

Together

in the churches of
St Mary the Virgin Dodford,
St Mary Everdon,
St Peter & St Paul Weedon Bec



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Worship:

Sunday May 4 th <i>Easter 3</i> <i>White</i>	9.30am Weedon 11.00am Dodford	Sunday Worship Holy Communion
Wednesday May 7 th <i>White</i>	10.30am Weedon	Worship and Bible Time
Thursday May 8 th	7.00pm Weedon	VE 80 service
Sunday May 11 th <i>Easter 4</i> <i>White</i>	9.30am Weedon 11.00am Everdon	Holy Communion Holy Communion
Sunday May 18 th <i>Easter 5</i> <i>White</i>	9.30am Weedon	Holy Communion
Wednesday May 21 st	10.30am Riverside Court	Prayer and Praise
Sunday May 25 th <i>Easter 6</i> <i>White</i>	9.30am Weedon 11.00am Everdon	Holy Communion Morning Prayer
Thursday May 29 th <i>Ascension Day</i> <i>White</i>	7.00pm Weedon	Holy Communion

Morning Prayer is said in Weedon church Mon-Sat at 9am.

Readings*:

May 4 th	Acts 9. 1-20	John 21.1-19
May 11 th	Acts 9. 36-end	John 10.22-30
May 18 th	Acts 11. 1-18	John 13.31-35
May 25 th	Acts 16. 9-15	John 14.23-29

The whole of May is in the Easter Season. We remember Jesus appearing to the disciples, encouraging them with the constant refrain 'Peace be with you'. We pray that this may be Jesus' call to us, that nationally and internationally we might strive for peace.

This year, that call for peace is more poignant as we come to mark 80 years since VE Day. A day when peace, at last, came to us in the European war. As we remember the sacrifice made by many, and the brave work done by many others, may we respond by looking and working for peace in all situations in which we have influence.

Prayers:

- For all those who share their memories of VE Day. For all who suffer or lose loved ones because of war.
- For our brothers and sisters in the Roman Catholic Church as they mourn Pope Francis and elect a new Pope.
- For those in countries where conflict continues. For wisdom for the leaders of the nations that they may all seek peace and justice.
- For all who are ill and those who care for them.

Social events and groups around the benefice:

Tue May 6th 2-4pm Craft 'n' Chat Weedon Chapter House

Thurs May 8th 6.30pm Peel of Bells for VE 80 followed by a service in Weedon Church at 7pm, lighting of peace candles and the lighting of the beacon in the churchyard at 8pm approximately.

Sat May 10th 1-4pm VE80 Celebration Garden Party at Weedon Bec Primary School.

Tue May 13th Mothers' Union outing

Thurs May 29th 2 for 2.30pm Cinema Club Weedon Chapter House

Sat May 31st 9.30am Weedon Church cleaning with breakfast

PCC meetings:

Dodford's APCM will be on Thursday, 29th May at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Please, pray for all those who have volunteered their time and expertise to administer your Church.

Regular Events

Bellringing practice in **Weedon** is on Wednesday evenings at 7.45pm – newcomers welcome.

Bellringing practice in **Everdon** is on Mondays from 7.30pm to 9pm. All are welcome.

The monthly clean of Weedon Church now happens on the last Saturday of the month at 9.30am.

Please check dates and times before attending – sometimes they are changed.

Easyfundraising

Sign up to raise funds for Weedon Church at

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-peter-and-st-paul-church-weedon-bec>

Something to think about –

"We look forward to the time when the power to love will replace the love of power. Then will our world know the blessings of peace."

William Ellery Channing