

Christmas Fair – Thank you! to everyone who worked so hard or contributed in any way. It was great to welcome our community to begin the Advent season.

Ringland Christmas Fair Saturday 6th December at Ringland Village Hall, 1.00pm to 3.00pm. Crafts, cakes, Christmas gifts. All welcome

Used stamps Robert and Anita would be grateful for your used stamps from Christmas mail for the MS Society

Sad news We were very sorry to hear Liz Cook, who attended services regularly before Covid, and Dorothy Bruce, who was at St Ed's this Wednesday, have died. Our prayers are with their families

Bereavement service will be at St Ed's at 3.00pm on Sunday 14th December, where we will light candles and read out the names of our loved ones. If you would like to join there is a sheet at the back of church for the names of loved ones to be read out in church.

Brenda Aldred's service will be at St Ed's on Thursday 4th December at 11.30am
Brian Smith's service will be at St Ed's on Wednesday 10th December at 1.00pm

Nativity stamps Please ask for Nativity stamps at the Post Office in order to keep this witness for future years.

If you are new.... It is great to see you today. If you are able to, please speak to a member of the ministry team. We look forward to getting to know you!

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

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St Ed's needs...a new Treasurer, and a Safeguarding officer, (could it be you?)

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

30th November 2025

Advent Sunday




The LORD is my light and my salvation—
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life—
of whom shall I be afraid?

Wait for the LORD;
be strong and take heart
and wait for the LORD.

Psalms 27 : 1 & 14

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Prayer for this week

Lord of Advent,
Lord of all hopefulness,
this is the time of your coming,
this is the season of your arrival.
Give us a defiant hope that triumphs
over pessimism and despairing attitudes,
that believes you have come
to save your people,
your world, your creation.
In this moment light a fire in our hearts
that will not be quenched
Until your work is done. Amen.

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the
light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Readings this week

Isaiah 2 : 1 – 5
Romans 13 : 11 - end
Matthew 24 : 36 – 44

We praise the Lord and give thanks ...

For everyone who will come to our
churches over the Advent and Christmas
periods. May Jesus bless them

For all those who have gone before us in
faith and the love of Jesus

Some thoughts for this week



We're off! The
countdown has
begun. Advent is
here and today we
begin a journey of
hope, love, joy and peace and we wait
and prepare to celebrate the birth of
Jesus and look forward to when Christ
returns again.

Inevitably our thoughts will steam ahead
to the 25 December as we prepare for
Christmas Day. But what if we did things
a little differently this year? Perhaps we
can use this Advent time to focus and
reflect on the wonder of the coming of
God's Grace and love in the person of
Jesus so that we are prepared to
welcome Jesus on Christmas Day and
celebrate with immense joy.

With so much to do between now and
Christmas Day we don't need to load
more upon ourselves but perhaps there
are just one or two things we could do in
this waiting time.

Perhaps, beginning today, we could
read a chapter of Luke's gospel (24
chapters), or maybe spend 10-15
minutes in quiet, resting in the love of
God. May this season of Advent be filled
with blessings as we wait and prepare
for the coming of Emmanuel - God with
us.

Rachel

What's on

Sunday 8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Mustard Tree Church
11.15am Celtic Holy Communion
Monday 8.30am Langley prayers
9.00pm TJS Year 4 visit
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
11.30am Brenda Aldred's funeral
12.30pm Prayer Spaces at the
Junior School
7.00pm Compline at St Ed's
Friday 9.00am TJS Year 3's visit
9.30am Arts Group at Trinity
Saturday 12.00pm Christmas Fair
Sunday 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

Ringland Christmas Fair at the village hall
Saturday 6th December

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

Christmas Eve Carol Service 6.30pm