

BENEFICE WEEKLY NEWS AND NOTICES



ELMSETT
ST PETER

ALDHAM
ST MARY

KERSEY
ST MARY

HINTLESHAM
ST NICHOLAS

CHATTISHAM
ALL SAINTS & ST MARGARET

Sunday 16 November 2025 Second Sunday Before Advent

Chattisham 9:30am Holy Communion
Elmsett 9:30am Family@StPeter's
Aldham 11am Family Service
Kersey 4pm Evensong

Collect

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13
Paul cautions Christian believers not to be idle, but to give their time to daily employment – earning a living rather than living off others.

Gospel Luke 21:5-19

Jesus foretells the destruction of the Temple as well as war and famine. Life as a follower of Christ will not be easy, but God will not allow any of us to perish.

Post Communion

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Benefice of St Peter Elmsett
St Mary Aldham
St Mary Kersey
St Nicholas Hintlesham
All Saints and St Margaret Chattisham

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In our prayers this week...

The church throughout the world... In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we remember this week the Anglican Province of Alexandria (Egypt, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Djibouti, Algeria, Tunisia and Libya) and it's Archbishop Samy Fawzy.

Our local schools... For the staff and pupils of the 3 schools in our benefice.

Those who are suffering in body mind and spirit... For our local healthcare centres and those who work at Addenbrooke's Hospital Cambridge.

Trouble spots around the world...

Remembering the ongoing conflict in Ukraine and Sudan praying for those who are working to bring peace and reconciliation. We pray for the peace process in Gaza.

Local and national government... For our local Parish Councils

Our local Hospitality industry... Our local pubs, hotels and cafes and bars.

Our clergy and accredited ministers...

This week we pray for the parish of Aldham the churchwarden and the Local Ministry Team.

Dates for your diary

18th November Rural coffee caravan
10am – 12 Chattisham Church.
2pm – 4pm Outside Hintlesham Community Hall
19th November Discussion Group 3pm in Chattisham Church
22nd November Elmsett Christmas Fair, Village Hall
25th November Craft and Chat 10am – 3pm in Chattisham Church
26th November Advent course at Elmsett Methodist Chapel 10am
3rd December Coffee Stop 10-12pm Hintlesham Community Hall
3rd December Advent course at Elmsett Methodist Chapel 10am
10th December Toddlers Group Hintlesham Community Hall 10am – midday
14th December Kesey Carols 4pm
16th December Rural coffee caravan
10am – 12 Chattisham Church.
2pm – 4pm Outside Hintlesham Community

Next Sunday 23rd November Sunday next before Advent Christ the King

Hintlesham 9:30am All age Eucharist
Elmsett 9:30am Holy Communion
Aldham 11am Holy Communion
Collect
Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
First Reading Colossians 1:11-20
Gospel Luke 23:33-43
Post Communion
Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Regular Events

Kersey

Celtic Morning Prayer – Tuesdays at 9:30am

Hintlesham and Chattisham

Coffee Stop

1st Wednesday of the month Drop in between 10am – 12 Community Hall
Discussion Group 3rd Wed of the month 3pm in Chattisham Church

Craft and Chat 4th Tues of the month 10am – 3pm in Chattisham Church

Rural coffee caravan

3rd Tues of the month
10am – 12 Chattisham Church
2pm – 4pm Outside Community Hall

Toddlers Group

Hintlesham Community Hall

2nd Wednesday of month 10am - 12

Elmsett

Methodist Coffee Morning Every 1st Saturday of the month from 10am

Bellringing:

Kersey Thursdays 7:45pm

Elmsett Wednesdays 7:30pm

Hintlesham First Friday of the month 7:30pm

And finally...

On this day 16th November 1974 ABBA stated their first tour outside Sweden following their win in Brighton at the Eurovision Song Contest. Their first hit single in Sweden was "Hej, gamle man" in 1971, a song about an old Salvation Army soldier. Since then, they have had 20 top ten hits in the UK and sold and estimated 150 to 400 million records worldwide making them one of the best-selling music acts in history- the Beatles sold over 600 million!