

## **Pew Sheet 17 August 2025**

### *Ninth Sunday after Trinity*

**A warm welcome to all visitors to church on this day**

#### **Today's Services:**

10am Holy Communion St Mary's Great Wrattling  
10am Family Service St Peter's Little Thurlow

#### **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 St Mary the Virgin Great Bradley  
6pm Evensong (BCP) St Peter and St Paul Kedington

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**Collect:** Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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 forever. **Amen**

First reading	Isaiah 5 v 1 - 7
Second reading	Hebrews 11 v 29 – 12 v 2
Gospel reading	Luke 12 v 49 – 56

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Hear The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**All Glory to you O Lord**

'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son  
and son against father,  
mother against daughter  
and daughter against mother,  
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law  
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you O Christ**

**Post Communion prayer:** Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet 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 – Jacob and his family – Leo and Val Farthing – Jackie – Andrew Pound  
Ann Daplyn – Judy Jesky – Bryan Chambers – Orla – Graeme Van de Zande  
David and Pat Pearse – Rev Bob Torrens – Mike Driscoll – King Charles

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**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:**

John Eastwood – Margaret Cullimore

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](mailto: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 31 August 10am **Holy Communion at St Mary's Little Wrattling followed by Summer Brunch.** All are welcome to stay for brunch.

Sunday 31 August 4pm **Songs of Praise All Saints Barnardiston** followed by refreshments.

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

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

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**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. Bar for cash or card payments. BBQ cash only Burgers £5 each and hot dogs £2.50. Please book in advance via [terryholloway.33@btinternet.com](mailto:terryholloway.33@btinternet.com) including any dietary requirements.

**Suffolk Historical Churches (SHCT) Ride and Stride Saturday 13 September.** If you would like to walk or cycle around the local churches and seek sponsorship in aid of Suffolk Historic Church Trust, speak to the churchwarden in your parish. Half the money raised goes to the SHCT and half goes direct to the parish of your choice.

**Churchwardens**, if you have indicated that your church will be open on 13 September, please ensure the sign-up sheet and refreshments are available. As part of the SHCT Drive, the Classic Cars will leave Gt Thurlow Hall 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 in the Benefice News.

**Kedington Church Summer Fete** on the meadow off church walk, by kind permission. BBQ and licensed bar (including real ale) from 1pm. All other traditional stalls open 2pm. Prizegiving and auction of produce 4pm.

**Harvest Lunch at Great Bradley** 28 September from 12 noon. £12.50 per person includes drinks.

**Harvest Supper at Kedington.** Harvest Festival 5 October 4pm followed by bring and share lunch. Contact Jill Davis 01440 713137 or Lol Far 01440 704179 to arrange what dish to bring.

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

**“Champion of Champions Quiz” at Little Bradley** Friday 28 November. More information 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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