Frances' Licensing All are welcome to the Cathedral at 10.30am on 20th September for Frances' Licensing to serve as an LLM at St. Edmund's and St. Peter's. We will also celebrate at the 11.15am Service on 21st

Harvest will take place on 5th October at St Ed's. This will be a celebration of the Lord's goodness to us, His providing and His compassionate love in our lives. We will use this opportunity to celebrate the completion of our three projects – the Chancel thatch, the East Window and the restoration of the organ. We will invite our neighbourhood to celebrate with us, and we are all invited to bring a picnic. It will be a 'Picnic in the Pews'! For our Harvest gifts we will be supporting our local foodbank.

**Confirmation** we have the possibility of a Confirmation service in the new year. If you would like to be confirmed, or if you would like to invite someone, please let Rev Paul know

**Bibles for children** Any donations would be very gratefully received!

Annual Norfolk Churches Trust Bike Ride has happened. Molly and Polly cycled for St Ed's, Rev Paul and Thomas and others walked for St Peter's. It's not too late to donate! Thank you for your support.

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# Welcome to St Edmund's Church Taverham

14<sup>th</sup> September 2025



So he told them this parable: 4'Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it?

Luke 15: 3-4

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#### Prayers for this week

Almighty God,

who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:

help us to proclaim the good news of your love,

that all who hear it may be drawn to you;

through him who was lifted up on the cross,

and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### Readings this week

Exodus 32 : 7 - 14 1 Timothy 1 : 12 - 17 Luke 15 : 1 - 10

#### People to pray for

For those who feel far from the Lord, who need His compassion, love and forgiveness to bring them home

For the work of Chaplains, evangelists, preachers, and Bible distributors

## Some thoughts for this week

Today in our Gospel reading we have two of the three Parables in Luke's Gospel about lost things. They speak of the Lord's persevering love for us, for each and every person, how He reaches out to us, searches for us, and rejoices when anyone turns their life and heart back to Him.

These Parables are not about lostness, but about being found. Remarkably this Sunday also marks a celebration in the church's calendar of Holy Cross Day, which began when the church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem on the site of Jesus' crucifixion on Calvary, displayed the Cross thought to be that on which Jesus gave His life for us.

It is through the Cross that anyone who feels lost, who feels far from the Lord's love, who has gone astray or who has fallen into apparent hopelessness, can be brought back to the Lord, to His forgiveness and hope, is embraced into the Lord's heart of healing and compassion, the forgiveness of sins.

The Parables are seemingly such simple stories. A lost sheep and a lost coin. Yet they are profound insights into the depth of the Lord's heart who does not rest until we are safe with Him. This is the Lord's love for us. Every person is so precious to Him.

#### What's on

Sunday 8.00am Holy communion 9.30am Mustard Tree Church

11.15am Livestream service

Monday 5.00pm Prayers

Tuesday 10.30am Tuesdays at St Ed's

6.00pm Rspace

Wednesday 10.30am Holy Communion Thursday 9.00am Caretaking team in

church

12.15pm Prayer Spaces at the

Junior School

7.00pm Compline at St Ed's

Friday 9.30am Arts Group at Trinity

Saturday 1.30pm Wedding

Sunday 9.30am Mustard Tree Church

11.15am Holy Communion

### Our Livestreams continue as follows:

Every Sunday 11.15am Livestream team (except 1st of month)

# St Peter's Ringland

Sunay 14<sup>th</sup> September 10.30am Harvest service and dedication of Fleni

Sunday 28th September The Gathering, 3.00pm to 5.00pm