

Next week, the Church Office will only be open on
Friday 29th May, 9am - 3.30pm.

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Minister: Rev'd Francis Blight 01206 243266 (day off Saturday)

PENTECOST SUNDAY 24TH MAY 2026

10AM MORNING WORSHIP (FORDHAM CHURCH)

The Holy Spirit Empowers Jesus' Apostles for Witness
(Acts 2:1-21)



Leading: John Bradley & Teaching: Francis Blight

10AM ALL SAINTS SUNDAY CLUB

Children and young people begin with their
parents/carers in the main service.

Luke Group (4 - 11 years) *Faith Chooses (James 4:4-10)*

Matthew Group (11 - 16s) *Humility (Philippians)*

9:35AM PRAYING FOR THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Join us to pray for the ministry of God's Word through
his Spirit. We meet by the pulpit. All Welcome.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO STAY FOR
A DRINK AND CHAT AFTER THE SERVICE.**



WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN

If you are new to All Saints Church, we are glad you have joined us today
and hope you enjoy your time with us. You are invited to fill in the
green **Welcome Card** so that we can be in touch to say 'hello'.

These are available from the table by the entrance.

TODAY'S TEACHING

Pentecost: The Holy Spirit Empowers

Jesus' Apostles for Witness

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SUMMER TEACHING SERIES BEGINS SUNDAY 7TH JUNE 2026 THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTER OF JAMES

James focusing on spiritual wholeness as we seek to relate well together in the local church. It contains challenging teaching on the topics of:

Joy and patience in the midst of trials, faith and action, the tongue and speech, attitudes of the rich towards the poor, true wisdom and humility & prayer and patience. Please pray that God will use this part of his Word to develop us as a community in our Christian discipleship.

FELSTED CHURCH FAREWELL SERVICE SUNDAY 31ST MAY

Rev'd Colin Taylor is retiring after two decades as the minister of Felsted Church. At the same time, a new church is forming from the church family and seeking membership of the Anglican Mission in England (AMiE). The eldership of the new church will be commissioned at the service. Francis and Roger Miles (church warden) will be attending. Please pray for God's blessing on Colin and Sylvia Taylor as they finish and the new church as they prepare to launch.

CHURCH DIARY

Next week, during the half term holiday, the Church Office will only be open on Friday 29th May, 9am - 3.30pm.

Tuesday 26th May, 7:45 - 9.15pm **Christianity Explored**
Contact Aëlla if you would like to join in 07729 173504.

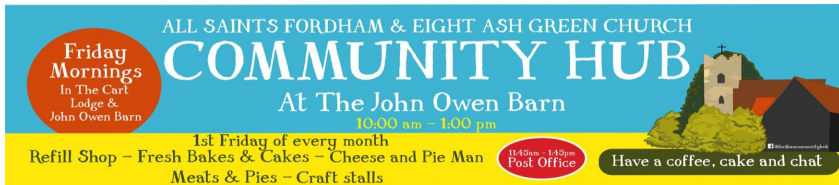


The following ministries are taking a break for half term:

Babies and Toddlers, beginning again on the Tues 2nd June.

421 Youth Group for 11-18 year olds, returning on Friday 5th June.

Wednesday 27th May **Interview Day for the Associate Pastor post**. Please pray for God's blessing and leading with the interview process.



Friday 29th May, **Community Hub Café** (10:00am-1:00pm) & **Post Office** (11:45am-1:45pm) at the John Owen Barn.

Sunday 31st May 10am **Trinity: Three in One, One in Three**, *John 16:5-16* (Fordham Church). Preacher Tony Hughes. With the All Saints Club for Luke group. Matthew group will remain in the service.

Thursday 4th June, 7.45 - 9.15pm **June Prayer Focus** (John Owen Barn). Join us to pray for the needs, mission and ministries of our church. Refreshments and community time from 7.15pm.



Friday 5th - 7th June **Halstead Music Festival** (St Andrew's Church, Halstead) Artistic Director Chris White. For programme and bookings visit www.halsteadmusicfestival.co.uk

Saturday, 6th June 2026 4:00pm – 11:00pm **Comfort Olajumoke's 50th Birthday Party** (Stanway Community Centre, CO3 0RH). All members of FEAG church are invited! RSVP by Friday 30th May to Taiwo olahanjummy@yahoo.co.uk 07462952210.

Sunday 28th June 10am **Explore Sunday** (Fordham Church). Save the date and start to think and about pray about who you could invite to come to church with you.

PCC MEMBERS - MAY 2026 > SUMMER 2027

Thank you to everyone who came to our Annual Meetings on Sunday 10th May. The meetings went well with wardens, deanery synod and parochial church council members being duly appointed. Please pray for and look to support your PCC representative over the next 12 months:

Elected PCC Members: Grace Lee (PCC Secretary), Taiwo Olajumoke, Victoria Rolfe (Treasurer & Finance Committee Chair), Ali Brett (Electoral Roll Officer)

Colchester Deanery Synod Members: Irene Bale, John Bradley

General Synod Member: Mary Durlacher (until summer 2025)

Church Wardens: Nick Durlacher (Vice Chair), Roger Miles

Clergy: Rev'd Francis Blight (Chair)

Co-opted (non-voting): Alistair Grote (Fabric Committee Chair), Ann Rolfe (Parish Safeguarding Officer)

GIVING TO THE WORK OF ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN

If you would like details of how to support our church ministry financially, or you have any questions about giving, please speak to our treasurer Victoria Rolfe or send her an email victoria.emma.rolfe@gmail.com

Bank Account Name: "FORDHAM AND EAG PCC"

Sort Code 20-22-67 Account Number 20369047.

THIS CHURCH IS PART OF THE EBBSFLEET NETWORK: As part of the Church of England, we have passed a resolution requesting the extended spiritual and pastoral care of the Bishop of Ebbsfleet, Rt Rev Dr Rob Munro. Bishop Rob supports churches who have requested their Diocesan Bishop to provide for their evangelical and complementarian convictions - that is their commitment to the authority of the Bible, to direct the life of the Church and express the equal but different roles of men and women in family and Church.

<https://www.bishopofebbsfleet.org>

SAFEGUARDING: We, as a church, are committed to safeguarding children, young people, victims/perpetrators of domestic abuse and vulnerable adults. The PCC has adopted the Church of England's policies and best practice on safeguarding which may be found on the Church of England's website: <https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org>

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) is Ann Rolfe who can be contacted on 07968 087726, ann.rolfe@fordhamchurch.org.uk

FIRE EVACUATION: In the event of a fire, leave via fire exits and gather at the fire assembly point: Eight Ash Green - car park, Fordham Church - lawn outside Fordham Hall, John Owen Barn - field

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