartfelt congratulations and every blessing for the years ahead.

"The Lord bless you and keep you."
(Numbers 6:24)

Confirmation: Canterbury Cathedral is hold a confirmation service on Saturday 7th November 2026. If you would like to know more about welcoming God through Jesus Christ more fully into your life, please contact Reverend Caroline. <https://www.churchofengland.org/life-events/confirmations/confirmation-faqs>

Community Events:

Chillenden Pet Service: 26th July 3pm
Summer Picnic: 9th August, 1pm, The Vicarage
Messy Church Park Playdate: date in August
TBC, for children and their parents/carers
Happy Hours: 6.30pm
1st Friday of the month (Elmstone)
3rd Friday of the month (Nonington)

All Saints, Chillenden

www.chillenden.org.uk

Fundraiser: "100 club" lottery scheme.
Monthly draw. email 100club@chillenden.org.uk
Date for the diary: Pet Service 26th July 3pm.

St Mary's Nonington

Coffeestop Baptist Chapel Thursdays 10-12
Happy Hour: Monthly (3rd Fri) 6.30pm
Compline: Monthly Zoom, contact churchwarden
Seekers: Please check with churchwarden

Elmstone Church, St Mildred's Preston & All Saints, Stourmouth**A STROLL ALONG THE NAILBOURNE VALLEY****An illustrated talk by PETER EWART**

Wednesday July 8th at 7.30: Tickets on the door £8.00 includes wine & nibbles
Happy Hour Elmstone: 1st Friday of month 6.30pm

Holy Cross, Goodnestone**Next music event: Sunday June 28th 6pm**

Masterpieces for Trumpet and Organ. Christopher Deacon -Trumpet, Benedict Preece-Organ. Tickets £15 www.goodnestonemusic.com

Friday July 17th 7pm: Ringlemere Clarinet Trio Nathan Winters (clarinet), Keren Starer-Shaw (cello) and Helen Crayford (piano). Tickets £12 pp.

Rochester Cathedral Evensong: 19th Sept. The Choir will be singing, please do come along & support them.

St Nicholas' Church, Ash

Open Day -Thank you to all you supported our event and to our wonderful volunteers. It was a lovely, relaxed afternoon.

Ash Proms Night: Thanet Light Orchestra: Saturday 27th June, 7.30pm. £10pp, children free. Tickets on the door or from Poparound, Ash. Or link on posters.

Churches are open for private prayer or to cool off in this weather!

Ash, Goodnestone, Nonington: daily, daylight hours
Chillenden: weekends 10am-5pm
(Elmstone, Preston and Stourmouth: on request)