

Service Rota – Aug-Sept 2020

Date	Day	Time	Place	Service Type	Notes
2 August.	Sunday	10:30	Kimbolton	Outdoor Communion	Bring own chair and mask
		17:00	Zoom	Evening Prayer and chat	Email revphiliphowson@icloud.com if you want to join
5 August	Wednesday	10:30	Kimbolton	Holy Communion	Bring own masks and sanitiser
9 August	Sunday	10:30	Tilbrook	Outdoor Communion	Bring own chair and mask
		17:00	Zoom	Evening Prayer and chat	
12 August	Wednesday	10:30	Kimbolton	Holy Communion	Bring own masks and sanitiser
16 August	Sunday	10:30	Covington	Outdoor Communion	Bring own chair and mask
		17:00	Zoom	Evening Prayer and chat	
19 August	Wednesday	10:30	Kimbolton	Holy Communion	Bring own masks and sanitiser

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23 August	Sunday	10:30	Spaldwick	Outdoor Communion	Bring own chair and mask
		17:00	Zoom	Evening Prayer and chat	
26 August	Wednesday	10:30	Kimbolton	Holy Communion	Bring own masks and sanitiser
30 August	Sunday	All day	YouTube	Benefice Online Service	
2 nd September	Wednesday	10:30	Kimbolton	Holy Communion	Bring own masks and sanitiser

Date	Day	Time	Place	Service Type	Notes
6 September	Sunday	10:30	Stow Longa	Outdoor service	Bring own chair and mask
		10:30	Kimbolton	Outdoor back to school service	Bring own chair and mask
		17:00	Zoom	Evening Prayer and chat	
9 September	Wednesday	10:30	Kimbolton	Holy Communion	Bring own masks and sanitiser
13 September	Sunday	10:30	Easton	Outdoor Communion	Bring own chair and mask
		17:00	Zoom	Evening Prayer and chat	
16 September	Wednesday	10:30	Kimbolton	Holy Communion	Bring own masks and sanitiser
20 September	Sunday	10:30	Barham	Outdoor Communion	Bring own chair and mask
		17:00	Zoom	Evening Prayer and chat	
23 September	Wednesday	10:30	Kimbolton	Holy Communion	Bring own masks and sanitiser
27 September	Sunday	All day	YouTube	Benefice Harvest Festival	
30 September	Wednesday	10:30	Kimbolton	Holy Communion	Bring own masks and sanitiser

General Notes

- a) In recognition that Covid-19 restrictions will be in place for a long time, this rota is part of our plan on how we “do church” for the next 18 months plus. You’ll note that the shape is a mix of limited church services complemented by Zoom evening prayer and YouTube productions for significant festivals.

- b) This isn't a permanent rota, but is an experiment as we start getting back together. More permanent arrangements will be put in place from October.
- c) God-willing we will hold all these services outdoors. If rain is forecast we will prepare for the services indoors as long as all our Covid-19 preparations are in place. This means that the service may be moved indoors at short notice – so bring your face-masks and hand sanitizer.
- d) With that eventuality in mind, the relevant church will close for 72 hours before their service.
- e) Bring your own chair and face-covering to all services. Masks will be required if we go inside the church
- f) The greater frequency of services at Kimbolton reflect the population/demand.
- g) Regular “thoughts and prayers” will be published on our YouTube channel during the week

Wednesday Holy Communion at St Andrew's, Kimbolton. 10:30 every week.

The Wednesday communion is *not* restricted to people from Kimbolton, but seats will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Masks are compulsory, and please bring your own hand sanitizer.

Evening Prayer on Sundays

We are introducing a Sunday evening (5:00 p.m.) evening prayer using Zoom. If you'd like to join that you need to email Revd Philip on revphiliphowson@icloud.com and he will send you and invite/link.

If you don't know anything about Zoom, you can find more details here: <https://zoom.us> Just look up the section on “Meetings”

Covid-19 Security

Joint Services

We will not having 5th Sunday joint services at this stage: partly because numbers in our churches are restricted due to Covid-19, and partly because we don't want to have a joint service creating Covid-19 transmission routes across the Benefice. In their place will be jointly produced YouTube services for the 5th Sunday in the month.

Worshipping Together

Covid-19 risk plans have been drawn up for all our churches, all of which have the following requirements in common:

Preparing and managing the Building

Every church will:

- be closed to the public for 72 hours before an act of worship
- open all doors to air the building for at least one hour before the act of worship
- wipe down all high-use services after the service if there is an intention to re-open the building for public prayer within 72 hours of the end of the time of worship
- toilets (if in place) will be closed and only be made available on direct request from the church warden present. They will then ensure appropriate cleaning if required.

Entering and using the Building during Worship

These rules will be used in all our churches:

- Bring your own mask and use it once inside the church. If you don't have it with you we can't let you in.
- Numbers will be limited and once all seats are full no further access will be possible
- Arrive in good time to avoid queues forming and bunching up. Wardens will manage entry and direct as required
- Family units and "bubbles" should sit together
- Service booklets will be placed on seats in advance.
- Advise the Wardens/ministers of your name at the door to assist contact tracing if required
- Use hand sanitisers on entry to the building. These will be available in the porch.
- Observe the 2m social distancing rules

- Fill up from the front of the church using the seating marked as available or as instructed by the Wardens
- Be careful to remain in place during the service except for communion, entry, and exit.
- There will not be any singing during the service. However, music and other ways of energizing the worship will be encouraged.
- On completion of the service, exit from the seats nearest the doors first

Collections and Giving

Handling cash and envelopes is a risk factor and means we will not be passing a plate around during the service. If you normally give via cash or envelope this can be given via the collection plate on entry or exit.

The collection plate will then be put away securely for 72 hours before being counted and banked.

Please note that all our treasurers would prefer you to do your financial giving through Parish Giving or Standing Order. Please ask your Treasurer or a Warden if you want to make that change.

Movement to Receive Communion

Each church will have slightly different movement patterns for receiving communion. The general principles involve maintaining social distancing and managing movement to avoid crossing paths. The minister in charge will instruct at the beginning and during the service as required.

The general principles for receiving are:

- Bread only will be served to the congregation.
- Most churches will use a temporary table brought forward. This avoids the need to cross paths coming to the altar-rail and back
- Wear your face-mask
- The priest will wash hands before and after serving
- The bread will be covered until serving except for the priest's wafer which will be consumed by the priest.
- The priest will wear a mask and disposable gloves to serve the bread and will, as far as possible, serve at arms length.
- Congregation members will queue and come to the table as invited by either the priest or the warden. Social distancing will be observed as far as possible.
- The congregation will return to their seats in a circular route, which will be advised at the beginning of the service.
- Those unable to come and receive should notify the warden or priest in advance. If required the priest will serve you in your seat.