

# CHURCH LENT

April  
2024

Elton

Haddon

Morborne

Folksworth

Stilton

The Stilton Group of Churches

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"Growing together in worship..... reaching out with Christian love"



As we enter April this year, Lent and Easter have been and gone. Jesus is risen! Hallelujah!

John's gospel tells us that the disciples were huddled together behind locked doors, too frightened to venture out despite the news from Mary that the Lord has risen.

The locked doors did not prevent Jesus from appearing in their midst – and what a gracious entrance he made. No accusations about their desertion or betrayal but rather a simple message ***"Peace be with you"***. They were forgiven. Jesus then breathes the Holy Spirit on them.



This month we also welcome someone in to our midst in the form of our new rector Rev Diane Kutar who will be formally welcomed at a service attended by the Bishop of Ely at Elton on Sunday April 7th at 6.00pm. *We all hope that many of you will be keen to, and able to, attend.*

We all pray for her and her family as they transition into their new home and community and Rev Diane into her new role.



I pray that we will not be like the disciples huddled in their locked rooms, too frightened to venture out and say hello. I pray that we all open our doors and hearts to her and that we will be unafraid to greet our new rector on her arrival and hear the good news of the gospels which she comes to preach.

What an exceptionally good time to return to church if you have slipped away from regular attendance or to give it a try for the first time if it would be completely new to you.

Going back to John 20, he writes that his gospel was written ***"that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in His name"***.

What an excellent way of describing what a rector is for.

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Mark Your Calendars  
**UPCOMING EVENTS**



proudly supporting  
Magpas - All Air Ambulance

Appearing at St Mary Magdalene Church  
Stilton



Admission FREE  
(a donation towards Magpas Air Ambulance  
and church funds would be appreciated)

Refreshments Available in the interval

## STILTON

Upwood Ukuleles hail from Upwood and formed in February 2014 with the accent on having fun and making music together,

Upwood Ukuleles has gone from strength to strength, playing at an ever increasing variety of events.

Upwood Ukuleles include a wide assortment of musical styles and instruments in their shows. As well as the whole range of ukuleles from piccolo to bass, don't be surprised to hear kazoos, recorders, trombone, bowed psaltery and various percussion instruments including the cajon.

Audience participation is encouraged.

## ELTON

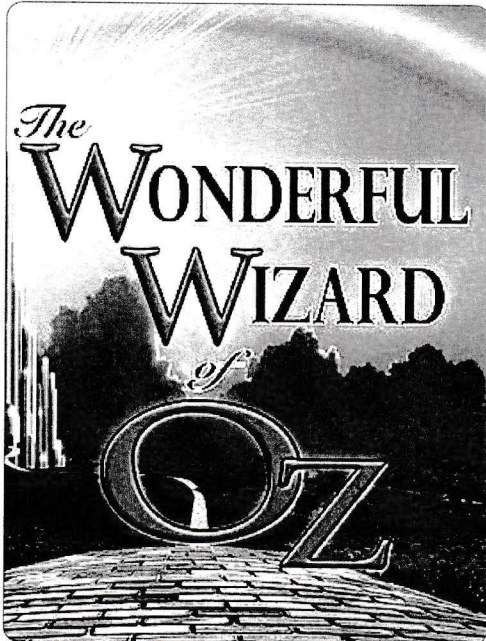
On the 24th May we are pleased to be welcoming the "My Theatre" group back to All Saints church Elton, where they will be performing their adaptation of the Wizard of Oz.

Based on the original novel by L. Frank Baum, children and adults alike will love this ever-popular story reimagined for the stage.

Running time: approximately 90 minutes.

Tickets are now on sale via their website:

<https://www.thisismytheatre.com/elton>  
Or by phone: - 07732 253311







## Service Sunday 7th April 2024

The Stilton Group of churches warmly invite you to:

*The Institution and Induction of Revd. Diane Kutar. At All Saints Church Elton at 6pm  
Followed by refreshments at Elton Primary School*

Revd. Diane is excited to meet everyone at the service or any of the upcoming services throughout April



At St Helen's we are eagerly awaiting the arrival of Rev Diane Kutar. During the interregnum we have been fortunate to continue our weekly Sunday services at 9.45am. We are a warm, welcoming small Christian community of all ages, and would invite you to come along one Sunday and join us.

Sadly, St Helens is not immune to rising costs and we have seen our bills increase and our income decrease which is causing our PCC concern. We have a beautiful small Church that provides a good venue for Christenings, Weddings and Funerals etc, it's an asset to our village and important we keep it alive! If you can provide some financial support to our Church, we would very much appreciate donations, either on a regular basis or as a one-off.

We know times are difficult for all, but if you are in a position to support St Helens, no matter how small, we would be very grateful for your generosity.  
Please email our Treasurer, Michelle Cave on [mcave14@hotmail.com](mailto:mcave14@hotmail.com)

Coffee Morning



## Coffee Morning

April Coffee Morning is on the 20th  
at 10.30 to 12.00, in the Church Meeting Room, Stilton.  
*Home made cake and a raffle.*



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*Services in April ~ All Welcome*

## GROUP SERVICE AT ELTON

All Saints Overend PE8 6RU

7th April

6pm Licensing service Diane Kutar Elton



## HADDON

St Mary's Haddon PE7 3TR



14th April

11.15am Family Service

21st April

11.15am Messy Praise

28th April

11.15am Holy Communion

## FOLKSWORTH

St Helen's Morborne Road PE7 3SS



14th April

9.45am Holy Communion

21st April

9.45am Morning Praise

28th April

9.45am Morning Praise

## STILTON

St Mary Magdalene Church St. PE7 3RF



14th April

11.15am Holy Communion

21st April

11.15am Holy Communion

28th April

11.15am Morning Service

## ELTON

All Saints Overend PE8 6RU



14th April

6pm Evening Praise

21st April

9.30am Holy Communion

28th April

9.30am Morning Praise

## MORBORNE

All Saints The Green PE7 3TG

21st April 3pm Holy Communion



## MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION



1st Wednesday of the month (3rd April) @Stilton 12.30pm *with a soup lunch*  
2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month (10th and 24th April) @Elton 10am  
*followed by coffee.*