

Constable Country Benefice



St Mary's, East Bergholt



St Michael's, Brantham



St Mary's, Bentley



St Mary's, Tattingstone

Four Parishes - One Benefice – Stronger in Unity

This Sunday 8th February

Bentley

10am Morning Worship with Communion
(Rev Don)

Brantham

10.30am Morning Worship with
Communion (Rev Peter)

East Bergholt

10am Morning Worship with Communion.
1st reading of banns for Ellie Ranoe-Hall
and James Stocker (Rev Chris)
4pm Family@church (Fiona)
6.30pm The Gathering (Rev Chris)

Tattingstone

6pm Evensong (led by Simon)

2nd Sunday before Lent

Genesis 1.1—2.3

Psalm 136 or Psalm 136.1—9, 23—end

Romans 8.18—25

Matthew 6.25—end

Next Sunday 15th February

Bentley

10am Morning Worship (lay led)

Brantham

11am Morning Worship with Communion
(Rev Anthony Wilson)
6.30pm Moving Up Club

East Bergholt

8am BCP Communion Service (Rev Roy)
10am Morning Worship with Communion
2nd reading of banns for Ellie Ranoe-Hall and
James Stocker (Rev Roy)

Tattingstone

9.30am Morning Worship with Communion
(Rev Chris Chapman)

1st Sunday before Lent

Exodus 24.12—end

Psalm 2 or Psalm 99

2 Peter 1.16—end

Matthew 17.1—9

COLLECT

Almighty God,
give us reverence for all creation
and respect for every person,
that we may mirror your likeness
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God our creator, by your gift
the tree of life was set
at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life
at the heart of your Church:
may we who have been nourished
at your table on earth
be transformed by the glory
of the Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

This Week

Monday 9 th February	Assembly at Bentley Primary School (Rev Chris) Assembly at Tattingstone Primary School (Rev Chris) Assembly at EBPS (led by Chris)
Daily Reading	Genesis 29.31—30.24; 2 Timothy 4.1–8
Tuesday 10 th February	
Daily Reading	Genesis 31.1–24; 2 Timothy 4.9–end
Wednesday 11 th February	2.30pm Benefice Discussion Group at East Bergholt
Daily Reading	Genesis 31.25–32.2; Titus 1
Thursday 12 th February	9am Morning Prayer at the Rectory 2pm MU Meeting at East Bergholt 7pm Connect Youth at the Rectory
Daily Reading	Genesis 32.3–30; Titus 2
Friday 13 th February	9.30am -11.30am Toddlers and Carers at East Bergholt
Daily Reading	Genesis 33.1–17; Titus 3
Saturday 14 th February <u>Rev Chris rest day</u>	1pm Wedding of Maddie Smith and Sam Nightingale at Brantham
Daily Reading	Genesis 35; Philemon

- ❖ **Family Friendly Services** are held at 4pm on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Bring the family to one of our all-age family friendly services with stories, songs, activities and cake, lasting 40-45 minutes. Our next family service is this Sunday at East Bergholt and 22nd February at Brantham.
- ❖ **The Gathering:** A contemporary service with worship, word and prayer. Followed by tea, coffee and cake! Held at St. Mary's East Bergholt every second and fourth Sunday of each month starting at 6.30pm.
- ❖ **Lent group** will meet at 10.30am on Wednesdays at 52 Richardsons Road, East Bergholt for 6 weeks from 25th February. If you wish to take part, please let Rev Roy know, by 18th February. rseden@gmail.com / 07806940407

Looking further ahead.....



w/c 16th February

Monday 16th

11.30am Funeral of Peter Butcher at East Bergholt (led by Nick)

Tuesday 17th

Wednesday 18th Ash Wednesday

7.30pm Ash Wednesday Service at Brantham (led by Ruth)

Thursday 19th

Friday 20th

Saturday 21st

9.15am-9.45am Benefice prayer for mission at Brantham - please just come and join us or contact Len and Issy Smith for details

Sunday 22nd

10am Morning Worship at East Bergholt (led by Ruth)

10am Morning Worship with Communion at Bentley (Rev Livey)

10am Morning Worship with Communion at Tattingstone (Rev Don)

10.30am Morning Worship at Brantham (led by Len)

4pm Family at Church at Brantham (led by Ruth)

4pm SVAM concert (Trio Isimsiz) at East Bergholt

Pray for the church family:

Monday: Linda Daynes; Jeanette; Steve Newman; Sandra Jermyn; Marian Scott; Marji Holdsworth; Carole Wheatley; Christopher Lewis

Tuesday: Hilary Taylor; Margaret and Helen Wheatley; Christine Page; Daphne Glen; Carol Whitby; Marion Noble; Frances Grimwood

Wednesday: Jonathan Fermor; Jo and William Marston; Mandy Churchill; Wendy Felgate; Adi Lavender

Thursday: Vicky Scott; Peter Green and the Youth Group

Friday: Mary West; Annie Winckler; Eva Rainey; Valerie Ayton

Pray for those who have recently lost a loved one

The families and friends of Peter Butcher; Natalie Finch; Maggie Smith and all who grieve at this time of their sad loss.

Keeping connected....

- ❖ **Getting to services** - do you need a lift to our services (or can provide lifts for others) please contact Michelle - michelle@constablebenefice.org / 07955 329341.
- ❖ **Weekly emails/blog** - if you would like to receive the weekly email, please message Michelle to add your name to our distribution list.
- ❖ **Alpha** - each year we run a least one Alpha course exploring life and the Christian faith. Contact Rev Chris revchris@constablebenefice.org / 07566 871270 for more information.
- ❖ **Discussion groups** - a few discussion groups are held throughout the year, if you would like to join contact Rev Roy - rseden@gmail.com / 07806 940407
- ❖ **Connect Youth Group** – A weekly group aimed at teenagers with fun faith and friends... contact Rev Chris or Issy Smith - 07941 096809
- ❖ **Open the Book** -taking bible stories into school with drama. If interested contact Ruth Bull ruthbull@btinternet.com / 01206 298733
- ❖ **Moving Up Club** – Something new for the “younger” youth - for those in school years 6, 7 and 8. beginning on 4th January at St Michael’s Brantham. Speak to Len or Issy Smith or Rev. Chris for more details or email: youth@constablebenefice.org

Rector: Rev Chris Willis, The Rectory, Rectory Lane, Brantham CO11 1PZ
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Facebook: stmaryseastbergholt and St Michael's Church, Brantham

Parish Safeguarding Officers

East Bergholt	Howard Holdsworth	07970 416249	Brantham	Issy Smith	07941 096809
Bentley	Tom Hill	01473 311119	Tattingstone	Suena Harley	01473 327531

Retired Priests (Permission to Officiate granted by the Bishop)

Revd Peter Ball 01206 393316 | Revd Roy Seden 07806 940407 | Revd Don Mehen 01473 310383

Readers

Nick Pavitt	01473 328512		Ruth Bull	01206 298733		Sandra Mehen	01473 310383
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Churchwardens

East Bergholt	Fiona Trott	01206 298205	Brantham	Jane Pavitt	01473 328512
	Jackie Reeves	01206 299973		Len Smith	07986 767123
Bentley	Tom Hill	01473 311119	Tattingstone	Linda Smalley	07803 589862
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Elders

East Bergholt	Fiona Trott	01206 298205	Brantham	Sarah McCraw	01206 391384
	Chris Jacob	01206 298552		Len Smith	07986 767123
Bentley	Jane Day	01473 310518	Tattingstone	Issy Smith	07941 096809
	Carolyn Evans	01473 311090		Simon Harley	01473 327531
	Doreen Savage	01473 311122		Suena Harley	01473 327531

Organists

East Bergholt – Vacancy
Tattingstone - Jane Gould
Brantham - David McLachlan
Bentley - Wilf Newport-Herring