

**Baptism of Sam Frisby** will be today (17<sup>th</sup>) at the river in Ringland. Please pray for Sam as she makes this exciting step of faith In Jesus

**Christian Aid Week ends** today (10<sup>th</sup>). Please pray for the work of Christian Aid. This year's focus is on helping people to establish mini – farms in areas of urban poverty. Envelopes are available in church and we will continue to gather these this week.

**Organ recital** many thanks to all those involved in the recital. Particular thanks to Richard Bower and Gwendolyn.

**APCM** our Annual meeting will be on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May at St Ed's at 7.00pm. Nomination forms for PCC and Churchwarden are available in church. From 8.00pm we will have a speaker on Eco Church. All welcome!

**Plant Sale and Display of Crafts 23<sup>rd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> May** for Christian Aid - Please bring any plants for sale to church on Thursday morning 21<sup>st</sup> May, Friday afternoon 22<sup>nd</sup> May or from 9am on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will be setting up church for the craft displays on Friday afternoon so you can bring yours then or on the Saturday morning. All offers of your crafting, big or small, are welcome so we can celebrate local talent! Any queries, ask Sue E or Sue B

**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](mailto: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](http://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

17<sup>th</sup> May 2026



For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. John 17 : 1 – 3

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## Prayer for this week

O God the King of glory,  
you have exalted your only Son Jesus  
Christ  
with great triumph to your kingdom in  
heaven:  
we beseech you, leave us not  
comfortless,  
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us  
and exalt us to the place where our  
Saviour Christ is gone before,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

Risen, ascended Lord,  
as we rejoice at your triumph,  
fill your Church on earth with power and  
compassion,  
that all who are estranged by sin  
may find forgiveness and know your  
peace,  
to the glory of God the Father. Amen

## Readings this week

Acts 1 : 6 - 14  
1 Peter 4 : 12 – 14, 5 : 6 - 11  
John 17 : 1 - 11

## We give thanks for.....

The work of Christian Aid  
Sean and Charlotte's wedding  
Our Annual meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> May

## Thought for the week

We have reached the last Sunday in  
Easter. In our Gospel reading Jesus has  
been speaking with His disciples at the  
Last Supper. But now He turns His  
attention heavenwards, and addresses  
His Father. This is a very rare moment,  
and we are led into the privilege of  
witnessing the heart of the love between  
the Father and the Son, in the power of  
the Holy Spirit. This is holy ground. We do  
not deserve to witness this moment, yet  
we are invited anyway.

Some might see this as the heart of the  
Gospel. As frail and faltering human  
beings we are invited into God's heart of  
love. We are offered forgiveness and  
new life, and to live in eternal life which  
is this present, wonderful awareness of  
God's love surrounding us and filling us.

Jesus prays in the Father's presence for  
us as Jesus' disciples in our world today.  
The Lord's face has always been turned  
towards our world, and we are called to  
share Jesus' love, and draw others to  
Him. Today marks the end of Christian  
Aid week. We celebrate all that is  
achieved through the love and  
compassion of Jesus in the hardest  
places. And that the Father is present,  
listens to us, goes with us, is always  
attentive to us, welcomes us, through  
the grace of the Son and in the power

of the Holy Spirit. How truly blessed we  
are, and all believers in Jesus! **Paul**

## What's on

Sunday 9.30am Mustard Tree Church  
Holy Communion  
11.15am Holy Communion  
Monday 5.00pm Prayers  
7.00pm Annual meeting  
Tuesday 10.00am Tuesdays at St Ed's  
6.00pm Rspace  
Wednesday 10.30pm Holy Communion  
1.00pm Burial of ashes  
Thursday 9.00am Caretaking team  
12.30pm Prayer Spaces at the  
Junior School  
7.00pm Compline  
Saturday 10.30am 10.30am Plant Stall  
and crafts display  
Sunday 8.00am Holy Communion  
9.30am Mustard Tree Church  
11.15am Service of the Word

**Our Livestreams** continue as follows :  
Sundays : 11.15am Livestream team on  
2<sup>nd</sup> (in church) and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays each  
month

## St Peter's Ringland

17<sup>th</sup> May Baptism of Sam Frisby

The Gathering 24<sup>th</sup> May 3.00pm to  
5.00pm for music, food, firepit, and fun

14<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am at St Peter's