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

Sad news Sondra Cummins died peacefully on 29th July. She was a wonderfully faithful and prayerful Christian who encouraged many by her faith and witness. Our prayers are with her family and her many friends.

Funeral for Margaret Smith will be on Tuesday 5th August at 2.00pm at St Ed's, followed by refreshments in church

Tescos Drayton are inviting us to buy a stone and decorate it – in aid of Hall School. The stones are available for a donation of £1 from the Customer Services desk at Drayton Tescos

Confirmation we are likely to have a Confirmation service in the new year. Please speak to Rev Paul if you or someone you know is interested

Safeguarding

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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

3rd August 2025



"And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a parable....."

Luke 12:15-16

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Prayers for this week

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver
of all good things:
graft in our hearts
the love of your name,
increase in us true faith,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy
keep us in the same;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord
Amen

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; Amen

Readings this week

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12 – 14, 2:18 - 23 Colossians 3:1 - 11

Luke 12:13-21

People to pray for

For farmers in our own nation, and those who are struggling in different parts of the world

For young people seeking work for the first time

Thought for this week

The field next to our house has just been harvested. It lasted most of the day. Huge trucks and machines to deal with the whole field all in one day. Clearly it was plentiful, and safely gathered.

Jesus speaks about a farmer gathering his crops. There is more than enough. We think of a plentiful harvest, of abundance, coming from the Lord is His provision and grace. Yet not when the object is to hoard. To gloat. To keep the blessing to ourselves. Not when the plenty becomes an object in itself. Pushing the Lord, the provider, out.

Jesus calls us back constantly to the Kingdom. To the outpouring of the Lord's love and mercy, the sheer generosity of His presence with us, His loving kindness for everyone. This is an abundance we can only receive through an awareness of our poverty, our hunger, our undeservedness. We have to be emptied, to be filled.

Jesus emptied Himself, and took the road to humiliation and suffering on the Cross, so we can know His saving power and love in our lives. This is the true harvest, of all who turn to Jesus and are saved. This is the true blessing, that fills our lives to overflowing. In humility and thankfulness, the Gospel we are called to share.

What's on

Sunday 9.30am Mustard Tree Church

11.15am Holy Communion

Monday 5.00pm Prayers

Tuesday 10.30am Tuesdays at St Ed's

2.00pm Thanksgiving service for Margaret Smith

6.00pm Rspace

Wednesday 10.30am Holy Communion

2.00pm Burial of ashes

Thursday 9.00am Caretaking team in

church

7.00pm Compline at St Ed's

Friday 9.30am Arts Group at Trinity

Saturday 10.00am Baptism

Sunday 8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Mustard Tree Church
11.15am Livestream service

Our Livestreams continue as follows:

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

St Peter's Ringland

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

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

Sunay 14th September 10.30am Harvest and dedication of Eleni