



**SUNDAY 23 MARCH: LENT 3**

**COLLECT**

Eternal God,  
give us insight  
to discern your will for us,  
to give up what harms us,  
and to seek the perfection we are promised  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.



**Benington & Walkern  
Church Services**

**Sunday 23 March: Lent 3**

St Mary's, Walkern	9.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Mark Bailey
Benington Methodist Church	10.30am	Morning Worship	Peter Rogers
United Reformed Church, Walkern	3.00pm	Holy Communion	Rev Stan Chatikobo

**Sunday 30 March: Lent 4 / Mothering Sunday**

St Mary's, Walkern	9.30am	Family Holy Communion Service with Benington Primary School	Rev Mark Bailey
Benington Methodist Church	10.30am	Morning Worship	Rev Immanuel Onabanjo

**Baptisms**     

Bobby George Barker	Sunday 23 March	2.00pm	St Lawrence, Ardeley
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# Funerals



Linda and Reg Oakley

Friday 28  
March

3.00pm

St Mary's Walkern

## Walkern & Benington Food Bank: St Mary's church in Walkern on Wednesday mornings 9.30-10.30.

We are very grateful to everyone who gives so generously to our Foodbank. Your help is very much appreciated and still badly needed. Any of the following products are in demand.

Tea	Rice - microwaveable	Tinned vegetables
Coffee	Cleaning and laundry products	Tinned soup
Milk	Children's snacks and drinks	Tinned fruit
Snacks	Toilet rolls	Tinned custard & rice pudding
Sugar	Tinned fish/ meat	Baked beans
Biscuits	Tinned tomatoes	Toiletries
Pasta	Sanitary products	Pasta sauce
Cereal		Washing up liquid
Pies		

**Sorry - but we can't take items that are past their 'use by' date.**

Beverly Harlow on 07881588662 or [bevharlow16@gmail.com](mailto:bevharlow16@gmail.com).



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### Jennifer Newton

The Funeral of Jennifer Newton will take place on  
**Monday 7th April at  
Holy Trinity, Bengoe.**



### Rev'd John Walker

The Funeral of Rev'd John Walker will take place on  
**Wednesday 9th April at 2.00pm in  
All Saints Church, Sandon.**

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date in the United Reformed Church, Walkern.

# WALKERN HALL SG2 7JA

## DAFFODILS

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> / Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March.

Garden open 12-4p.m.

Daffodil Teas available  
in aid of St Mary's Walkern

## Lunch Club: 17 April

£7 per head, pay on the day. We'll be cooking

**Chicken Pie with seasonal vegetables  
followed by Lemon Posset,  
cheese board, tea & coffee.**

**Sign up at Coffee Morning or contact:**

Heather Ferguson

01438 869 340 [heatherjferguson@btinternet.com](mailto:heatherjferguson@btinternet.com)



**For your diary: 2025 Lunch Club Dates:**

May 15; June 19; July 17; August 14;

September 18; October 16; November 13; December 11.

# Quiet Space

Saturday 12 April, 2 – 4pm  
Steve Mason, United Reformed Church, Walkern

## United Reformed Church: Lent Lunch

The Lent Lunch at the URC raised £100 for the Gaza appeal from the charity “Embrace the Middle East”

## PRAYER REQUESTS

*Named requests for prayer will be included on the notice sheet for at least one month. If you would like a name to be included for our intercessions, please contact the Parish Office [ubbw@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ubbw@hotmail.co.uk) or 07407 630159 or Maggie Hawkins (359500) for Walkern. (Names from the prayer board in St Mary’s Church will also be included in the intercessions in that church.) Prayer is regularly offered for all the sick and needy in our community.*

## FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Those who live in our villages:** This week we pray for all who live in Rookery Close, Walkern and High Elms Lane, Benington.

**We pray for those in our parishes or friends and family members who are housebound, unwell, receiving treatment or recovering from operations:**

Katie Tysome (Walkern), Jane Pitts (Walkern), Katya and Tania (Walkern), Laurie Hawkins (Walkern) and Brian King (Benington).

**We also remember those who have died and their families and friends:**

Linda and Reg Oakley (Walkern), Jennifer Newton (Benington) and Rev John Walker (Walkern).

## Wedding, Funerals and Baptisms

If you need to arrange a baptism, funeral or wedding, please contact our Vicar, Rev Mark Bailey on [mdbailey066@gmail.com](mailto:mdbailey066@gmail.com) 01763 281052.

St Mary’s churchwardens are also available to help:

Maggie Hawkins: [margaret15a@hotmail.com](mailto:margaret15a@hotmail.com) (01438 359 500)

Beverley Harlow: [bevharlow16@gmail.com](mailto:bevharlow16@gmail.com) (01438 225 365)

St Mary’s Safeguarding Officer: Beverley Harlow

**Benington Methodist Church:** Steward: Peter Davies (01438 227293)

**United Reformed Church, Walkern:** Secretary: Mrs Olga Ginn (01438 861754)