

The Parishes of Swaffham and Sporle

Vicar: Revd Janet Allan

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A warm welcome to church today, whether you are joining us in person or online.

Sunday 22nd May 2022 (Easter 6/Rogation)

9.30 a.m. Holy Communion (said) (Swaffham)

11.30 a.m. Rogation Service at St Mary's Sporle, followed by shared lunch (outside St Mary's, weather permitting)

The week ahead

Morning prayer (Swaffham) 9 a.m. Weds – Fri.

Monday 10 a.m. Flower meeting

Wednesday 10 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)

11.30 Toni Groom: Interment of Ashes

3.30 p.m. Swaffham PCC in church

Thursday 6 p.m. Ascension Day Sung Eucharist

Saturday a.m. Coffee morning

Sunday next 29th May (Easter 7)

9.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist (Swaffham)

11.30 a.m. Eucharist (Sporle)

News

Rogation: on **Sunday 22nd May** we are celebrating Rogation with an **11.30 a.m.** United Benefice service at **St Mary, Sporle**, by a shared lunch. All welcome.

Thanks to the hospitality committee and flower group for an excellent fundraising lunch on Thursday. A grand total of £260 was raised.

Christian Aid: if you would like to contribute to Christian Aid's 2022 appeal, it is possible to do so at <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/christian-aid-week>

This year's appeal focuses on the campaign for climate justice and supporting families suffering from hunger or drought. It is also possible to donate securely to Christian Aid on tel. 020 7523 2269

Ascension Day (26th May): there will be a Sung Eucharist at 6 p.m. this year at St Peter & St Paul's.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee: Friday 3rd June

3 p.m. Afternoon Tea - tickets now all sold.

Sunday 5th June 6 p.m. Songs of Praise

Please note that the civic service for the Queen's Jubilee will be held later in the year at the request of the incoming mayor. Details tba.

Mothers' Union 9th June 2 p.m.: Celebration Service for 121 years of Mothers' Union in Swaffham. followed by refreshments.

Bishop Jane to preach. All welcome!

Revd Tori's ordination: this will be on Saturday 25th June at Norwich Cathedral at 11 a.m. and it is anticipated that there will be room for all. Details to be confirmed.

Bible Study Group: this meets usually on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at Jan Edwards' house. Next dates are: 1st and 15th June; 6th and 20th July. Further details from Revd John Handley or Ralph Clarke.

DONR: donations to Swaffham Parish Church via text message: text CHURCH to 70580 to donate £5 (and there is a facility to add gift aid if you wish)

We are gradually adjusting arrangements as we make our way out of lockdown. The congregation is no longer required to wear face coverings, but you may wish to, and we would ask all to respect those who wish to keep social distance.

The clergy will be happy to bring communion to anyone in the pews who would find this helpful, whether for reasons of shielding or mobility.

The collection plate will continue to be at the back on arrival and will not be passed round.

Hand sanitiser is provided.

At our 9.30 service this week, please use the main aisle to come to the altar rail for communion and return.

Gluten free wafers are available – simply let clergy or sidespeople know if the clergy are not already aware.

For our prayers

Those who are sick (to be read out in church):

Henry Clark, Jo, Pernille Henman, Pauline Henman, Michelle Morano, Raymond, Pat Inman, Pippa, John White, Wendy, Ted England, Theo Oosterhagen, Archdeacon Ian.

Pray also at home for: Lucy Wilkinson, Judy Walder, Jenny Luck, Neil Hopkins, Paul Goodman, Rick Richards, Beverley Gardam, Elizabeth Fooks, Frances Smith, Audrey McGuinness, Jill Flack, Nancy Morgan, Derek Thackray.

Those who have died:

Tom Sanderson, Carol Darby, Michael James, Diane Martin, Mavis Manlow.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Pray for those who mourn.