

Prayer intentions this week

Almighty God,
who caused the light of the gospel
to shine throughout the world
through the preaching of your servant Saint
Paul:
grant that we who celebrate his wonderful
conversion
may follow him in bearing witness to your
truth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Eternal God,
who enriched your Church with the learning
and holiness
of your servant Thomas Aquinas:
give to all who seek you
a humble mind and a pure heart
that they may know your Son Jesus Christ
as the way, the truth and the life;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Those in need

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| Sarah Davis | Kelly Sanderson |
| Stephen Milner | Eric Dunstan |
| Beverley Reaney | Ann Kuczak |
| Francis Berryman | Lindsay Richards |
| Margaret Johnson | Rebecca Ormian |
| Wendy Goodwin | Teresa Nicholls |
| Stephen Keeble | Richard Howells |

Those who have recently died

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| Samuel Keeble | Rosemary Howarth |
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Those whose ashes are being interred

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| Douglas Haden-Scott |
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Those in our year's mind

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| Douglas Starling | Norman Hamblin |
| Geoffrey Pightling | Kathleen Gagen |

*Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord; and
let light perpetual shine upon them*

Nar Valley Benefice

Pew News

25th – 31st January 2026

This Sunday 25th January the Conversion of Paul (white)

8.30am at West Acre

Traditional Holy Communion

The scriptures are:

Acts 9.1-22 & Matthew 19.27-end

9.30am at Castle Acre

Eucharist

The scriptures are:

Acts 9.1-22 & Matthew 19.27-end

Hymns: 192, 36, 777 EP: E

11am at Pentney

Morning Praise

The Scriptures are: Psalm 67

Acts 9.1-22 & Matthew 19.27-end

Tuesday 27th January

10am Interment in Castle Acre churchyard.

Wednesday 28th January

St Thomas Aquinas (white)

9am at Narborough church

Said Eucharist

The scriptures are:

2 Samuel 7.4-17 & Mark 4.1-20

Friday 30th January

2.30pm Funeral and burial at West Acre

Next Sunday 1st February

Candlemas (gold & white)

8.30am at Newton

Traditional Holy Communion

The scriptures are:

Malachi 3.1-5 & Luke 2.22-40

9.30am in Castle Acre church

Morning Praise

The Scriptures are: Psalm 24.7-end

Malachi 3.1-5 & Luke 2.22-40

11am in Narborough church

Eucharist

The scripture is Luke 2.22-40

Hymns: 105, 39, 479 EP: A

Welcome to all

We are always welcome in God's house and greet one another with joy.
Just before worship, we quieten ourselves to be met by God in prayer, word, and sacrament.

Children

We love it when babies or children of any age come to church. We do not expect them to impersonate adults. Please feel relaxed if they wander about. In both Castle Acre and Narborough there are dedicated children's spaces in the worship area and quiet rooms at the back of church. Do use them if they are a help to you.

Hearing aids

There are hearing loop systems in Castle Acre, Narborough, & Pentney Churches.

Safeguarding

We are committed to safeguarding children, young people and adults from harm. We follow the House of Bishops' guidance and policies.

Each church has its own Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO). Their contact details are :

Castle Acre

Dr Ilga Chakrabarti (01760 755368)

Pentney

Andrew Smith (01760 755102)

Narborough & Narford

Liz Collins (01760 337403)

Joan Upton (01760 337053)

West Acre

Clare Levere (07709232851)

South Acre

James Stephenson (01760 337901)

Newton

Tony Bell (01760 755506)

Contact our Diocesan safeguarding team safeguarding@dioceseofnorwich.org or 01603 882345

Sue Brice, diocesan safeguarding advisor sue.brice@dioceseofnorwich.org or 07958377079

If you have immediate concerns about the safety of someone, please contact the police and your local authority's children or adult social care services.

Mother Angela is building up her database of people's contact details. Please fill in a form and put it in an envelope. Then hand it to her, her husband, or a churchwarden.

Contact details

Mother Angela is happy to be contacted on her landline **01760 338552** or by email narvalleyrector@hotmail.com
This week her rest day is Saturday.

Churchwardens for each church may be rung at home. They are all volunteers.

Castle Acre:

Anne Loch 01760 755403

David Bowman 01603 483658

Narborough:

James Stephenson 01760 337901

Newton:

Tony Bell 01760 755506

Stephen Laing 01760 755455

Pentney

Sue Neep 01760 338037

Andrew Smith 01760 755102

South Acre:

Davina Barber 07967 369 573

West Acre:

Henry Birkbeck 01760 755254

Notices

Monday January 26th 4pm

Castle Acre P.C.C. in Old Mill House.

St James Castle Acre has **new pew Bibles**. You are invited to sponsor one - £15 each.

We have begun our new Sunday service pattern. Volunteers, please sign the sheets in church or email Mother Angela.

A big thank you to all those who have worked to make our church life here in the Nar Valley special -
those who work to make our churches look beautiful,
those who work to make our events welcoming,
those who work to make our worship inspiring,
those who work to make our life together loving,
those who do the practical organising to make things happen.

As our treasurers present the parish accounts for 2025 and budgets for 2026 to our PCCs, we give thanks for all who give to our churches. We pray for the **financial health** of our churches and their work. We consider what part we are called to play.