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# MARCH 2023

**The Benefice of Hedon, Paull, Sproatley and Preston**  
**Benefice Bulletin**



A few days ago I read an article in the newspaper about painting and stripping furniture. As is often the case, the comments in the online version were every bit as interesting than the article itself.

Some people just thought the whole business too much work or too messy, but, generally, people were in favour of giving a new lease of life to old, but solid, furniture. On the negative side there was outrage over the green stripe that had been added to a rather beautiful, probably Edwardian, walnut dressing table. I joined in the outrage! Altering something high quality and beautiful has to be done with thought, expertise and care, and it didn't seem to me or others that the poor dressing had experienced any of them.

The other pieces were transformed from the sort of thing relegated to the shed or garage for a few years on its way to the tip- sorry, recycling centre- into objects to be used and enjoyed in people's homes for years to come.

Intuitively, we know this is good, even if we're not keen on the stripping and painting process itself; It's good from the spiritual point of view. By bringing the object back into use and making it appreciated again, we're recognising and caring for the materials God has given us, in this case wood, which required a tree, water and sunlight to be brought into being. We're also honouring the skill and effort of the person who made the piece in the first place, and all human work has value in God's world.

Upcycling of many types is, it seems, likely to be with us for some time, if only for economic reasons. Let's embrace it- we might even learn to enjoy it.

Rev. Sue

## **CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HEDON and DISTRICT**

### **Lenten Lunches**

Each **Wednesday** the different Christian Communities of the area will provide a Lunch of soup/cheese and bread in return for a donation to the **Hull Homeless and Rootless**. All Lunches will be held in

**All Saints Church, Preston**

**at 12.00pm**

**on the five middle Wednesdays in Lent:**

(Wednesdays: 1<sup>st</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> March 2023)

**ALL ARE WELCOME !**

Each of the 5 lunches will be followed by a

**Lenten Talk**

by different denominations on

**Five Days of Holy Week**

for about half an hour for those who would like to stay.



Presents

An Evening with

Angus Ashworth

of

The Yorkshire Auction House  
fame

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March

7.30pm

Sproatley Village Hall

Tickets £5

from Sproatley Village Shop

Or call 01482 817887

Light refreshments Bring items for valuation

In aid of Save St Swithin's Restoration Fund

**March Service Schedule.**

Wednesday 1st March Celtic Eucharist at Hedon 10-00am  
Friday 3rd February Evening Prayer at Hedon 6-00pm

Sunday 5th March  
Hedon 9-30am Holy Communion  
Paull 11-15 Morning Praise.  
Preston 11-30am Holy Communion (joint with Sproatley)

Wed 8th March Celtic Communion- 10-00am  
Friday 10th March Evening Prayer at Hedon- 6-00pm

Sunday 12th March  
Hedon 9-30 Holy Communion  
Sproatley 11-15am Holy Communion (joint with Preston)

Wednesday 15th March Celtic Communion at Hedon- 10-00am  
Friday 17th March Evening Prayer at Hedon- 6-00pm

Sunday 19th March  
Hedon 2-30pm Mothering Sunday Service  
Preston 11-15am Morning Prayer  
Sproatley 10-00am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 22nd March Celtic Communion at Hedon- 10-00am  
Friday 24th March Evening Prayer at Hedon- 6-00pm

Sunday 26th March  
Hedon Holy Communion 11-15am  
Preston 10-30am Service at Preston Methodist Church  
Sproatley 10-00am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 29th March Celtic Communion at Hedon- 10-00am  
Friday 31st March Evening Prayer at Hedon- 6-00pm.

**St Augustine's Hedon:**

Every Tuesday morning coffee mornings,  
and

Pantry (foodbank) 10-30 to 12-00 noon every Thursday

**St Andrew's Paul**

**St Swithin's Church, Sproatley**

- Coffee mornings in the Village Hall will be 13th and 27th March 10-00am to 11-30am.
- An Evening with Angus Ashworth from tv's Yorkshire Auction House fame 24th March at 7-30pm in Sproatley Village Hall . Tickets £5 from Sproatley Village Shop or call Denise 01482 817887.
- Church open five days per week, Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at least between 10-00am and 4-00pm, and Sunday afternoons until 4-00pm, subject to services taking place (regular and occasional).

**All Saints Preston**

Preston Church is open on Saturday Mornings for  
Coffee/Tea and Biscuits and CHAT  
All Welcome

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH PRESTON**

**QUIZ NIGHT**

Community Hall

Friday 17th March at 7-30pm

Refreshments, licensed bar and raffle

Entry £3 per person

To book call 01482 896631