

Constable Country Benefice



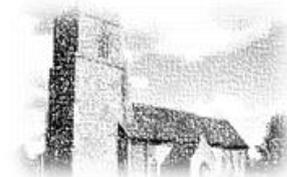
St Mary's, East Bergholt



St Michael's, Brantham



St Mary's, Bentley



St Mary's, Tattingsstone

Four Parishes - One Benefice – Stronger in Unity

This Sunday
29th March – Palm Sunday

**Clocks go forward one hour at
1am this Sunday (29th)**

Bentley

10am Benefice Communion
(Rev Chris)

Brantham

6.30pm Moving Up Club

Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50.4–9a

Psalm 31.9–16

Philippians 2.5–11

Matthew 26.14—end of 27

Easter Sunday
5th April

Bentley

10am Morning Worship with Communion
Service (Rev Chris)

Brantham

10.30am Morning Worship with Communion.
2nd reading of Banns for Louise Wilson and
Chris Clarke (Rev Peter)

East Bergholt

10am Morning Worship with Communion.
2nd reading of Banns for Hannah Edwards
and Justin Maxwell (Rev Roy)

Tattingsstone

10am Morning Worship with Communion
(Rev Don)

Easter Sunday

Jeremiah 31.1–6

Psalm 118.1–2, 14–24 [or 118.14–24]

Colossians 3.1–4

or Matthew 28.1–10

COLLECT

True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith
to know you and love you,
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.
Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself
in taking the form of a servant,
and in obedience
died on the cross for our salvation:
give us the mind to follow you
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father
Amen

THEREFORE go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you and surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Matthew 28:19-20

This Week	
Monday 30 th March	7.15pm-9.15pm Lent Group at “Nine Oaks” Tattingstone, IP9 2NY 7.30pm Meditation for Holy Week at East Bergholt (Rev Chris)
Daily Reading	Lamentations 1.1–12a; Luke 22.1–23
Tuesday 31 st March	2pm Interment of ashes of Pamela Dunthorne at Brantham (Rev Chris)
Daily Reading	Lamentations 3.1–18; Luke 22: 39–53
Wednesday 1 st April	9.30am BCP Service at East Bergholt (Rev Peter) 10:00 Take a Break Coffee, incorporating “Knit & Natter” at East Bergholt
Daily Reading	Wisdom 1.16–2.1; 2.12–22; Luke 22.54–end
Maundy Thursday 2 nd April	9am Morning Prayer at 22 Richardson Close, East Bergholt 7.30pm Informal Maundy Thursday Service at Brantham (led by Ruth and Rev Chris)
Daily Reading	Leviticus 16.2–24; Luke 23.1–25
Good Friday 3 rd April	10am Friendly Family Service at Brantham (led by Sarah) 2pm An Hour at the Cross (Rev Chris)
Daily Reading	Genesis 22.1–18; Hebrews 10.1–10
Easter Saturday 4 th April <i>Rev Chris rest day</i>	9.15am-9.45am Benefice prayer for mission at Brantham - please just come along or contact Len and Issy Smith for more details 7.30pm Easter Vigil at Brantham (led by Ruth)
Daily Reading	Hosea 6.1–6; John 2.18–22

- ❖ **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 services are on 12th April at East Bergholt and 26th April at Brantham
- ❖ **The Gathering:** A contemporary service with worship, word and prayer. With tea, coffee and cake! Held at St. Mary’s East Bergholt every 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month starting at 6.30pm.

Looking further ahead.....



Monday 6th

Tuesday 7th

Wednesday 8th

Thursday 9th

9am Morning Prayer at the Rectory
2pm MU Meeting at East Bergholt

Friday 10th

9.30am - 11.30am Toddlers and Carers at East Bergholt
6pm Choir practice at East Bergholt

Saturday 11th

9.15am-9.45am Benefice prayer for mission at Brantham

Sunday 12th

10am Morning Worship with Communion at East Bergholt, followed by APCM.
3rd reading of banns for Hannah Edwards and Justin Maxwell (Rev Chris)
10am Morning Worship at Bentley (lay led)
10.30am Morning Worship with Communion at Brantham *3rd reading of banns for Louise Wilson and Chris Clarke (marrying at Lawford) (Rev Peter)*
4pm family@church at East Bergholt (led by Fiona)
6pm Evensong at Tattingstone (let by Simon)
6.30pm The Gathering at East Bergholt (Rev Chris)

Pray for the church family:

Monday: Linda Daynes; Jeanette; Steve Newman; Sandra Jermyn; Marian Scott; Carole Wheatley; Christopher Lewis; Rev Chris Chapman

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; Wendie Felgate; Adi Lavender

Thursday: Colin Firmin; Vicky Scott; Peter Green and the Youth Group

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

Pray for those who have recently lost a loved one

The families and friends of Dr Charity Tetteh; Rev. John and Glenda Druce; Rita Richman; Marji Holdsworth; Andrew Page; Peter Butcher 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** – For the “younger” youth - for those in school years 6, 7 and 8. Held at St Michael’s Brantham. Speak to Len or Issy Smith or Rev. Chris for more details or email: youth@constablebenefice.org

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Facebook: [smaryseastbergholt](https://www.facebook.com/smaryseastbergholt) 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

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
	Jane Day	01473 310518		Lyn Tomlinson	01473 328251

Elders

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

Organists

East Bergholt – Vacancy
Tattingstone - Jane Gould

Brantham - David McLachlan
Bentley - Wilf Newport-Herring