

# Constable Country Benefice



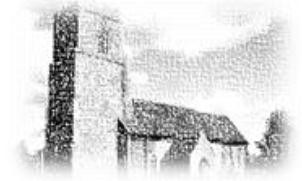
St Mary's, East Bergholt



St Michael's, Brantham



St Mary's, Bentley



St Mary's, Tattingstone

## Four Parishes - One Benefice – Stronger in Unity

**Sunday  
19<sup>th</sup> April**

### Bentley

10am Morning Worship (lay led)

### Brantham

11am Morning Worship with Communion  
followed by APCM (Rev Chris)  
6.30pm Moving Up Club

### East Bergholt

8am BCP Communion (Rev Roy)  
10am Morning Worship with Communion  
(Rev Roy)

### Tattingstone

9.30am Morning Worship with Communion  
(Rev Chris)

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter  
**Zephaniah 3.14-end**  
Psalm 116.1-3, 10-end  
1 Peter 1.17-23  
**Luke 24.13-35**

**Next Sunday  
26<sup>th</sup> April**

### Bentley

10am Morning worship with Communion  
followed by APCM (Rev Chris)

### Brantham

10.30am Morning Worship (led by Len)  
4pm Family at Church (Led by Sarah and Sue)  
6.30pm Moving Up Club

### East Bergholt

10am Morning Worship (led by Nick)  
6.30pm The Gathering (Rev Chris)

### Tattingstone

10am Morning Worship with Communion  
(Rev Don)

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
**Genesis 7**  
Psalm 23  
1 Peter 2.19-end  
**John 10.1-10**

### **COLLECT**

Risen Christ,  
you filled your disciples  
with boldness and fresh hope:  
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life  
and fill us with your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father  
Amen

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Living God,  
your Son made himself known to his disciples  
in the breaking of bread:  
open the eyes of our faith,  
that we may see him  
in all his redeeming work;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever  
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*

<b>This Week</b>	
<b>Monday</b> 20 <sup>th</sup> April	11am Funeral of Brian Waters at East Bergholt (Rev John Thackeray) 1.15pm Assembly at Tattingstone Primary School (Rev Chris)
Daily Reading	Exodus 32.1-14; Luke 2.41-end
<b>Tuesday</b> 21 <sup>st</sup> April	
Daily Reading	Exodus 32.15-34; Luke 3.1-14
<b>Wednesday</b> 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	
Daily Reading	Exodus 33; Luke 3.15-22
<b>Thursday</b> 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	9am Morning Prayer at the Rectory 7pm Connect Youth at the Rectory
Daily Reading	Exodus 34.1-10, 27-end; Luke 4.1-13
<b>Friday</b> 24 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am - 11.30am Toddlers and Carers at East Bergholt
Daily Reading	Proverbs 4.10-18; James 1.1-12
<b>Saturday</b> 25 <sup>th</sup> April <i>Rev Chris</i> <i>rest day</i>	9am-9.30am Benefice prayer for mission at Brantham
Daily Reading	Exodus 40.17-end; Luke 4.31-37

- ❖ **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 26<sup>th</sup> April at Brantham and 10<sup>th</sup> May at East Bergholt.
- ❖ **The Gathering:** A contemporary service with worship, word and prayer. With tea, coffee and cake! Held at St. Mary's East Bergholt every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month starting at 6.30pm.

*Looking further ahead.....*



**Monday 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>**

9am Morning Prayer at the Rectory  
7pm Connect Youth at the Rectory

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

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

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>**

9am-9.30am Benefice prayer for mission at Brantham  
9am Men's Breakfast at East Bergholt - talk by Neil Culham about St. Mary's unique bells.

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>**

8am BCP service at East Bergholt  
10.30am Connect service at Tattinstone

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**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:** 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 Colin Firmin; Dr Charity Tetteh; Rev. John and Glenda Druce 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:youth@constablebenefice.org)

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**Facebook:** [smaryseastbergholt](https://www.facebook.com/smaryseastbergholt) and St Michael's Church, Brantham

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### Parish Safeguarding Officers

<b>East Bergholt</b>	Howard Holdsworth	07970 416249	<b>Brantham</b>	Issy Smith	07941 096809
<b>Bentley</b>	Tom Hill	01473 311119	<b>Tattingstone</b>	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

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### Readers

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

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### Churchwardens

<b>East Bergholt</b>	Fiona Trott	01206 298205	<b>Brantham</b>	Jane Pavitt	01473 328512
	Jackie Reeves	01206 299973		Len Smith	07986 767123
<b>Bentley</b>	Tom Hill	01473 311119	<b>Tattingstone</b>	Linda Smalley	07803 589862
	Jane Day	01473 310518		Lyn Tomlinson	01473 328251

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### Elders

<b>East Bergholt</b>	Fiona Trott	01206 298205	<b>Brantham</b>	Sarah McCraw	01206 391384
	Chris Jacob	01206 298552		Len Smith	07986 767123
				Issy Smith	07941 096809
<b>Bentley</b>	Jane Day	01473 310518	<b>Tattingstone</b>	Simon Harley	01473 327531
	Carolyn Evans	01473 311090		Suena Harley	01473 327531
	Doreen Savage	01473 311122		Linda Smalley	07803 589862

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### Organists

**East Bergholt** – Vacancy  
**Tattingstone** - Jane Gould

**Brantham** - David McLachlan  
**Bentley** - Wilf Newport-Herring