

LOOKING FORWARD

Newsletter for The King's Ridge Parishes

Many Voices, One Mission

Langham with Boxted, West Bergholt and Great Horkesley, Wormingford and Mount Bures with Little Horkesley

9th November 2025

Welcome, it's good to have you with us!

We hope you enjoy the service and will know God's blessing. If you are a visitor and would like any information, or someone to visit you, please have a word with one of the sides people, a churchwarden or one of the ministers.

COLLECT FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

Almighty God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

SUNDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

9.15am	Morning Worship	St. John the Baptist	Mount Bures
9.30am	Holy Communion	St. Peter's	Boxted
9.30am	Holy Communion	St. Mary's	West Bergholt
3.00pm	Celebration Service	St. John's	Great Horkesley
6.30pm	Holy Communion*	St. Peter and St. Paul	Little Horkesley
Readings:	Malachi 4:1-2a; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19		

2ND BEFORE ADVENT

SUNDAY 23RD NOVEMBER

9.30am	Café church	St. Mary's	West Bergholt
9.30am	Holy Communion	St. Mary's	Langham
11.00am	Holy Communion	All Saints'	Great Horkesley
11.00am	Morning Worship	St. Andrew's	Wormingford
6.30pm	Evening Prayer*	St. Peter and St. Paul	Little Horkesley
Readings:	Jeremiah 23:1-6; Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43		

CHRIST THE KING

SATURDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

3.00pm	Forest Church	St. Peter's	Boxted
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REGULAR PRAYER MEETINGS: Everyone is welcome

Every Wednesday morning 9.15am on ZOOM

Meeting ID:

Passcode:

1st Saturday monthly - 8am - West Bergholt Church

REGULAR COFFEE MORNINGS, MID-WEEK FELLOWSHIP GROUPS & CAFÉS:

Thurs (Term)	10 - 11.30am	Coffee & Cake	WB Church Hall
Thursdays	10 - 11.30am	Take a Break Café	St John's Great Horkesley
Thursdays	10 – 12.00pm	Connections	Mount Bures Village Hall
Thursdays	2.00 – 3.30pm	5Ts	WB Church hall

REGULAR BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

1st and 3rd Mondays @ 10.30am – Langham – *Contact Heather for more info*

2nd Mondays @ 8pm - Beer and Bible - Shepherd Pub, Langham - *Dominic Sheil*

Tuesday afternoons - 2.00pm - West Bergholt – *Richard Chadborn*

2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings - 7.45pm - West Bergholt - *Ian Hilton*

Wednesday evenings (following Tuesday evenings) – 7.45pm – West Bergholt

1st and 3rd Wednesdays @ 10.30am – Gt Horkesley

For more information please contact the leaders or the Parish office.

PRAYER POINTERS

- Pray for all who have lost loved ones remembering in particular the families of John Bennett and Catherine Postings-Share. Pray for those who are thinking about attending the Bereavement journey sessions in the New Year and for the team as they make preparations to run the sessions.
- Pray for all whose lives are impacted by conflict and strife, those who continue to live under the constant shadow of war, and those whose lives are still shaped by past conflicts. Pray for the work of the Royal British Legion and give thanks for all that they do to support our servicemen and women and their families.
- Pray for the Prayer spaces taking place in Heathlands school this coming week, with a focus on Remembrance. Pray for all the young people who will visit the prayer spaces and for families to visit when it is open to them.
- Pray for wisdom for our leaders and for all in authority
- Give thanks for all who serve in our communities, particularly those who serve on our Parish councils.

A PRAYER FOR THIS SEASON OF REMEMBRANCE

God of infinite mercy

We trust in your good purposes of peace for all your children.

We pray for those who at this time face danger in the defence of justice.

Watch over those in peril;

Support those who are anxious for loved ones,

Gather into your eternal purpose those who will die.

Remove from the hearts of all people

The passions that keep alive the spirit of war,

And in your goodness restore peace among us'

For the sake of the Prince of peace, Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen

FORTHCOMING DIARY DATES:

Sun 9 th Nov	3.00 – 5.00pm	Open House at The Rectory	The Rectory, WB
Mon 10 th Nov	3.15 – 4.30pm	Tea & Toast	St. Mary's, WB
Tues 11 th Nov	9.00 – 3.00pm	Heathlands Prayer spaces	Heathlands school
	9.30 – 11.00am	Toddler Play and Praise	St. Peter's, Boxted
Wed 12 th Nov	9.00 – 3.00pm	Heathlands Prayer Spaces	Heathlands School
	9.15am	King's Ridge Weekly Prayers	On ZOOM
	7.00pm	King's Ridge Choir Practice	St. Peter's, Boxted
	7.30pm	Churchwardens Meeting	The Rectory, WB
Thurs 13 th Nov	9.00 – 3.00pm	Heathlands Prayer Spaces	Heathlands School
	7.30pm	Langham with Boxted PCC	
Sun 16 th Nov	3.00pm	Celebration Service	St. John's, GH
Mon 17 th Nov	3.15 – 4.30pm	Tea & Toast	St. Mary's, WB
	7.00pm	Wormingford PCC	Wormingford Church
Wed 19 th Nov	9.15am	King's Ridge Weekly Prayers	On ZOOM
	1.30pm	Mount Bures PCC	The Thatchers pub
	7.30pm	West Bergholt PCC	The Rectory
Thurs 20 th Nov	All Day	Men's Walking Group	
	<i>For more information please contact Ian Hilton revihilton@gmail.com</i>		
	7.00pm	King's Ridge Choir Practice	St. Peter's, Boxted
Mon 24 th Nov	3.15 – 4.30pm	Tea & Toast	St. Mary's, WB
	7.00pm	King's Ridge Choir Practice	St. Peter's, Boxted
Wed 26 th Nov	9.15am	King's Ridge Weekly Prayers	On ZOOM
Sun 30 th Nov	10.30am	United Celebration Service	Wormingford
	2.30pm	Horkesley Manor Service	Horkesley Manor
	3.00 – 5.00pm	Christmas Tree Lighting event	Boxted Village Hall
	4.00 – 7.00pm	Christmas Tree Lighting event	Orpen Hall, WB
	5.00 – 7.00pm	Christmas Tree Lighting event	Great Horkesley VH
Mon 1 st Dec	1.00 – 3.00pm	Heathlands Christingle Services	St. Mary's, WB
	3.15 – 4.30pm	Tea & Toast	St. Mary's, WB
Wed 3 rd Dec	9.15am	King's Ridge Weekly Prayers	on ZOOM
	7.00pm	King's Ridge Choir Practice	St. Peter's, Boxted
Thurs 4 th Dec	7.30pm	Walking the Camino de Santiago	St. Mary's, WB

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OPEN HOUSE AT THE RECTORY – SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER, 3 – 5pm. Come and enjoy a cup of tea/coffee and a slice of homemade cake at the Rectory and a chance for plenty of fellowship and chat. All are very welcome.

TODDLER PLAY AND PRAISE – TUESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER, 9.30 – 11.00AM IN ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BOXTED. Come along for crafts, toys, refreshments and a short act of worship with a simple bible story and toddler friendly songs.

THE STICKY NOTE PRAYERS TOUR – WEDNESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER, 7.30PM. St. John's Church, Colchester. An evening to hear about how the movement of Prayer spaces in schools is spreading throughout the nation.

CELEBRATION SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S, GREAT HORKESLEY, SUNDAY 16TH NOVEMBER, 3PM. Join us for a special service as we celebrate both the completion of the recent roof repair works and the 100th Anniversary of the addition of the Chancel. Following the service there will be refreshments and an opportunity to look at some displays and think about future plans for the church.

UNITED CELEBRATION SERVICE WITH BISHOP GULI – SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER, 10.30AM, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WORMINGFORD. Join us for our 5th Sunday united service in St. Andrew's Wormingford, where Bishop Guli will also be taking the opportunity to bless the recent restoration of the clock and installation of an automatic winding system. Following the service, there will be a lunch. To help save the planet, where possible, please think about how you might be able to car share.

WEST BERGHOLT ADVENT WINDOWS TRAIL 2025 – This years theme is 'Good news for all the world, we are inviting people to include in their window displays the word JOY in the language of another country, together with either a Christmas tradition associated with that country or an aspect of the nativity story. If you would like to take part and decorate a window please contact Heather or Liz Dixon, by 17th November.

WALKING THE CAMINO DE SANTIAGO – OUR JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY. Nicky and Ian's Pilgrimage Walk – May/June 2025. Come and hear more about Nicky and Ian's recent adventure, **St. Mary's Church, West Bergholt, Thursday 4th December at 7.30pm.** Spanish themed drinks and nibbles will be provided, so for catering purposes it would be helpful if you could let the parish office know if you are attending. A donation plate for St. Helena Hospice, the chosen charity for the walk, will be available on the night.

THE KING'S RIDGE PARISHES MINISTRY TEAM DETAILS

Priest in Charge:	Revd. Heather Wilcox	01206 240906
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	Liz Dixon	Denise Hobday
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