

## **Pew Sheet 10 August 2025**

### *Eighth Sunday after Trinity*

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

**Today's Services:**

**NO 8am Said Holy Communion St Peter and St Paul Kedington**

10am Holy Communion All Saints Great 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's Great Wrating

10am Family Service St Peter's Little Thurlow

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**Collect:** Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; 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**

First reading Isaiah 1 v 1 and vs 10 - 20

Second reading Hebrews 11 vs 1 – 3 and vs 8 - 16

Gospel reading Luke 12 vs 32 - 40

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Hear The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**All    Glory to you O Lord**

'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All    Praise to you O Christ**

**Post Communion prayer:** Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever. **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  
Pat Pearse – Rev Bob Torrens – King Charles

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

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

John Eastwood

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.

**Little Thurlow Garden Party** Saturday 16 August 5pm until 8pm at Little Thurlow Hall. BBQ available for donations. Bar. Contact Jessica [jch14@cam.ac.uk](mailto:jch14@cam.ac.uk) if you would like to come along.

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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