Pew Sheet 7 September

Blessed Virgin Mary

A warm welcome to all visitors to church on this day

Today's Services:

10am Holy Communion St Peter and St Paul Kedington

Services this week:

Evening Prayer 5pm Monday St Peter and St Paul's Kedington. Wednesday 10am Said Holy Communion St Peter and St Paul's Kedington

Services next Sunday

8am Said Holy Communion St Peter and St Paul Kedington 10am Holy Communion at All Saints Great Thurlow

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Collect:

Almighty and everlasting God, who stooped to raise fallen humanity through the child-bearing of blessed Mary: grant that we, who have seen your glory revealed in our human nature and your love made perfect in our weakness, may daily be renewed in your image and conformed to the pattern of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

First reading Isaiah 61 v 10 - end Second reading Galatians 4 v 4 - 7 Luke 1 v 46 - 55

Hear The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

All Glory to you O Lord

And Mary said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed: for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones. and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel. in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors. to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you O Christ

Post Communion Prayer:

God most high, whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh: we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption you visit us with your Holy Spirit and overshadow us by your power; strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness; through 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 – Kirk Pearson — Judy Jesky – Bryan Chambers – Orla – Graeme Van de Zande – David and Pat Pearse – Rev Bob Torrens – Mike Driscoll – Andrew Harrison King Charles

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: Margaret McCaffery – Doreen Rosemary (Rose) Wheatley – Allan Wright Arlene Quelch – Gerry Joyce – Judith Swails

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 01440 762901

Church Coffee Morning "Dolce Gusto" 10am until 12 noon every Tuesday at St Peter and St Paul's Church in Kedington.

TODAY - Thurlow Fayre on the Recreation Ground 10am until 4pm.

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 including any dietary requirements.

Suffolk Historical Churches (SHCT) Ride and Stride Saturday 13 September. Classic cars will be leaving Gt Thurlow Hall at 10am – come along and wave them off.

Also on Saturday 13 September Churchwardens – don't forget to make sure your church is open and the sign-up sheets are accessible. Refreshments will be much appreciated by the walkers and cyclists.

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 Sunday 28 September from 12.30pm, following, the Harvest Festival Service which will begin at 11am. Adults £12.50 and £5 for children for casserole, jacket potato, dessert and drinks. (Vegetarian and gluten-free options available.) To book and for more information contact Sue Ireland sue.m.ireland@gmail.com

Harvest Supper at St Peter and St Paul's, Kedington. Harvest Festival Service Sunday 5 October 4pm followed by bring and share supper. Contact Jill Davis 01440 713137 or Lol Far 01440 704179 to arrange what dish to bring.

Kedington Church Bingo Friday 10 October 2025. Kedington Royal British Legion Hall. Doors open 7pm; eyes down 7.30pm. Over 18's only £10 for six games plus flyer. Cash prizes. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. There will be a raffle – cash only please. To book or for more information contact Marion 07833 431184 All proceeds to St Peter and St Paul's Church Kedington

Little Bradley Barn Dance Saturday 18 October 2025. At the Garden Barn. Dancing to Kelly's Eye. 7pm until 11pm. Pre-book tickets from Mirjam 07770885956 or emily@thegardenbarn.co.uk or. Tickets £25 adults, less for under 18's. Bar. In aid of All Saints Church Lt Bradley.

"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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