**Sunday 24th August 2025 St Bartholomew**

*Collect:* Almighty and everlasting God,

who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your word: grant that your Church may love that word which he believed and may faithfully preach and receive the same; 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.

**Isaiah 43.8–13**

8 Bring forth the people who are blind, yet have eyes, who are deaf, yet have ears! 9 Let all the nations gather together, and let the peoples assemble. Who among them declared this, and foretold to us the former things? Let them bring their witnesses to justify them, and let them hear and say, ‘It is true.’ 10 You are my witnesses, says the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he. Before me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after me. 11 I, I am the LORD, and besides me there is no saviour. 12 I declared and saved and proclaimed, when there was no strange god among you; and you are my witnesses, says the LORD. 13 I am God, and also henceforth I am He; there is no one who can deliver from my hand; I work and who can hinder it?

**Acts 5.12–16**

12 Many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon’s Portico. 13 None of the rest dared to join them, but the people held them in high esteem. 14 Yet more than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women, 15 so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on cots and mats, in order that Peter’s shadow might fall on some of them as he came by. 16 A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

**Luke 22.24–30**

24 A dispute also arose among the twelve as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. 25 But he said to them, ‘The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. 26 But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. 27 For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. 28 You are those who have stood by me in my trials; 29 and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, 30 so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.’

*Post Communion prayer:* Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**THE HAVEN BENEFICE OF SEAVIEW,** **ST HELEN’S,** **BRADING And YAVERLAND**

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**Sunday 24th August**

09.30 Sung Eucharist, St Helen’s

09.30 Service of the Word, St Mary’s

10.00 Regatta Service St Peter’s

11.00 Sung Eucharist, St John’s

**Wednesday 27th August**

10.00 Morning Worship, St Mary’s

11.00 Prayer Circle, St Peter’s

**Sunday 31st August Creation Tide**

10.00 Benefice Service, St Helen’s

**Tuesday 2nd September**

10.00 Morning Worship, St Catherine’s

**Wednesday 3rd September**

10.00 Morning Worship, St Mary’s

11.00 Prayer Circle, St Peter’s

**Sunday 7th September**

08.00 Said BCP Holy Communion Service, St John’s

09.30 Sung Eucharist, St Mary’s

11.00 Sung Eucharist St Peter’s

18.00 Sung Eucharist, St Catherine’s

**Wednesday 10th August**

10.00 Morning Worship, St Mary’s

11.00 Prayer Circle, St Peter’s

**Thursday 11th September**

11am MU Sung Eucharist, St Peter’s

**Sunday 14th September**

09.30 Sung Eucharist, St Helen’s

09.30 Service of the Word, St Mary’s

11.00 Sung Eucharist, St John’s

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St Peter’s are holding a **Coffee Morning** on Saturday 6th September from 10am in the church hall. All are welcome for coffee, cakes and a chat.

The next **Jumble Sale** at St Mary’s is on Saturday 6th Sept from 2pm. Jumble can be left from 11am. There will also be refreshments, cakes and a raffle. Entry 20p.

**Confirmation preparation:** Rev Karen and Rev Bevaly are leading a day of preparation for confirmation on Sat 13th September in St Mary’s Church hall. If you are interested and would like to know more please contact either one for more information. The Confirmation service is set for 19th October at St Mary’s Church, Brading at 4pm.

Revd. Karen is leading an **Intercessions Preparation Session** on Saturday 20th September at 10am at The Vicarage: This will equip intercession leaders with the tools and inspiration to write and deliver those prayers.

A **session for all who currently read, or are interested in reading, during services** will be held on September 20th at 2pm in St Helen’s Church. It will provide valuable guidance on vocal projection, pacing, understanding the text, and conveying its meaning with appropriate emotion, all to the glory of God and the enrichment of the worshipping community.

There will be a **Joint benefice PCC meeting** on Thurs. 18th September 2025 at 6pm in St Mary’s church hall

Also a **Ministry Team/CW meeting to finalize Advent and Christmas Worship Rota** onWednesday 24th September at 2pm in St Catherine’s Chapel

**Do you volunteer for any of our Haven Benefice Churches?** Rev Karen warmly invites you to a **‘Thank You’** for our church Volunteers, however you give your time, on Saturday 4th October at 10am in St Mary’s Church Hall, Brading. There will be tea, coffee and cake.