

Happy New Year

Welcome to the first Ramblings of the new year. Not much going on at the moment so little to report. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and are looking forward to the year ahead.

The merger of our benefice with the Hingham group and the appointment of a new Priest-in-charge doesn't appear to have moved any further forward, though the Bishop has requested a meeting with the appointment representatives. We shall see what comes from that meeting.

The only change to the service rota for this year is that Little Ellingham has moved its morning service on the second Sunday to the evening. So both its regular services are being held at 6pm in the evening of the second and third Sunday of the month.

All the other churches remain the same. Of course there will be 'special' services on the fifth Sunday of the month and on special occasions which will be advertised via the Ramblings.

The Benefice service remains a service of Holy Communion on the fourth Sunday of the month with the choir in attendance and hosted by each church in the Shellrock benefice in turn.

Events this week

Sunday 7th January, First Sunday of Epiphany, Baptism of Christ

Readings (Year B): Genesis 1 v 1-5 Psalm 29

Acts 19 v 1-7 Mark 1 v 4-11

(If Epiphany is to be celebrated this Sunday then the readings are:

Isaiah 60 v 1-6, Psalm 72 v [1-9] 10-15, Ephesians 3 v 1-12, Matthew 2 v 1-12)

10.30am St James, Great Ellingham Holy Communion 10.30am Rockland St Peter Family Service

Sunday 14th January, Second Sunday of Epiphany

Readings (Year B): 1 Samuel 3 v 1-10 [11-20] Psalm 139 v 1-5, 12-18

Revelation 5 v 1-10 John 1 v 43-end

9.30am St James, Great Ellingham Cafe Church, service starts at 10.30am

6.00pm St Peter, Little Ellingham Evening Prayer

Looking forward......

24 January Choir practice

If you have an event planned and wish it to be advertised, please let me know. CT

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