

OCTOBER 2021

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SPEAKING TO AND FOR ALL OUR CHURCHES

Hi folks,

There's been an upsurge of interest in pilgrimage in recent years, both nationally and further afield. It's a theme that resonates with this area, because pilgrimage to Glastonbury Abbey was a prominent feature of spiritual life in the mediaeval era.

I've therefore been developing (with the assistance of others in the Polden Wheel) a walking guide for a Pilgrim Path, which goes through our six villages and then finishes at the Abbey. There are many opportunities for reflection on the way – which is part of what makes it a pilgrimage rather than just a nice walk.



The full walk is ten miles, which is possible within a day, complete with stops along the way for quiet reflection. Alternatively it could be split in the middle, at Ashcott Church.

The photos here are a reminder that, on any walk, you can never be quite sure what you will see. I saw the fox one day in a field near Edington – it was surprisingly willing to sit and be photographed. The roe deer was near the southern edge of the Ham Wall nature reserve.

Every blessing,

Rich Tweedy vicar@poldenwheel.co.uk



Time to seek out your shoe boxes for the **Christmas shoe box appeal** to give children a present at Christmas. Filled boxes to **Cafe Burtle** on **November 13th**, or call Rosemary on 01278 722321.

www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child

Men's breakfast:

Sat 16 October 8:45am

At the Crown Inn, Catcott.

The speaker will be Stephen Lynas.



Sat 13 November 12-2pm

Coppice Gate Farm, Shapwick



*Mud, fun,
cows and
food – and
stories
about Jesus!*

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Church Services in October 2021

Sunday 3 October – Trinity 18 (Green)

9.30 *Catcott* Harvest Holy Communion
11.00 Informal Worship via **Zoom**

Sunday 10 October – Trinity 19 (Green)

9.30 *Burtle* Holy Communion
11.00 *Ashcott* Informal Worship
11.00 *Chilton Polden* Harvest Informal Worship
6.30 *Edington* Holy Communion

Sunday 17 October – Trinity 20 (Green)

10.30 *Shapwick* Café Church at Shapwick Pavilion

10.30 *Chilton Polden* Holy Communion

Sunday 24 October – Bible Sunday (Green)

11.00 *Burtle* Harvest Informal Worship
11.00 *Edington* Informal Worship
6.30 *Ashcott* Holy Communion

Sunday 31 October – 4th before Advent/All Saints Day (White)

11.00 *Burtle* Holy Communion
4.00 *Catcott* All Souls Service*

Sunday 7 November – 3rd before Advent (Green)

9.30 *Catcott* Holy Communion
11.0 Informal Worship via **Zoom**



Service of Quiet

Tues October 19 at 7pm
in **Catcott** church.

This will be a quiet space for contemplative reflection for half an hour.

Midweek Holy Communion

Weds 20 October at
10am in **Edington Church.**

To access our Zoom services, please visit the Polden Wheel website and complete the online form. You will then be added to the list for future services.

Readings for October

3 October: Mark 10:2-16: Acts 28:11-31

10 October: Mark 10:17-31; Hebrews 4:12-end

17 October: Mark 10:35-45; Hebrews 5:1-10

24 October: John 5:36b-end; 2 Timothy 3:14- 4:5

31 October: Mark 12:28-34; Hebrews 9:11-14

**This is a service of remembrance for those who have lost loved ones in the past year. If you would like to attend please contact Sue Ball, Parish Administrator, on admin@poldenwheel.co.uk or 01458 210260*

Diary of Church Events

October

- Saturday 2nd **Ashcott:** Big breakfast in the village hall. 9-11.30am. £7 (children half price) for full English, cereals, juice and as much coffee and toast as you want.
- Friday 8th **Chilton Polden:** Family Bingo in the Church Hall. Eyes down. 7.30pm. £1 per book. Raffle and refreshments. Children can play.
- Saturday 16th **Chilton Polden:** St Edward's Gift Day in church 10-1. Join us for company, tea, coffee and cake.
- Saturday 16th **Edington:** St George's coffee morning at Little Orchard, The Walls, TA7 9JU. 10- 12noon. Bring and Buy and Raffle.
- Saturday 16th **Catcott:** Men's breakfast at the Crown, Catcott at 8.45am. £8. Speaker will be Stephen Lynas.
- Thursday 21st **Catcott:** Coffee morning 10.30 – 12 noon at Polden Rise, Steel Lane, Catcott, TA7 9HP.

November

- Friday 12th **Chilton Polden:** Family Bingo in the Church Hall. Eyes down 7.30pm. £1 per book. Raffle and refreshments. Children can play.
- Friday 12th **Burtle:** Social evening at the Duck. Details to follow.
- Saturday 13th **Shapwick:** Muddy Church at Coppice Farm. 12-2.