

Together

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



January 2026

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Worship:

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| Sunday Jan 4th <i>Epiphany</i> <i>White</i> | 9.30am Weedon 11.00am Dodford | Sunday Worship Holy Communion |
| Wednesday Jan 7th | 10.30am Weedon | Worship and Bible Time |
| Sunday Jan 11th <i>Baptism of Christ</i> <i>White</i> | 9.30am Weedon 11.00am Everdon | Sunday Worship Holy Communion |
| <i>January 18th to 25th Week of Prayer for Christian Unity</i> | | |
| Sunday Jan 18th <i>Epiphany 2</i> <i>White</i> | 9.30am Weedon | Holy Communion |
| Wednesday Jan 21st | 10.30am Riverside Court | Prayer and Praise |
| Sunday Jan 25th <i>Conversion of St Paul</i> <i>White</i> | 9.30am Weedon 11.00am Everdon | Holy Communion Morning Prayer |

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

Readings:

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| Jan 4 th | Isaiah 60.1-6 | Matthew 2.1-12 |
| Jan 11 th | Isaiah 42.1-9 | Matthew 3.13-end |
| Jan 18 th | Isaiah 49.1-7 | John 1.29-42 |
| Jan 25 th | Acts 9.1-22 | Matthew 19.27-end |

A very happy New Year to everyone. As a church we begin January with the visit of the wise men to the baby Jesus; they came 'from the East' implying that they were not part of the Jewish nation. Their visit to the Christ child reminds us that Jesus came for everyone. We then rapidly move on to the Baptism of Jesus during which God spoke confirming Jesus as his Son. Jesus is truly alongside us in everything. From 18th to 25th January we mark the week of Christian Unity; we pray that all who call themselves Christians may work

together. This year will also mark change as it is planned that our benefice will come to an end as Weedon and Dodford move to be with Flore, Heyford, Stowe and Brockhall, and Everdon moves to the Knightley Benefice. We ask for God's guidance that we may work together in what will be a new beginning for all involved.

Prayers:

- For those preparing for baptism or confirmation, and the parents and godparents of infants to be baptised.
- For all who have made New Year resolutions which may mark a new beginning.
- For greater unity among the Christian Churches.
- For greater steps towards peace in the troubled areas of our world.
- For friends and neighbours who are suffering through illness, anxiety or bereavement.

PCC meetings:

Thurs Jan 29th 5pm Everdon PCC Three Ways House

Thurs Jan 29th 7pm Weedon PCC Weedon Chapter House

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

Social events and groups around the benefice:

Tue Jan 5th 2-4pm Craft 'n' Chat Weedon Chapter House

Thur Jan 15th 7pm Weedon Events Planning Weedon Chapter House

Thur Jan 29th 2.00pm Weedon Cinema Weedon Chapter House

Sat Jan 31st 9.30am Weedon Church cleaning.

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 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>

This does not cost you or the church anything and ensures a donation to the church for many things which you might buy online.

Something to think about –

‘If you do not hope, you will not find out what is beyond your hopes.’

St Clement of Alexandria