St Benet's Abbey Annual Service is today (27th) 3.30 at St Benet's Abbey NR12 8NJ A moving ecumenical open air service in the presence of the Bishop of Norwich at the historic site of St Benet's Abbey, alongside the river Bure.

Stella N is Skydiving! On the 4th September I will be Skydiving from Beccles airfield. It is in celebration of my 85th year - a little early but November is not a good time to do it! I am fundraising for Tapping House Hospice who looked after my sister and the family at the end of her life. They were great in giving her total respect and were so kind to the family. You can donate to their JustGiving page

here https://www.justgiving.com/page/stella-noons-1?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=EM

by clicking

The Gathering will be today (27th) at St Peter's Ringland. 3.00pm to 5.00pm. Faith, Food, Family Fun and figuring our life together

Rev Phil's trip to PNG donations can still be made for Phil's trip to Granville

Funeral for Margaret Smith will be on Tuesday 5th August at 2.00pm

Tescos Drayton are inviting us to buy a stone and decorate it – in aid of Hall School

Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns or queries please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor: safeguarding@dioceseofnorwich.org 01603 882345 Address: Safeguarding Team, Bishop's House, Norwich, NR3 1SB. Or visit the Diocesan web pages:

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Financial giving to our life and ministry St Edmund's Bank details are:

Name of account: Taverham Parochial Church Council (Please note there is a space between each of these words) Sort Code: 20 – 62 – 68: Barclays

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Welcome to St Edmund's Church Taverham

27th July 2025



'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

Luke 11:9 - 10

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Prayer for this week

Merciful God,
you have prepared
for those who love you
such good things as pass our
understanding:
pour into our hearts
such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and
above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings this week

Genesis 18: 20 - 32 Colossians 2: 6 - 15 Luke 11: 1 - 13

People to pray for

For the 12,000 youngsters at Newday at the Showground this week. A Christian gathering of teaching and worship. We pray for the work of the Holy Spirit and give thanks for this ministry

For those we know whose lives are hard or are grieving at this time

Thought for this week

In our Gospel reading the disciples come to Jesus asking, 'Teach us to pray'. These are men (and women and children) who have been praying since childhood in their family gatherings, in the synagogues and temple, even each day. Now they ask Jesus to teach them to pray. In other words in the life – changing, sincere, open and honest way He prays to the Father.

It has been the end of term this week. Many young people are now planning their summer, thinking about the next stage of life, moving classes or even schools, or moving to higher education or into employment. So many changes, and so many journeys.

Jesus tells a parable of a friend on a journey who comes at midnight, asking for food. Jesus is speaking about prayer. Turning to the Father in prayer for the grace and mercy, love and strength we each need day. Persisting in prayer and being bold in prayer to ask, "knock and the door will be opened to you".

We are each on our journey in life. Are we persistent in our prayers? Are we bold in asking? Do we expect the Lord to answer? Do we look for the answers? Jesus reassures us and challenges us. Prayer is such a privilege. With faith in Jesus it is such a gift in all life brings us. **P**

What's on

Sunday 8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Mustard Tree Church 11.15am Service of the Word Monday 5.00pm Prayers Tuesday 10.30am Tuesdays at St Ed's 6.00pm Rspace Wednesday 10.30am Holy Communion Thursday 9.00am Caretaking team in church 7.00pm Compline at St Ed's 9.30am Arts Group at Trinity Friday Saturday 12.30pm Wedding of Laura Franks and Charlie Bartram Sunday 9.30am Mustard Tree Church 11.15am Holy Communion

Our Livestreams continue as follows:

Every Sunday 11.15am Livestream team (except 1st of month)

St Peter's Ringland

Sunday 27th July The Gathering, 3.00pm to 5.00pm

Sunday 10th August 10.30am Service at St Peter's

Sunday 24th August The Gathering, 3.00pm to 5.00pm