



† GREAT YARMOUTH MINSTER † ST PAUL'S † ST MARY'S

Sunday 3rd May 2026 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

Service Today:

09.30 Sunday Worship with Holy Communion at St Paul's
 10.30 Sunday Worship with Holy Communion at the Minster
 11.00 Sunday Worship with Holy Communion at St Mary's
 18.00 Choral Evensong at the Minster

Reflection

In our reading from Acts this week we are thrust into the terrifying scene of the murder of Saint Stephen by stoning, with the future Saint Paul looking on and approving. In carrying out this brutal killing, Paul and his accomplices believe they are doing something good, something which God wants. This is one of the most chilling things about evil: its perpetrators often think they are doing good and even acting in God's name. Our job as Christians is to call out such acts of evil. Most of all, we need to be wary of our own tendency to justify our own evil in the same way.

Revd Richard

This Week's Diary

Minster open daily 10am-12pm. Morning Prayer is said daily Monday - Thursday in the Minster at 9am. All welcome

Date	Time	Service/Event	Church/Location
Monday 4th			
Tuesday 5th	12.00 13.30	Lunchtime Holy Communion Hand Bell Ringers Practice	Minster Vestry
Wednesday 6th	10.00 10.00 11.00 11.00 12.30 14.30	Midweek Holy Communion Garden Project Funeral of the late Joan Rosemary Varney Guided walk by Norfolk Wildlife Trust Wednesday Club Women's Fellowship ('More Maid's Tales')	St Mary's St Paul's Minster Kitchener Road Gate St Mary's St Paul's
Thursday 7th	10.00 16.45 19.00 19.00	Reflective Space Choristers Bell Ringers Practice Choir Rehearsal	St Mary's Minster Minster Minster
Friday 8th	11.00	VE Day	St George's Park
Saturday 9th	10.00 12.00 12.30	Vestry Hour Alpha Course Bingo ('Eyes Down' at 1pm)	Minster Vestry St Mary's
Sunday 10th	09.30 10.30 11.00 12.30	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion Sunday Worship with Holy Communion Sunday Worship with Holy Communion Baptism	St Paul's Minster St Mary's Minster

Notices

Thank you to all those who contributed to our **Foodbank appeal** at Easter. Some 2026 statistics to share: Foodbank has distributed 1252 parcels which is 4379Kg of food. Pathway has served 4914 meals to those in need. In total 1475 individuals have been served across Foodbank and Pathway. Thank you for your kindness and support!

Parking Reminder: Please stay vigilant by keeping all valuables (or anything that could be seen as valuable) out of sight in your car or take them with you. Thank you.

VE Day will be marked with a short ceremony in St George's Park at 11am on Friday 8th May. All welcome

Alpha Course every Saturday at 12pm: until 16th May: Minster vestry. See <https://alpha.org.uk/what-is-alpha>.

Christian Aid Week starts Sunday 10th May.

Guided walk by Norfolk Wildlife Trust on plants growing in the Cemeteries. Weds 6th May 11 am. Meet at gates on Kitchener Road. Free

Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham Shrine: 3rd – 5th July 2026. The Pilgrimage will run from Friday to Sunday, and we will stay two nights at the Shrine. The cost is £159 per adult and £95.60 for under 16s, with a £40 deposit to be paid per person. Please let Rev Richard know by **Thursday 7 May** if you would like to come. You can pay the deposit in cash (to Richard) or by bank transfer to the PCC (ref. 'Walsingham'). Contact: revrichard@gtyarmouthminster.org

Ascension Day will be marked with a service at St Mary's on Thursday 14th May, 6pm. All are welcome: come and join us!

St Paul's Summer Fete: Saturday 6th June, 11 am to 2 pm - Fun for all the family!

Parish Life Magazine: The May issue is out now. Send your articles to patstringer1840@gmail.com

PARISH PRAYER LIST. Pray for those who are sick or in need, all who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit or in need of God's loving care: Kevin, Len, Patrick, Rosemarie, Norman, Melanie. We remember before God the recently departed: Joan Varney, Jenny Oxborough, Nathan Docwra and Patricia Page