

# ST MARY'S GAMLINGAY, HATLEY ST GEORGE & ST MARY'S EVERTON



## Weekly newsletter 23 May 2025



### *From Hilary:*

This newsletter comes to you, in the week Norman and I are away, with special thanks to Paul Hutchinson who will be looking after church this weekend including the Rogation time and Sunday services.



Thank you to everyone who has worked to get the envelopes out and collected in, particularly Ann in Gamlingay who made sure the Benefice took part in Christian Aid week this year. Counts will take place later when envelopes have all been gathered. The collection points are no longer operative, so late returns need to come to church or to a church member.

### Marking Rogation - reminder

**Saturday 24th May:** There will be a short gathering service at Gamlingay church at 10.30am, an optional walk to Everton and a short ending service at 12.30pm at Everton church. Revd. Paul Hutchinson from St Neots will lead prayers and accompany walkers in Hilary's absence. The walk is via the Cinques and part of the Greensands Ridge Way from Gamlingay to Everton.

The Thornton pub in Everton is serving until 3pm on that afternoon and walkers are expected,

**Saturday 31st May:** - a community-led 'Beating the Bounds' Walk for Rogation will include picnic and prayers at lunch time at Haley Wood. Those wishing to take part need to book in with Margot – see Hatley information on page three.

**Ascension: Thursday 29th May:** The Benefice celebration on the day itself will be at the evening service in Ely Cathedral. Lifts are available and there is a sign-up sheet in Gamlingay church, in the first instance, to express interest.

**The Sunday after Ascension** (Easter 7) on 1st June will remember the festival in our parish churches.

**Pentecost/Whitsun: Sunday 8th June,** marks the gifting of the Holy Spirit, which sent those who had witnessed the resurrection out into the world to share the good news.

**Trinity Sunday: 15th June.** This is also **RSCM Music Sunday**, which will be marked at **Gamlingay** in the morning service alongside Trinity Sunday.

The usual **Everton** congregation will be otherwise occupied on this day, so there will be no service there. At **Great Gransden** there is a 'Come and Sing' Evensong ([see this poster](#)) to which all are invited and to which Hilary can offer lifts.

# ***NEWS FROM EVERTON***

**Soup and Social** (community event) is next on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May.

**Coffee Morning** takes place on Saturday 7th June, help is welcome. Special thanks to Peter Mann for donating his expertise to produce the publicity material.



# ***NEWS FROM GAMLINGAY***

**Simple Lunch** took place on Tuesday 20th May, with special thanks to Jane and Ann who enabled it to happen in Hilary's absence.

**Churchyard:** Thank you to Emma and family for their help.



Our next event is the **Midsummer Fair** on Saturday, 21st June from 12 noon to 4.00 pm.  
[Click on the graphic above or this link for more details.](#)

**Can you help in any of the following ways...?**

- Setting up on the Friday evening/Saturday morning.
- Dismantling and clearing away on the Saturday afternoon/evening.
- Do you have a barbeque we could borrow for the afternoon?
  - We will also need to borrow several gazebos.
  - Could you offer to look after one of the stalls?
- And, of course, we will be asking our wonderful bakers for lots of cakes!

**Exhibition:** St Mary's would like to invite individuals, groups, societies and businesses to submit an exhibit on the theme of 'Summer Celebration' to be displayed at our Midsummer Fair in church. Please let us know by using Messenger on St Mary's Facebook page or by email: [stmarysgamevents@outlook.com](mailto:stmarysgamevents@outlook.com).

If you would like to make a donation to St Mary's, please use the following link <https://givealittle.co/c/4lecXUImpeCHL8IXzKWVcf>.

**Thank you for your support!**

# NEWS FROM HATLEY ST GEORGE

Hatley PC's Annual Meeting [received a written report from Hilary](#) in her absence.

## Beating the Bounds Village Walk

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2025

*Meet at either.....*

**9.30 am at Hatley Village Hall for the 12-mile walk, OR**

**1pm at the corner of Hayley Wood for the 5-mile walk**

Registration required, contact Hilary or Nichola if you are thinking of joining.

[Much more detail about this walk on the Hatley website.](#)

NB Maps are only available on the day.



## Benefice Services and Church Events

Midweek said Eucharist services take place at St Mary's in Gamlingay every Wednesday at 9.30am but watch for late cancellations.

**Saturday 24th May** - Rogation prayers and optional walk between Gamlingay and Everton churches.

10.30am: Gamlingay prayers in church; 12.30pm: Everton prayers in church.

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May: Sixth Sunday of Easter – Rogationtide.**

**Welcoming Revd Paul Hutchinson to conduct services**

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay

11.15am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Everton

**Thursday 29th May: Ascension Day**

The Parish celebration for Ascension Day joins the Evening Eucharist at Ely Cathedral.

Lifts available, please ask

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June: Sunday after Ascension**

9.30am All Age Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay

11.15am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Everton

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June: Day of Pentecost/Whit Sunday**

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay

11.15am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Everton

6pm Reflective Evening service at Hatley still TBC

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June: Trinity Sunday and RSCM Music Sunday**

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay with Healing time

**NO evensong at St. Mary's, Everton - invitation to Great Gransden to join Deanery for 'Come and Sing'**

**Evensong**

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June: Trinity 1**

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay

11.15am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Everton

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June: Trinity 2 Peter and Paul Apostles**

10am Benefice service of Holy Communion at Everton

Time TBC if a Reflective afternoon/evening service at Gamlingay.

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July Trinity 3**

9.30am All Age Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay

11.15am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Everton, followed by Garden Party at Woodbury Hall

*A reminder that if you are temporarily or permanently unable to attend church services and would like to receive communion in your own home, please let us know. For Gamlingay and Hatley contact Hilary or Valerie.*

*For Everton contact Hilary.*

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**Please let Brenda Elcome have any articles or pictures for the newsletter by Wednesday afternoon to [Brenda.elcome@ymail.com](mailto:Brenda.elcome@ymail.com)**

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