

All Saints, Great Braxted  
All Saints, Inworth  
All Saints, Messing

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye  
St Luke, Tolleshunt Knights with Tiptree  
St Mary, Easthorpe

St Mary, Layer Breton with Birch  
St Mary, Layer Marney  
St Michael and All Angels, Copford



*To be a transforming presence in our community, open and welcoming to all and serving all*

## Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025, Easter 4

Today's Services & Readings Acts 9:36-end\*; Psalm 23;  
Revelation 7:9-end; John 10:22-30

### St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Holy Communion *Revd Liz Barnes*  
Hymns 457, 282, 374, 463

### St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30 am Café Church in the hall (Extension) *Café Church Team*  
Hymns Light of the World, When I needed a neighbour & The  
Golden Rule  
11 am APCM & AMP  
6.30 pm The Event, Deanery Youth Group for 11-18s (*in the hall*)

### St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

10.30 am Holy Communion *Revd Liz Barnes*  
Hymns 497, 106, 206, 251 *Old hymn book*

### St Michael, Copford

10.30 am All-age Worship *Revd Julia Russell Grant*  
Hymns 170, 540, 465, 214

### All Saints', Messing

11.15 am Morning Worship *Anne Wild*

Sunday Morning Resources Online to find our sermons, readings &  
intercessions please visit our Team website: [thurstablewinstreechurches.org](http://thurstablewinstreechurches.org)

[See over page for events & our weekly notices for the coming week ...](#)

## Next Sunday's Services – Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2025 Easter 5

### St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Morning Prayer *Graham Howlett*

### St Luke's, Tiptree

*Please arrive a few minutes early, as we shall be learning a new hymn*

9.30 am Parish Communion *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw  
& Harold Toms*

### St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

10.30 am Holy Communion *Revd Liz Barnes & Sue Lyne*

### All Saints', Inworth

11.15 am Parish Communion *Revd Anne-Marie Renshaw*  
12.15 pm APCM, following morning service

### St Michael, Copford

2 pm Baptism of Rosie and Arthur Swingwood

### St Mary, Easthorpe

6 pm Holy Communion *Revd Simon Garwood*

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*For our Church weekday opening times for private prayer & visitors: please  
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### Receiving the Weekly News Sheet:

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## Church Diary for this week, Mon 12<sup>th</sup> to Sat 17<sup>th</sup> May

Tue 10 am Tiptree House Groups meet at Jenny & Christine's  
Wed 10 am Coffee, Cake and Chat at Copford Church, 'til 12 noon  
Wed **No Messing Coffee Morning** this month, next one 11<sup>th</sup> June  
Weds 8 pm Village Voices meet in the Queen Elizabeth Hall, Layer de La Haye. Details from Debbie: [dwalsham63@gmail.com](mailto:dwalsham63@gmail.com)  
Thur 2 pm Layer Breton PCC  
Thur 2 pm JB Tots meet in the Queen Elizabeth Hall (annexe) Layer de la Haye. Call Barbara, 734600 or Rina, 734495 (01206)  
Thur 7.30 pm Easthorpe APCM

### St Luke's Tiptree, regular weekly events:

Morning Prayer: is at 9 am on **Thursday only** this week  
Mon, 9.15 am Parent & Toddler; 7.30 pm Bible Study on Zoom;  
Wed 7.30 pm St Luke's Choir Practice; Thur, 10 am Holy Communion;  
Thur 2-4 pm Tiptree Food-bank open at Tiptree URC, Chapel Road;  
Thur 7.30 pm St Luke's Ladies Group: WWII D-Day – Tony Harris

## This Week, Diary Dates

**We are now advertising for Two Team Vicar posts** in our new, larger Team Ministry. Please pray for candidates who may be thinking of applying.

**Café Church at St Luke's:** this Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 9.30 am, we begin with a light breakfast in St Luke's Extension. Everyone welcome – come and join us if you haven't tried Café Church before!

**Café Church survey at St Luke's,** on 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> May we will be asking for your feedback about Café Church. This will be circulated by email, or you can pick up a copy at Café Church this Sunday. Please return your survey to church or Anne-Marie by Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May [amlrenshaw@btinternet.com](mailto:amlrenshaw@btinternet.com)

**Open Door, issue for June & July** Items for the next edition are now welcome, the deadline is this Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May. Please send these to the Editor, Martin Borgartz [m.borgartz@btinternet.com](mailto:m.borgartz@btinternet.com)

**Monday Night Bible Studies on Zoom,** we meet again this Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> May on Zoom at 7.30 pm. Contact Wendy Borgartz for the link [w.borgartz@btinternet.com](mailto:w.borgartz@btinternet.com)

**Tiptree Food Bank is in need of supplies of** Toilet cleaner, Laundry detergent, Shampoo, Potatoes, Long-life Milk, Squash and Custard

**As usual, Food Bank donations can be taken to:** The Original Factory Shop, St Luke's Church, open 9 am-4 pm daily (leave in yellow box in the church) & ASDA or dropped off at the United Reformed Church on Thursdays 2-4 pm.

## APCM & AMP dates 2025

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May, 11 am Tiptree with Tolleshunt Knights & Gt Braxted  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May, Easthorpe 7.30 pm in the Church Hall  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May, Inworth 12.15 pm after the service  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May, Layer Marney 7.30 pm in church

## Diary Dates & Looking Ahead

**Christian Aid Fundraising 5 mile walk for Guatemala** Jill and Adrienne from Kelvedon & Feering are doing the London Freedom Walk on May 10<sup>th</sup> to raise funds for Guatemala, which is struggling after a three year drought.

To support them go to: [fundraise.christianaid.org.uk/fundraiser-2025/London](https://fundraise.christianaid.org.uk/fundraiser-2025/London)

**Colchester Area Team Conference: "Leading your church into growth" at Gt Notley, 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> May,** we need three people to make up a team of five from St Luke's. This is a good course, although quite a big commitment - sessions run Friday evening, Saturday and on Sunday afternoon. To join us and for details please contact Wendy Borgartz [w.borgartz@btinternet.com](mailto:w.borgartz@btinternet.com)

**No Lunch at the Exchange in May (closed on Bank Holiday Monday),** we next meet in June on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup>. We hope to see you there.

**"Can anybody hear me?" - a training session for those who read in church or lead prayers and those who might like to start doing this,** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June, 7.30 pm at St Luke's, Tiptree. We will be covering how to read well with or without a mic and how to structure and lead prayers well. All are welcome.

**Diary Date for Copford 900: A Celebratory Concert with Apollo5,** Thursday June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 pm. Apollo5 [magnificentrumours.com/apollo5](https://magnificentrumours.com/apollo5) are an Acapella choir of five voices with impeccable harmonies and diverse repertoire, and based in London. To purchase tickets, £25 each see: [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/apollo5-at-copford-church-tickets-1291221772079?aff=oddtcreatorx](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/apollo5-at-copford-church-tickets-1291221772079?aff=oddtcreatorx)  
*Marcus Gregson, Friends of Copford Church.*

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Day off - Friday

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Works Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, available for phone enquiries from 10 am to 12.30 pm on the mobile: 07421 078981 (with voicemail). I am **available in St Luke's Church at the Office:** on Tuesday afternoon by appointment only & on Thursday from 10 am to 12.30 pm. The office number is 01621 819557 (with voice-mail).

St Luke's Hall bookings: Gareth Williams, 01621 818069 [hall.stlukestiptree@btinternet.com](mailto:hall.stlukestiptree@btinternet.com)



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