

Safeguarding Sunday is today (16th) and we will be highlighting the importance of Safeguarding in our services, and the importance of responsibility to one another and to everyone who comes into our church community. How the church is called to be a place of safety, of healing and wholeness.

Bibles for Junior School will soon be ordered. If you would like to donate for this there is an envelope in the vestry.

Christmas cards Sally Ellis has once again produced some beautiful Christmas cards featuring St Ed's. Details at the back of church.

Sad news we were very sorry to hear Brian Smith has died after a period of illness. He and Margaret were both faithful, loving Christians. Brian's funeral will be at St Ed's

Brenda Aldred's service will be at St Ed's on Thursday 4th December at 11.30pm

Christmas Fair - Saturday 29th 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 is 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

Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns or queries please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor
: 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 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

Contact details :

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Churchwardens :

David Osborne	Sue Beevor
01603 531806	01603 322783

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

16th November 2025



So you will bear testimony to me. But make up your mind not to worry beforehand how you will defend yourselves. For I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to resist or contradict. Stand firm, and you will win life.

Luke 21 : 13 – 15, 19

 St Edmund's Church Taverham
www.achurchnearyou.com/taverham

Some thoughts for this week

Today, Churches across the United Kingdom will come together for Safeguarding Sunday, a national awareness-raising campaign led by Thirtyone:eight, the UK's leading independent Christian safeguarding charity.

Now in its seventh year, Safeguarding Sunday is a powerful opportunity for churches of all sizes and denominations to pause, reflect, and take meaningful action to create safer communities for all. Last year, more than 5,000 churches participated, united by one simple belief - safeguarding matters because God cares about us.

In a year where public trust in the Church continues to be tested by revelations of abuse and silence, Safeguarding Sunday offers a moment for honest reflection – and a bold call to transformation.

This year's campaign theme – Action Speaks Louder – urges churches to go beyond good intentions and conversations, and take concrete steps to improve safeguarding in their communities.

When we look at the life of Jesus, he didn't just teach – he took action. It's

time for us to move from talking about safeguarding to taking action that reflects our calling to love, protect, and care for others. And one important action is for someone to step up as Parish Safeguarding Officer.

Safeguarding Sunday is a chance to celebrate what's working, acknowledge where more is needed, and build a future where everyone – children and adults – can feel safe and be safe in church.

Stella Noons

Readings this week

Malachi 4 : 1 – 2a
2 Thessalonians 3 : 6 - 13
Luke 21 : 5 - 19

We praise the Lord and give thanks for...

The life, faith and Christian witness of Brian Smith

For our Remembrance services in our churches, schools, war memorials and Care Homes and all those who took part

For the Lord's strength and hope through all His promises in Jesus, who encourages us day by day

For our Bible Studies and Home Groups

What's on

Sunday **Safeguarding Sunday**
9.30am Mustard Tree Church
11.15am Holy Communion
Monday 8.30am Prayers for Langley School
5.00pm Prayers
Tuesday 10.30am Tuesdays at St Ed's
6.00pm Rspace
Wednesday 10.30am Holy Communion
5.00pm Prayers
Thursday 9.00am Caretaking team in church
12.30pm Prayer Spaces at the Junior School
7.00pm Compline at St Ed's
Friday 9.30am Arts Group at Trinity
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 2nd (in church) and 4th Sundays each month

St Peter's Ringland

Sunday 23rd 3.00pm The Gathering

Sunday 14th December 10.30am Holy Communion at Ringland Village Hall

Christmas Eve Carol Service 6.30pm