

All are welcome at any or all of the following Church Events: September

Wed 2nd **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.
Wed 9th **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.

Sunday 13th September at All Saints Church, Ashcott at 11am
A service of celebration to mark the beginning of the new
benefice - 'The United Polden Churches'.
Followed by a 'Bring and Share' lunch for all.

Wed 16th **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.
Sat 19th **Edington:** St. George's Coffee morning at Little Orchard, The Walls, Edington. 10.30-12noon. Bring & Buy. Raffle. £2 All welcome.
Sat 19th **Catcott:** Men's Breakfast at the Crown Inn. 8.45am. Speaker - Tony Hall (from Meare Community Church). Full cooked breakfast with tea, coffee and toast. £10. **Contact Rich to book a place.**
Wed 23rd **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.
Fri 18th **Catcott:** St. Peter's Coffee morning at Hill House, Manor Road. 10.30 to 12noon. Suggested donation £2.50 for tea/coffee and cake. Raffle
Wed 30th **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.

October

Sat 3rd **Catcott:** 'Soup and a Pud' A light Harvest lunch with a choice of soups and puds, to suit all tastes and dietary requirements, at the village hall, Edington. 12 till 2pm with food served at 12.30pm. Tickets £7.50. **Booking essential.** Contact Sandra 07946 415740.
Sun 4th **Catcott:** Harvest Collection for Bridgwater Foodbank. Please bring items to St Peter's Church between 11am and 4pm.
Wed 7th **Ashcott:** Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome.
Sat 10th **Edington:** St. George's Harvest Lunch 12.30 at the Church. Please contact Rosie for more details and to book your place.
Sun 11th **Ashcott:** Harvest Bring and Share lunch in the Church after the 11am Harvest Informal Service.

The Friends of St Peter's were delighted by the attendance at our Consultation evening on 16th July, and by the ideas and suggestions shared, regarding our plans to build an extension to the church. All comments, positive and negative are appreciated and will be fully considered.
Thank you once more to everyone who took the trouble to attend or to comment during the consultation period.

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September 2026



Hi folks,

Any new project brings with it a set of hopes and fears - combined with mixed feelings about what's been left behind. It's true for someone starting a new job, or a family moving to a new area; it's equally true for a new group of churches - as it will be when the Polden Wheel six join with those in Moorlinch and Stawell to become the United Polden Churches.

So how do we cope with this complex mix of emotions that we all carry to a greater or lesser extent?

- It's important to recognise the regrets that we may have about leaving behind the old arrangements. This will be particularly true for those in Moorlinch and Stawell, having their previous benefice (with Middlezoy and Othery) split in half.
- Likewise, we should recognise our fears and anxieties for the future. By facing up to them, we have more chance of overcoming them.
- In so doing, we become free to hope for the future: in particular, for our eight churches to become ready to embrace change, and fit for future growth.

As churches, our hope is not primarily in our own strength - but in the power of God manifested through his Holy Spirit. We may be no more than jars of clay (to use a New Testament image - 2 Cor 4:7) but we hold the outstandingly good news of Jesus Christ, the risen son of God. The treasure is not in the clay, but what the jar contains. The more we grow in our faith in Jesus, the more will our jars of clay hold great treasure.

Every blessing,
Rich Tweedy
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Benefice Prayer Meetings in September

An opportunity to seek God's vision for our new benefice. We meet at 10am for half an hour.

1st - St. Francis, Stawell
8th - All Saints, Ashcott
15th - St Mary's, Moorlinch
22nd - St Philip & St James, Burtle
29th - TBD

Men's breakfast

Saturday 19th September
8.45am at
The Crown Inn, Catcott.



Full cooked breakfast, with tea, coffee & toast. £10.
The speaker - Tony Hall (from Meare Community Church).

Contact Rich to book a place.

Church Services in the Polden Wheel

Sunday 6th September Trinity 14 (Green)

9.30 Catcott - Holy Communion (BCP)
11.00 Chilton Polden - Informal Worship

Sunday 13th September Trinity 15 (Green)

11.00 Ashcott - Benefice Holy Communion **
A Service to Launch the new Benefice, followed by a 'Bring and Share Lunch'

Saturday 19th September

5.00 Catcott - Prayers for Peace



Sunday 20th September Trinity 16 (Green)

10.00 Shapwick - Café Church
10.30 Chilton Polden - Holy Communion
6.30 Edington - Holy Communion

Sunday 27th September Trinity 17 (Green)

9.30 Shapwick - Holy Communion
9.30 Stawell - Holy Communion
10.00 Moorlinch - Team Service
11.00 Burtle - Harvest Informal Worship **
6.30 Ashcott - Holy Communion

Sunday 4th October Trinity 18 (Green)

9.30 Catcott - Harvest Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00 Moorlinch - Team Service - Harvest Service
11.00 Chilton Polden - Harvest Informal Worship **

** With Polden Praise

Sunday Readings for September:

6th September: Romans 13.8-14 Matthew 18.15-20
13th September: Romans 14.1-12 Matthew 18.21-35
20th September: Philippians 1.21-30 Matthew 20.1-16
27th September: Philippians 2.1-13 Matthew 21.23-32
6th October: Philippians 3.4b-14 Matthew 21.33-46

A Quiet Service



Tuesday 15th Sept
7pm at St Peter's Church Catcott

A space for contemplative reflection for half an hour.

Midweek Holy Communion



Wednesday
23rd Sept at 10am
St George's Church Edington

All are welcome.

Marking Harvest

Details of Harvest gatherings can be found in the events list.

There are some Harvest Services in September and others will follow in October.



We will be collecting donations and gifts at all Harvest services for the Bridgwater Foodbank

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