

# 2 BEFORE LENT

**Let all things their creator bless, And worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia! William Henry Draper**

**Welcome:** A very warm welcome to Reverend Graeme Arthur who is taking the morning service at Barford St John and Deddington Church today.

**Shrove Tuesday, 17th February, 5:30-7:30pm:** Join us at Deddington Church for Pancakes and Plonk, the last bit of indulgence before Lent! All proceeds go to the Church.

**Ash Wednesday, 18th February, 10am and 7pm:** We will be holding two services of Holy Communion with the Imposition of Ashes at Deddington Church to mark the start of Lent. Please do join us for either our 10am or 7pm services to partake in this traditional service to mark the start of the penitential season.

**Lent Course:** During Lent, we are running the 'Come and See' course from Oxford Diocese. The theme this year is 'Discovering Jesus through the Eucharist', where we will explore the profound meal at the heart of Christian worship and life. Find out more and register here to get ready!: <https://oxford.anglican.org/campaigns/come-and-see/>. Everyone who registers receives a short daily email to reflect on at home, and a weekly video from Bishop Steven. There are also special materials for children and young people. We will be also running weekly follow up discussion groups on Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm at Deddington church, starting 24th February. We hope to see you there!

**Would you like to explore Confirmation?** – Bishop Gavin will be confirming candidates on Sunday 26th April at Barford St Michael's church. If you would like to explore confirmation this year, please get in touch with Revd Nick to find out more. Confirmation classes will run during Lent (timing TBC), which candidates will need to attend to explore faith deeper.

**Tuesday 10th February, 1:30pm:** Funeral of the late Doreen Watkins, Deddington Church.

**Friday 27th February, 1:30pm:** Funeral of the late Barbara Budd, Deddington Church.

**Thursday 5th March, 1:30pm:** Funeral of the late Wendy Burrows, Deddington Church.

**Dates for your diary:** Together with the Friends of Deddington Church, we will be holding two events in church this year to help raise much needed funds for a replacement heating system. We really hope you will be able to come along to support us.

**Sunday 21st June 2026:** Open Gardens and Cream Tea

**Saturday 21st November 2026:** Christmas Craft Fair

**Open Gardens:** Do you have an interesting garden which you would be happy to open up for others in the village to see as part of our Open Garden event on Sunday 21st June? If so, please speak to Caroline on 07821 259092 or via email at [caroline.condon@btinternet.com](mailto:caroline.condon@btinternet.com). Thank you!

**ECO CHURCH** skip plastic produce bags. There's no need for plastic bags for fruit and vegetables; put your produce all together in a big basket or bag, or buy cloth bags instead.

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## BENEFACTORY WORSHIP AND NEWS

St Peter and St Paul, Deddington

St Michael and St John, Barford

St John the Evangelist, Hempton

## SUNDAY 8th FEBRUARY 2026



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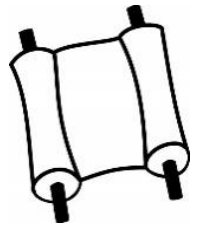
**SERVICES 8th-13th February Deddington services online at <http://bit.ly/DCOLS>**

### 2nd Sunday of the Month

Sunday	09:00	Holy Communion	Barford St John
	10:30	Holy Communion	Deddington
Wednesday	10:00	Holy Communion	Deddington

### DAILY PRAYER IN THE BENEFACTORY

Monday	08:45	Morning Prayer	Deddington
Tuesday	08:15	Morning Prayer	Deddington
Wednesday	17:15	Evening Prayer	Barford St Michael
Friday	08:45	Morning Prayer	Deddington
	17:15	Evening Prayer	Deddington



**Readings: Sunday** Genesis 1.1-2.3; Romans 8.18-25; Matthew 6.25-end

**Next Sunday** Exodus 24.12-end; 2 Peter 1.16-end; Matthew 17.1-9

**Vicar: NICK FIELDEN**

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**MONDAY is the Vicar's day off; for urgent matters please contact the wardens.**

**Wardens: Deddington: Vacancy**

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