

Rev Phil's trip to Papua New Guinea Rev Phil will be travelling to PNG as part of the Diocesan Link to support the Christian Churches. If anyone would like to make a donation to support this work, please speak to Rev Phil directly. We also celebrate his 70th birthday today which will happen while he is on Sabbatical.

Thank you for all your very kind thoughts and good wishes for my 65th birthday. They are much appreciated! Rev Paul

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

St Benet's Abbey Annual Service is on Sunday 27th July 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. The Bishop will arrive by wherry.

Safeguarding

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

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

Account number: 80881600



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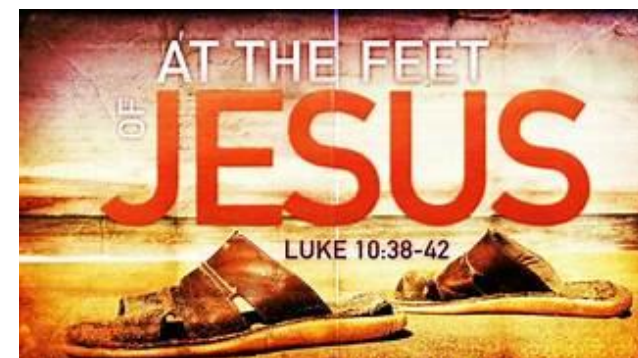
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Welcome to St Edmund's Church Taverham

20th July 2025



"Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

Luke 10 : 41 - 42

 St Edmund's Church Taverham
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Prayer for this week

Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of the
Church
is governed and sanctified:
hear our prayer which we offer for all
your faithful people,
that in their vocation and ministry
they may serve you in holiness and truth
to the glory of your name;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus
Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Almighty God,
send down upon your Church
the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings this week

Genesis 18 : 1 – 10a
Colossians 1 : 15 - 28
Luke 10 : 38 - 42

People to pray for

For children and staff in our school as
they come to the holidays.

For those looking for work for the first
time, or changing jobs

Thought for this week

As we come towards the school holidays
this week our Gospel reading features
activity and rest. Jesus comes to the
home of Martha and Mary, where
Martha is busy making the visit as
comfortable, and presumably
honouring, as possible, while Mary sits at
Jesus' feet and listens to Him.

Yet Jesus is once again turning
everything upside down, and
challenging us in what is most important
in our lives. Mary is 'sitting at Jesus' feet',
a sign of being a disciple, and listener
and learner from a great teacher. At the
time only men would have done this, but
Jesus is accepting Mary in this role and
encouraging her. And the work in a
house would have been the woman's
task, yet again Jesus is challenging
Martha for her to stop and instead listen
to His teaching.

Undoubtedly our lives are too busy these
days, and often we are preoccupied
with worthy and helpful things. Yet to be
a Martha we need first to be a Mary. As
churches we need first to listen, learn
and grow in Jesus in order to do His work

In listening to Jesus Mary is not resting,
but listening, growing, following Him. We
are called to grow in our faith in Jesus
through his word, through prayer, and
opening our lives to Jesus changing us **P**

What's on

Sunday 9.30am Mustard Tree Church
11.15am Holy Communion
Monday 5.00pm Prayers
Tuesday 9.30am Year 6 Leavers'
service
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
Friday 9.30am Arts Group at Trinity
11.00am Wedding of Ben Cox
and Chloe Manning
Sunday 8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Mustard Tree Church
11.15am Service of the Word

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