



The Weekly Pewslip

Sunday 17th August 2025

TRINITY 9/PROPER 15/GREEN

The heartbeat of the community

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Benefice Prayer List

We pray for those sick, ill, or who need our prayers:

Herbert Websdell, Myra Payne, Paula Brewster, Kathy Leeder, Sheena Duncan, Ken Deighton, Ruth Cawcutt. Gary Took.

Those battling cancer.

For all carers, particularly those caring for loved ones at home.

For the repose of the souls of those recently departed:

Dawn Stannard, Raymond Hannant

For those whose anniversary of death falls at this month:

John Hubbard, John McLauchlan

Dates for your Diary

15-18th Retreat at Mirfield trip

17th VJ Day commemorative Service, Starston Ch, 11.00am

20th Finance session at Diocesan House, am FOC lunch

20th Communion at Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am

21st Meet & Mardle in DB Church Rooms, 2.00pm

23rd Wedding of Darren Thickbroom & Martine Thompson, Dickleburgh Church, 2.00pm

25th Visiting Bell Ringers (Wymondham) at PMKT Church

26th Visiting Bell Ringers at PMKT Church, 10.30am

27th Communion at Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am

31st LUNCH, 1.00pm (jacket potato) at the Adlams, DB.

Donations for Tim's journey, to book 07850 884627 by 24/8

September

3rd Communion at Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am

6th Yard Sale around Dickleburgh, 9.00am

7th Funday Sunday, Pulham Market Ch grounds, 12.30pm

10th Communion at Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am

11th 9/11 talk at PSM Church £15 a ticket, see Rev'd Carl, Rosetta or Ruth, 7.30pm

Services THIS Sunday 17th August

09.30 Morning Prayer, Dickleburgh

09.30 Communion & Lighthouse, Pulham Market

11.00 Communion Patronal Service, P St Mary

11.00 Communion, Starston

Services NEXT Sunday 24th August

09.30 Communion, Dickleburgh

09.30 All Age Worship, Pulham Market

11.00 Communion, Pulham St Mary

11.00 Morning Prayer, Starston

11.00 Communion, Thelveton

Midweek Communion

Every Wednesday

10.00am

Pulham St Mary Church

Saturday Prayers

Saturday mornings

Dickleburgh Church

9.30am

From our Benefice Cycle of Prayer

For our Archdeacon, Steven, and for his PA Graham Cossey and all who provide support to him.

For our Ministry Team – for all who lead our worship and benefice. For Gale, our Reader Emiritus and Maggie our AWA

For our Schools – For the children in Key Stage 2 and their teachers.

For Culrose Care Home – its residents and staff.

For those living in our parish, particularly those living in streets (from your parish).

For those who serve the church locally – musicians, those who serve refreshments, those who care for our churchyards and buildings.

Weddings

23rd August – Dickleburgh Church

Darren Thickbroom & Martine Thompson

SAFEGUARDING

To report SG concerns please contact Tony Gray on 01379 676321 or tonyjgray@gmail.com or to Sue Brice on 01603 882345 or safeguarding@dioceseofnorwich.org

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 for ever. **Amen**

PROPER 15

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 23.23-29

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

"Am I a God at hand, declares the Lord, and not a God far away? Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the Lord. Is not my word like fire, declares the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?"

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 82

+ **Arise, O God and judge the earth.**

- 1 God has taken his stand in the council of heaven;
in the midst of the gods he gives judgement:
'How long will you judge unjustly
and show such favour to the wicked?
'You were to judge the weak and the orphan;
defend the right of the humble and needy; +
- 2 'Rescue the weak and the poor;
deliver them from the hand of the
wicked. 'They have no knowledge or
wisdom; they walk on still in darkness:
all the foundations of the earth are shaken. +
- 3 'Therefore I say that though you are gods
and all of you children of the Most High,
'Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals
and fall like one of their princes.'
Arise, O God and judge the earth,
for it is you that shall take all
nations for your possession. +

SECOND READING

Hebrews 11.29-12.2

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies. And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword,

were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated—of whom the world was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Luke 12.49-56

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on in one house there will be five 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 say at once, 'A shower is coming.' 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.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion

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**