The Upper Nene Benefice

SERVICES SCHEDULE AND NEWSLETTER
November 2026

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Sunday 1st November – All Saints' Day *(Readings: 1John 3:1-3, Matt 5:1-12)*

9:30am	Holy Communion	Church Stowe
9:30am	Family Worship	Weedon Church
11:00am	Holy Communion	Dodford Church
11:00am	United First Sunday Service	Flore Church
4:00pm	Benefice Service of Light	Weedon Church
6:00pm	Evening Prayer	Heyford Church

Weds 4th November - 10:30am Holy Communion Weedon Church

Sunday 8th November – Remembrance Sunday *(Readings: Rom 8:18-25, John 16:31-33)*

9:45am	Remembrance Sunday Service	Weedon Church
10:15am	Remembrance Sunday Service	Heyford Church
10:45am	Remembrance Sunday Service	Dodford Church
10:55am	Act of Remembrance	Church Stowe
2:15pm	Remembrance Sunday Service	Flore War Memorial / Millenium Hall

Sunday 15th November – Safeguarding Sunday *(Readings: 1 Cor 13:1-8a,13, Matt 18:12-14)*

9:30am	Holy Communion	Weedon Church
10:00am	United Worship	Flore Chapel
11:00am	Holy Communion	Heyford Church
6:00pm	Holy Communion	Upper Stowe

Sunday 22nd November – Christ the King (Gift Sunday) *(Readings: Eph 1:15-23, Matt 25:31-46)*

9:30am	Sunday Worship	Weedon Church
10:00am	Family Service	Upper Stowe
11.00am	Holy Communion	Flore Church
4:00pm	Café Church	Nether Heyford

Sunday 29th November – Advent Sunday *(Readings: Isaiah 64:1-9, Mark 13:24-37)*

10:00am	Morning Worship	Flore Chapel
11:00am	Benefice Holy Communion	Brockhall Church
2:00pm	'Our Church, Our Stories' Celebration Service	Heyford Church
4:00pm	Christingle Service	Weedon Church
6:00pm	BCP Evening Prayer	Church Stowe

Midweek Services - Thursdays

10.00am	Holy Communion	Flore Church
2.30pm - 3.30pm	Church open for private prayer	Flore Church

Midweek Services - Fridays

9.00am Morning Prayer via Zoom All Welcome

Contact the Rector at *s_p_burrow@yahoo.co.uk* to get an invitation that will enable you to connect.

Remember, remember…

On 5 November 1605, Guy Fawkes was caught in the cellar beneath the House of Lords with 36 barrels of gunpowder. If the gunpowder had been successfully ignited, it would have completely obliterated the House of Lords, killed everyone inside, and devastated central London over a 500-metre radius. Fawkes gave a fake name, John Johnson, but was later "encouraged" to give his real name and the names of his fellow conspirators. On 31 January 1606, he was taken to Old Palace Yard in Westminster to meet a prolonged death, but fell from the scaffold, dying instantly. In January 1606, Parliament passed a Thanksgiving Act making 5 November an official annual day of public celebration and church services. Over the last 400 years, the religious and state thanksgiving has become a public festival of fireworks, sparklers, toffee apples, and burning Guys on large bonfires. Something so significant has turned into a celebration, where parliament, democracy and Fawkes are largely forgotten.

Jesus is similarly forgotten in England today. Perhaps one thing we all need to "remember, remember," is to put Jesus back where he belongs. Advent is more than a calendar; Christmas is more than presents; Easter is more than chocolate. Start the day with Jesus and end the day with him. It's all about Jesus, and we miss out when we forget his beautiful presence in our lives. Or, as CH Spurgeon said:
"To breakfast with the Lord and sup with him also is to enjoy the days of heaven".

The Venerable Richard Ormston, Archdeacon of Northampton

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Coming up…

Please join us at **Weedon Church at 4:00PM on Sunday 1st November** for our annual **Service of Light**. This is an opportunity to remember, celebrate and give thanks for the lives of loved ones who have died recently, or, indeed, not so recently. If there is anyone you would like us to remember especially during this service, then please write their names on the lists at the back of each of our churches, or let Elizabeth know at etaylorsjut@gmail.com, or ask to add them to the list as you attend the service

Friday 6th November 2026, 7:30PM – Quiz Night in the School Rooms in Church Stowe.
Teams of up to eight people, £12.50 per person to include a Ploughman's Supper.
Please book beforehand by contacting Angela on 01327 340478 or 07864 603537
or Felicity on 07760 228128

On **Sunday 22nd November**, we have a series of **Gift Services** in aid of **Restore Northampton.** Gifts of board reading books for small children, cuddly toys, colouring books and crayons, Christmas selection boxes, toiletry and cosmetic gift sets and the like will be gratefully received. These and similar gifts can be brought to one of the four parish gift services on Sunday 22nd November. (Watch the weekly notice sheets etc for more details nearer the time.) Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Praying for our Villages

During November we shall be praying for people living in Church Street and Manor Walk in Heyford, Kings Lane and The Orchard in Flore, Main Street in Upper Stowe and the Hall Apartments in Brockhall, West Street, Croft Way, Kings Park and Queens Park in Weedon Bec, and The Green in Dodford.