

Lent Lunches /Bishop's Lent Appeal we will continue to share bread and soup on Sundays in Lent from 12.30pm. There will be the opportunity to make donations towards the Bishop's Lent Appeal for Papua New Guinea.

Mothering Sunday 15th March - Children (with an adult) are invited to come to church on Friday 13th March between 3 and 4.30pm or Saturday 14th March between 10am and 12pm to make posies and cards for their special person - probably Mum! - and also to give out at the services on Sunday to which everyone is welcome.

Confirmation Bring & Share the service on 22nd March will be followed by a Bring and Share Lunch.

Holy Week and Easter services are on the noticeboards in church for St Ed's, St Peter's and the livestreams. For **Good Friday** the Churches Together service will be at 10.30am at St Margaret's Drayton and there will be a service of Reflection at St Peter's at 2.00pm. On Holy Saturday St Ed's will be open for a time of prayer from 3.00pm to 5.00pm. Other services are as advertised.

APCM our Annual meeting will be held on Monday 18th May at St Ed's. Nominations for PCC (our Church Council) would be gratefully received!

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. Details from our Churchwardens David and Sue

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

8th March 2026



Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.'

John 4 : 13 - 14

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Prayer for this week

Almighty God,
whose most dear Son went not up to joy
but first he suffered pain,
and entered not into glory
and entered not into glory
before he was crucified:
mercifully grant that we,
walking in the way of the cross,
may find it none other
than the way of life and peace;
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,
give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we are
promised
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings this week

Exodus 17 : 1 - 7

Romans 5 : 1 - 11

John 4 : 5 - 42

We praise the Lord and give thanks ...

For our Churchwardens, their dedication
and faith in Jesus

For those being baptised, and those
being Confirmed at this time

Thoughts for this week

The encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman is one of the most profound episodes in the life of Jesus. It is even depicted in our East window. On a very ordinary day for the woman, meeting with Jesus changed her life, and the conversation recorded contains some of the most profound truths of the New Testament for worship, faith and the work of the Holy Spirit.

Perhaps most remarkable is the way in which the woman becomes a channel for the Lord's grace. She is so powerfully impacted by Jesus, she goes and tells everyone. They then believe. They open their lives to who Jesus is. Invite Him to stay. And they are Samaritans! This is the Gospel breaking into the world and transforming people's lives.

Today is International Women's Day. Yet for Jesus, that is true of every day. Jesus speaks to the woman personally, knowing the depths of her situation. Yet Jesus also shares truth for each of us personally in our lives, of the living streams of the Holy Spirit.

In these days of uncertainties and tensions, the well of the Lord's grace is never dry. We have access to living streams. Can Lent be a time when we discover these and receive in a new way?
Paul

What's on

Sunday 8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Mustard Tree
11.15am Livestream service
12.30pm Lent lunch
2.00pm & 3.30pm Conf'n prep

Monday 8.30am Langley Prayers
5.00pm Prayers
7.30pm PCC meeting

Tuesday 10.00am Tuesdays at St Ed's
6.00pm Rspace

Wednesday 10.30pm Holy Communion
12.30pm Burial service

Thursday 9.00am Caretaking team
12.15am Prayer Spaces
5.30pm Confirmation preparation
7.00pm Compline

Friday 9.00pm Year 4's in church
9.30am Arts Group at Trinity
3.00pm Mothering Sunday crafts

Sunday 9.30am Mustard Tree Communion
11.15am Holy Communion
12.30pm Lent Lunch
2.00pm & 3.30pm Confirmation preparation

St Peter's Ringland

8th March **11.00am** Service in the Village Hall, starting at 11am the service will be followed by 'bring and share' lunch

The Gathering 29th March 3.00pm to 5.00pm for music, food, firepit, and fun
Good Friday 2.00pm Reflection with hymns

5th April Easter Day 10.30am Informal Family Holy Communion