

**Mustard Tree** – the welcoming of Danielle, Samantha and Emmy to Holy Communion – is today! (19<sup>th</sup>) at 9.30am. Everyone is welcome to join for this special time!

**Shoebox appeal** is upon us! (service on 2<sup>nd</sup> November) Leaflets are in church. If you have spare shoeboxes please kindly leave them at the back of church. We will be in church on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October from 2.00pm to 5.00pm to make up shoeboxes using any donated loose items. Please join us!

**Bibles for children** the Year 3 children love to receive their Bibles each year. They are coming into church on 5<sup>th</sup> December. They will then have the Bibles to read of Jesus' Nativity themselves. Any donations would be very gratefully received! Rev Paul

**Christmas Fair** - Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November 12 midday to 3pm. Please keep this day free so you can be part of the fun and consider helping too! (for at least part of the time). There will be a sign-up sheet for this. Tombola, bottle, raffle prizes are needed and also toys, books and jigsaws. More information from Sue Elmes and Sue Beevor

**Confirmation** Please let Rev Paul know if you or someone you know is interested in being confirmed in the New year

### **Safeguarding**

If you have any safeguarding concerns or queries please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor  
: [safeguarding@dioceseofnorwich.org](mailto:safeguarding@dioceseofnorwich.org)  
01603 882345 Address: Safeguarding Team, Bishop's House, Norwich, NR3 1SB.  
Or visit the Diocesan web pages: [www.dioceseofnorwich.org/training/safeguarding](http://www.dioceseofnorwich.org/training/safeguarding) for further information.

### **Financial giving to our life and ministry**

St Edmund's Bank details are:

**Name of account: Taverham Parochial Church Council** (Please note there is a space between each of these words)  
**Sort Code: 20 – 62 – 68 : Barclays**  
**Account number: 80881600**

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**St Ed's needs...**a new Treasurer, a Safeguarding officer, and someone to coordinate the shoebox appeal in September and October each year. Please pray that the Lord will call people for these roles. (could it be you?)

# Welcome to St Edmund's Church Taverham and St Peter's Ringland

19<sup>th</sup> October 2025



Will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

Luke 18 : 7 - 8

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## Prayer for this week

Almighty and everlasting God,  
increase in us your gift of faith  
that, forsaking what lies behind  
and reaching out to that which is  
before,  
we may run the way  
of your commandments  
and win the crown of everlasting joy;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
Amen

God, our judge and saviour,  
teach us to be open to your truth  
and to trust in your love,  
that we may live each day  
with confidence in the salvation  
which is given  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## We praise the Lord and give thanks for...

Our harvest celebrations, in church and  
with the schools. They have all been  
wonderful times!

For Emmy, Danielle and Samantha being  
welcomed to Holy Communion, and for  
all the children we have contact with

Our visiting ministry and ministry to the  
Care Homes

## Readings this week

Luke 18 : 1 - 8

## Some thoughts for this week

It is good to be reminded that Jesus  
knows our world, and has lived within it.  
With all its troubles, conflicts, challenges  
and negative voices. Also that Jesus  
Himself knows us, because He lived as  
one of us. He knows our pitfalls and  
temptations. Our struggles to stay true  
and not always to put ourselves first.

So Jesus tells a Parable in our Gospel  
reading that is full of human stuff and  
the difficulties and frustrations of our  
broken world. Where a poor unfortunate  
woman seeks the help of a harsh and  
indifferent judge, and persists in the way  
we are to persevere in our prayers, even  
when an answer seems long in coming.  
Of course the breakthrough in Gaza and  
Israel, even though on a knife edge, is a  
wonderful answer to prayers for release,  
for healing and for peace. Even the  
situation in Ukraine has elements of  
hope.

Yet Jesus is also speaking about justice  
for those who are weak, who call to Him.  
And faith that enables prayers to be  
answered and Jesus' Kingdom to break  
through. Jesus' perspective is so much  
bigger than ours, and goes far beyond  
the limit of our vision or hopes for  
answered prayer. It is His Kingdom that  
brings healing and freedom. So He calls  
us to pray 'Your kingdom Come' in our  
broken world, beginning with us **Paul**

## What's on

Sunday 9.30am Mustard Tree Church  
Welcoming of children to  
Holy Communion  
11.15am Holy Communion  
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 3.00pm Marriage Blessing of  
Rowan and Viktoria Curtis  
Sunday 8.00am Holy communion  
9.30am Mustard Tree Church  
11.15am Service of the Word

## Our Livestreams continue as follows :

Sundays : 11.15am Livestream team on  
2<sup>nd</sup> (in church) and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays each  
month

## St Peter's Ringland

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October 3.00pm  
The Gathering

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November 10.30am  
Service for Remembrance