

Pew Sheet 27 July 2025

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

A warm welcome to all visitors to church on this day

Today's Services:

10am Holy Communion St Mary the Virgin, Great Bradley
6pm Evensong (BCP) St Peter and St Paul Kedington

Services this week:

Evening Prayer 5pm Monday St Peter and St Paul's Kedington except Bank Holidays
Wednesday 10am Said Holy Communion St Peter and St Paul's Kedington

Services next Sunday

10am Holy Communion All Saints Little Bradley
10am Family Service St Peter and St Paul Kedington

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Collect: 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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

First reading	Genesis 18 v 20 - 32
Second reading	Colossians 2 v 6 - 15
Gospel reading	Luke 11 v 1 - 13

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Hear The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

All Glory to you O Lord

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial.

And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

'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. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you O Christ

Post Communion prayer: God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Home Communions - Pastoral Care:

The Blessed Sacrament is perpetually reserved for the Communion of the housebound, the sick and dying. Please inform Fr Chris or a member of the ministry team, of parishioners who are sick or in hospital, and of those who are in need of pastoral care. **The Sacrament of Reconciliation** by arrangement with the Rector

Prayer List

Our prayers are asked particularly for:

Terry Chittock – Charlie – Jacob and his family – Leo and Val Farthing – Jackie
Andrew Pound – Freya – Ann Daplyn – Judy Jesky – Bryan Chambers
Graeme Van de Zande – Orla – Pat Pearse – Bob Torrens – King Charles

We also pray for others. Those who have asked to be remembered in our prayers in church and at home.

We pray for those that have recently died and whose loss we mourn:

Tim Valente

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord

All And let light perpetual shine upon them

May they rest in peace

All And rise in glory

An invitation: If you wish to receive communion please come forward when guided by the stewards. Members of other churches who usually receive communion are welcome to do so here. Those not wishing to receive communion are welcome to come for a blessing; it is helpful if you indicate this by bringing your service booklet with you. If you find it difficult to come to the altar rail, please tell this to the steward on duty, so communion may be brought to you in your seat.

Gluten free Communion wafers are available – please ask when you come up to the altar rail.

Sharing of the common cup is permitted. However, if you do not wish to receive from the Chalice, please say 'Intinct' as the Priest approaches you, and they will intinct the wafer in Consecrated wine from a separate Chalice.

Notices

Forthcoming events:

Please send me details of events you wish to publicise by email or phone, and I will do my best to include it (subject to space):

Fr Chris Giles – stourheadbenefice@gmail.com 01440 762901

Church Coffee Morning “Dolce Gusto” 10am until 12 noon every Tuesday at St Peter and St Paul’s Church in Kedington.

Sunday 27 July West Suffolk Classic Car Show in Kedington 10am until 4pm.

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Little Thurlow Garden Party Saturday 16 August 5pm until 8pm at Little Thurlow Hall. BBQ available for donations. Bar.

Sunday 31 August **Holy Communion at St Mary's Little Wratting followed by Summer Brunch**. All are welcome to stay.

Kedington Churchyard Gardening Morning Saturday 6 September 9am until 1pm.

Thurlow Fayre - 7 September. 10am - 4pm on Thurlow Recreation Ground.

Great Wratting Parish Council are organising a **village BBQ on Friday 12 September 2025** from 6pm until 9pm in the Paddock, the meadow adjacent to the Gt Wratting Beacon. Cambridge Jazz company will be providing music. The team from the Wratting Red Lion will be running a bar, cash or card payments. BBQ food will also be on sale. Burgers £5 each and hot dogs £2.50. Cash only for the food. Please book in advance with Terry Holloway terryholloway.33@btinternet.com including any dietary requirements.

Suffolk Historical Churches Ride and Stride Saturday 13 September. If you have agreed to open your parish church on this day, you should have received the pack of forms and documents by now. Please ensure the church is unlocked or leave refreshments and the sign-in sheets in the porch. On the same day, the Classic Cars will begin their drive at Gt Thurlow at 10am.

Saturday 20 September 2025

Kedington Church "Home-made and Home-grown" in the church. Contact Jill Davis for a schedule or find it on this link

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/698448394584248>

Kedington Church Summer Fete 20 September on the meadow off church walk, by kind permission. BBQ and Bar from 1pm. All other traditional stalls open 2pm. Prizegiving and auction of produce 4pm.

Little Bradley Barn Dance Saturday 18 October 2025. Details to follow.

Safeguarding – Safeguarding is about caring for one another and our community. As Christians, this is something we all need to do. If you would like any training or have any questions; please contact Fr Chris or another member of the Ministry team. Benefice Safeguarding Officers are Naomi Shelmerdine and Ruth Hopper contact phone number is 07405 624132

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