

Prayer intentions this week

O God, you declare your almighty power
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity:
mercifully grant to us such a measure of
your grace,
that we, running the way of your
commandments,
may receive your gracious promises,
and be made partakers of your heavenly
treasure;
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.
(or)
God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your
kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Merciful Father,
who chose your bishop Gregory
to be a servant of the servants of God:
grant that, like him, we may ever long to
serve you
by proclaiming your gospel to the nations,
and may ever rejoice to sing your praises;
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.

Those recently married:

AJ and Hannah

Those in need

Sarah Davis	Kelly Sanderson
Stephen Milner	Eric Dunstan
Roy Wallis	Ann Kuczak
Beverley Reaney	Lindsay Richards
Francis Berryman	Rebecca Ormian
Margaret Johnson	Teresa Nicholls

Those who have died recently

Casey Poponne	Stella Rimmington
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Those recently laid to rest:

Jack Clarke

Those in our year's mind

Di Wells	Kenneth Keith
Kath Crisp	Patricia Forster
Derek Thackray	Gwen Skerry

***Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord; and
let light perpetual shine upon them***

Nar Valley Benefice

Welcome to all

We are always welcome in God's house and
greet one another with joy.
Just before worship, we quieten ourselves
to be met by God in prayer, word, and
sacrament.

This Sunday 31st August is the eleventh Sunday after Trinity (green)

10.30am at Pentney CW Benefice sung Eucharist

The scriptures are: Proverbs 25.6-7
Hebrews 13.1-8,15-16 & Luke 14.1,7-14
The hymns are: 623,425,99,223

Wednesday 3rd September St Gregory the great, teacher (white)

9am at Narborough CW midweek Eucharist

The scriptures are:
1Thessalonians 2.3-8 & Matthew 13.52-end

Next Sunday 7th September 2025 is the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity (green)

8.30am at Newton BCP Holy Communion

The scriptures are:
Philemon 1-21 & Luke 14.25-33

10.30am at Castle Acre CW Morning Praise

The scriptures are: Psalm 1
Philemon 1-21 & Luke 14.25-33

10.30am at Narborough CW sung Eucharist

The scriptures are: Deuteronomy 30.15-20,
Philemon 1-21 & Luke 14.25-33
The hymns are: 127,334,627,556(omit
starred verses)

Children?

We love it when babies or children of any age come to church. We do not expect them to impersonate adults. Please feel relaxed if they wander about. In both Castle Acre and Narborough there are dedicated children's spaces in the worship area and quiet rooms at the back of church. Do use them if they are a help to you.

Use hearing aids?

There are hearing loop systems in Castle Acre, Narborough & Pentney Churches

Safeguarding

We are committed to safeguarding children, young people and adults from harm. We follow the House of Bishops' guidance and policies. Each church has its own Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO). Their contact details are :

Castle Acre

Dr Ilga Chakrabarti (01760 755368)

Pentney

Andrew Smith (01760 755102)

Narborough & Narford

Joan Upton (01760 337053)

West Acre

Henry Birkbeck (01760 755254)

South Acre

James Stephenson (01760 337901)

Newton

Tony Bell (01760 755506)

Contact our Diocesan safeguarding team
safeguarding@dioceseofnorwich.org or
01603 882345

Sue Brice, diocesan safeguarding advisor
sue.brice@dioceseofnorwich.org or
07958377079

If you have immediate concerns about the safety of someone, please contact the police and your local authority's children or adult social care services.

Contact details

Mother Angela is very happy to be contacted on her landline **01760 338552** or by email **narvalleyrector@hotmail.com**
Her usual rest day is Friday.

Father Richard balances a full-time job with being a priest. He is happy to be contacted by email **richardgranthowells4@gmail.com** or on his mobile **07802432594**

Churchwardens for each church may be rung at home. They are all volunteers.

Castle Acre:

David Bowman 01603 483658

Anne Loch 01760 755403

Narborough:

James Stephenson 01760 337901

Newton:

Tony Bell 01760 755506

Stephen Laing 01760 755455

Pentney

Sue Neep 01760 338037

Andrew Smith 01760755102

South Acre:

Davina Barber 01760 755618

West Acre:

Henry Birkbeck 01760 755254

Present and future events

Castle Acre PCC at the Rectory 10.30am followed by lunch on **Monday 1st September**

At noon on **Monday 8th September** there will be prayer during the day at **Narford church** for their **patronal festival**

Saturday 13th September. Raise money for your church by participating in the **sponsored walk/cycle/drive** visiting churches. Alternatively, be present to welcome visitors to our church buildings.

Saturday 13th September. **Narford church** will be **open** for a least the last part of the morning and for prayer during the day at noon.

West Acre PCC in the Estate Office at 4pm on **Thursday 25th September**

Recent events

Thanks and congratulations to all involved in the Castle Acre flower festival. It was a triumph of creativity and community building. Almost £1000 was raised.

Many thanks to the Friends of Castle Acre church for the most enjoyable summer entertainment with 3s Company and friends