



The United Benefice of Sharnbrook, Felmersham and Knotting with Souldrop

You are invited to join the services in the benefice – come and join in the prayers of the parish. Everyone is welcome.



Worship in the churches of the Benefice from **Candlemas to Pentecost 2018**

This page shows the **Sunday Services**, **Principal Festivals** and **Festivals** of the Church of England

Day	Occasion	Services	Readings and notes
Sunday 4 February 1 st Sunday Principal Festival	Candlemas The Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple	<i>No morning service at Sharnbrook or Souldrop</i> 1100 Felmersham Benefice Candlemas Communion 1730 St Paul's Bedford Candlemas Flower Festival Celebration <i>No evensong at St Peters</i>	Readings at HC Mal 3.1-5 & Heb 2.14-end Luke 2.22-40
Sunday 11 February 2 nd Sunday	Sunday next before Lent	0830 Souldrop Holy Communion BCP 0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion & RnS (<i>not AAHC</i>) 1100 Felmersham Parish Communion (<i>not AAHC</i>) 1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Evensong – LLW Andrea	Readings at HC 2 Kings 2.1-12 & 2 Cor 4.3-6 Mark 9.2-9 Evensong 1 Kings 19.1-16 & 2 Pet 1.16-21
Wednesday 14 February Principal Holy Day	ASH WEDNESDAY	0930 Sharnbrook Holy Communion CW with Ashing 1930 Sharnbrook Benefice Sung Communion with Ashing	Readings at HC Joel 2:1-2,12-17 & 2 Cor 5:20b-6:10 Matt 6:1-6, 16-21
Lent COMPLINE begins Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays at 8pm in Sharnbrook also on Tuesday & Thursday at 6pm from Passiontide at Felmersham & Visual Stations of the Cross is on Wednesdays at 7:15pm & Holy Hour is on Fridays at 7pm both preceding Compline			
Sunday 18 February 3 rd Sunday	Lent 1	0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion & RnS 1100 Felmersham Parish Communion 1500 Souldrop Parish Communion 1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Evensong – LLW Rosemary	Readings at HC Gen 9.8-17 & 1 Pet 3.18-22 Mark 1.9-15 Evensong Ps 119.17-32 Gen2.15-17; 3.1-7 Rom 5.12-19
Sunday 25 February 4 th Sunday	Lent 2	0830 Souldrop Holy Communion BCP 0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion RnS 1100 Felmersham Choral Matins 1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Evensong – LLW JaneT	Readings at HC Gen 17.1-7,15-16 & Rom 4.13-end Mark 8.31-end Evensong Ps 135 Gen 12.1-9 & Heb 11.1-3, 8-16
Sunday 4 March 1 st Sunday	Lent 3	0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion & RnS 1100 Felmersham Parish Communion 1500 Souldrop Parish Communion 1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Evensong – Rector	Readings at HC Exod 20.1-17 & 1 Cor 1.18-25 John 2.13-22 Evensong Ps 11 Exod 5.1-6.1 & Phil 3.4b-14
Sunday 11 March 2 nd Sunday	Lent 4 Mothering Sunday	0830 Souldrop Holy Communion BCP 0930 Sharnbrook All Age Communion 1100 Felmersham Comm. Service for Mothering Sunday 1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Evensong – LLW Andrea	Readings at HC Num 21.4-9 & Eph 2.1-10 John 3.14-21 Evensong Ps 13 Exod 6.2-13 & Rom 5.1-11
Sunday 18 March 3 rd Sunday	Lent 5 Passiontide begins	0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion & RnS 1100 Felmersham Parish Communion 1500 Souldrop Parish Communion 1900 Saltmine Theatre Production at the Upper School – St John's Gospel	Readings at HC Jer 31.31-34 & Heb 5.5-10 John 12.20-33 Evensong of St Joseph of Nazareth Ps 132 Hos 11.1-9 & Luke 2.41-end
Monday 19 March Red Letter Day	St Joseph of Nazareth	1930 House Communion at The Rectory followed by nibbles and drinks to keep the feast	Readings at HC 2 Sam 7.4-16 & Rom 4.13-18 Matt 1.18-end
Sunday 25 March 4 th Sunday	PALM SUNDAY Holy Week begins	0830 Souldrop Holy Communion BCP 0915 Sharnbrook Palm Sunday Procession & Parish Communion with the Passion Narrative 1100 Felmersham Parish Communion with the Passion Narrative 1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Evensong – LLW JaneT	Liturgy of the Palms Mark 11.1-11 Readings for HC Isa 50.4-9a & Phil 2.5-11 Passion Narrative Mark 14 & 15 (<i>complete</i>)
Monday 26 March	Holy Monday	0800 Sharnbrook Morning Prayer 2000 Sharnbrook COMPLINE	
Tuesday 27 March	Holy Tuesday	0800 Sharnbrook Morning Prayer 2000 Felmersham COMPLINE	
Wednesday 28 March	Holy Wednesday	0800 Sharnbrook Morning Prayer 0930 Sharnbrook Holy Communion CW 1915 Sharnbrook Visual Stations of the Cross 2000 Sharnbrook COMPLINE	
Thursday 29 March Principal Festival	Maundy Thursday	0800 Sharnbrook Morning Prayer 0930 Felmersham Holy Communion & Stripping of the Altar & Sanctuary 1930 Sharnbrook Holy Communion of the Last Supper, Feet washing, Stripping of the Altars & Vigil until 2200hrs	Readings at both HCs Exod 12.1-4, 11-14 & 1 Cor 11.23-26 John 13.1-17, 31b-35
Friday 30 March Principal Holy Day	Good Friday	0800 Sharnbrook Morning Prayer 1000 Radwell to Felmersham Walk of Witness incl Stations of the Cross and ending with Veneration of the Cross at St Marys 1300 Sharnbrook Liturgy of the Day until 1500 1900 Souldrop Cross of Christ	Readings at Liturgy of the Day Is 52.13- end of 53 Heb 10.16-25 John 18.1-end of ch 19 Cross of Christ readings tba
Saturday 31 March	Holy Saturday	Churches in silence until midday	Decorating Churches with flowers for Easter begins from Midday
Saturday 31 March	Easter Eve	2000 St Albans Cathedral for Easter Eve Confirmations and ceremonies	
Sunday 1 April Principal Festival	EASTER DAY	0830 Souldrop Holy Communion (NOT 1500) 0930 Sharnbrook Easter Communion & RnS 1100 Felmersham Easter Communion & Baptism 1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Easter Evensong – Rector	Readings at HC Acts 10.34-43 & 1 Cor 15.1-11 Mark 16.1-8

Sunday 8 April 2 nd Sunday	2nd Sun of Easter	0830 Souldrop Holy Communion BCP 0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion & RnS (<i>not AAHC</i>) 1100 Felmersham Parish Communion (<i>not AAHC</i>) 1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Evensong – LLW Andrea	Readings at HC Acts 4.32-35 & 1 John 1.1-2.2 John 20.19-end
Monday 9 April Principal Festival	Annunciation of Our Lord to the BVM	1930 Sharnbrook Holy Communion in Lady Chapel <i>Transferred from March 25th</i>	Readings at HC Isa 7.10-14 & Heb 10.4-10 Luke 1.26-38
Sunday 15 April 3 rd Sunday	3rd Sun of Easter	0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion & RnS 1100 Felmersham Parish Communion 1500 Souldrop Parish Communion 1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Evensong – LLW Rosemary	Readings at HC Acts 3.12-19 & 1 John 3.1-7 Luke 24.36b-48
Sunday 22 April 4 th Sunday	4th Sun of Easter	0830 Souldrop Holy Communion BCP 0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion RnS 1100 Felmersham Choral Matins 1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Evensong – LLW JaneT	Readings at HC Acts 4.5-12 & 1 John 3.16-24 John 10.11-18
Monday 23 April Red Letter Day	St George's Day	1930 Sharnbrook Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel followed by drinks and nibbles to keep the feast	Readings at HC 1 Macc 2.59-64 & 2 Tim 2.3-13 John 15.18-21
Wednesday 25 April Red Letter Day	St Mark the Evangelist	0930 Sharnbrook Holy Communion CW followed by drinks and nibbles to keep the feast	Readings at HC Prov 15.28-end & Eph 4.7-16 Mark 13.5-13
Sunday 29 April 5 th Sunday	5th Sun of Easter	0830 Souldrop Holy Communion BCP 0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion RnS 1100 Felmersham Parish Communion 1800 Sharnbrook Taize	Readings at HC Acts 8.26-40 & 1 John 4.7-21 John 15.1-8
Tuesday 1 May Red Letter Day	Ss Philip & James	1930 Sharnbrook Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel followed by drinks and nibbles to keep the feast	Readings at HC Isa 30.15-21 & Eph 1.3-10 John 14.1-14
Sunday 6 May 1 st Sunday	Rogation Sunday 6th Sun of Easter	0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion & RnS 1100 Felmersham Parish Communion 1600 Rogation Walk starting at Felmersham to Sharnbrook 1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Rogation Evensong – Rector	Readings at HC Act 10.44-48 & 1 John 5.1-6 John 15.9-17
Thursday 10 May Principal Festival	ASCENSION DAY	0930 Felmersham Holy Communion followed by drinks and nibbles to keep the feast 1930 DEANERY COMMUNION venue tba	Readings at HC Acts 1.1-11 & Eph 1.15-end Luke 24.44-end
THY KINGDOM COME prayer season from Ascension to Pentecost – watch out for further events and activities			
Sunday 13 May 2 nd Sunday	7th Sun of Easter Christian Aid Week begins	1030 Churches Together Christian Aid week service at Park Lane <i>No services in Felmersham or Souldrop</i> 1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Sung Communion	Readings at HC Acts 1.15-17, 21-26 & 1 John 5.9-13 John 17.6-19
Monday 14 May Red Letter Day	St Matthias	1930 Sharnbrook Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel followed by drinks and nibbles to keep the feast	Readings at HC Isa 22.15-25 & Acts 1.15-26 John 15.9-17
Sunday 20 May 3 rd Sunday Principal Festival	PENTECOST Whit Sunday	0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion & RnS 1100 Felmersham Parish Communion 1500 Souldrop Parish Communion 1800 St Albans Cathedral Ecumenical Pentecost Beacon Celebration	Readings at HC Acts 2.1-21 & Rom 8.22-27 John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15

Weekday Services

8am Monday to Saturday **Morning Prayer** is in the Lady Chapel at St Peter's Church

Wednesday at 9:30am there is **Holy Communion Service** in the Lady Chapel at St Peter's Church, Sharnbrook

Thursdays at 9:30am there is a **Holy Communion service** at St Mary's Felmersham

Messy Church happens Monday in Term time at 11:45am at St Peter's Church & on 2nd Wed 3:15pm at Pinchmill School Committee Room

Holy Hour is on Fridays in Advent from 7pm preceding Compline at 8pm – an hour of silence in the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament

St Marys Church Felmersham and St Peter's Church in Sharnbrook are open daily in daylight hours for you to come and enjoy – an open invitation to come and lay your life and concerns before God. At St Peter's you may light a candle in the Lady Chapel and in St Mary's there are candles to light in the side chapel.

The next copy of this sheet will be available in May covering Pentecost to Advent 2018

Key: **PC = Parish Communion** (hymns, sung mass setting and sermon), **HC = Holy Communion** (said service),
BCP= 1662 Book of Common Prayer 17th Century language, **AA = All Age** (including use of data-projector), **SPR= St Peter's Room**,
CW = Common Worship service contemporary language

Services will be led by:- the Rector, Licenced Lay Leaders of Worship and retired clergy as needs arise, unless otherwise indicated.



Please check the website for updates to worship www.sharnbrookcofechurches.org

Both St Peter's Sharnbrook & St Mary's Felmersham Church buildings are open during daylight hours for you to come and use to say your prayers, or sit and dwell with God in the silence. There are candles which may be lit in both the side chapels and an Intercession book where prayer requests may be offered.



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