

Pew Sheet

28 June 2026

Fourth Sunday after Trinity



Celebrating St Peter and St Paul

A warm welcome to all visitors to church on this day

Today's Services

10am Sung Eucharist St Peter's Little Thurlow

6pm Evensong St Peter and St Paul's Kedington

Services this week:

Evening Prayer Monday 5pm St Peter and St Paul's Kedington

Said Eucharist Wednesday 10am St Peter and St Paul's Kedington

Services next Sunday

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Collect: Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their death as in their life: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and made one by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, 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**

First reading	Ezekiel 3 v 22 - 27
Second reading	1 Peter 2 v 19 - 25
Gospel reading	Matthew 16 v 13 - 19

Hear The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

All Glory to you O Lord

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock, I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you O Christ

Post Communion prayer: Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Evensong readings

Psalm 124 or 138

Ezekiel 34 v 11 – 16

John 21 v 15 - 22

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Home Communions - Pastoral Care:

The Blessed Sacrament is perpetually reserved for the Communion of the housebound, the sick and dying. Please inform Fr Chris or a member of the ministry team, of parishioners who are sick or in hospital, and of those who are in need of pastoral care. **The Sacrament of Reconciliation** by arrangement with the Rector.

Prayer List

Our prayers are asked particularly for:

Terry Chittock – Jacob and his family – Leo and Val Farthing – Paul Allard
Steve Watts – Iris Eley – Frank Underwood – Stephen Giles – Tom Ogden
Jill Thaine – Andrew Pound – King Charles

We also pray for others. Those who have asked to be remembered in our prayers in church and at home.

We pray for those that have recently died and whose loss we mourn:

Jod Spiro – Keith Skinner

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord

All And let light perpetual shine upon them

May they rest in peace

All And rise in glory

An invitation: If you wish to receive communion, please come forward when guided by the stewards. Members of other churches who usually receive communion are welcome to do so here. Those not wishing to receive communion are welcome to come for a blessing; it is helpful if you indicate this by bringing your service booklet with you. If you find it difficult to come to the altar rail, please tell this to the steward on duty, so communion may be brought to you in your seat.

Gluten free Communion wafers are available – please ask when you come up to the altar rail. If you do not wish to receive from the Chalice, please say 'Intinct' as the Priest approaches you, and they will intinct the wafer in Consecrated wine from a separate Chalice.

Notices

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Do you know someone who can play the piano or keyboard who might be interested in discovering more about the organs in the Benefice or even able to join the rota of regular organists? Please put them in touch with Paul or Jill Davis, 01440 713137

Forthcoming events: Please send me details of events you wish to publicise by email or phone, and I will do my best to include it (subject to space). Fr Chris Giles – stourheadbenefice@gmail.com 01440 762901

Church Coffee Morning “Dolce Gusto” 10am until 12 noon every Tuesday at St Peter and St Paul’s Church in Kedington.

TODAY Drinks served after the 10am Eucharist at St. Peter’s Little Thurlow to continue to celebrate Fr Chris’ 10-year anniversary of ordination.

TODAY 2pm until 4pm **Great Bradley Church Fete**. Entry £2.50 kids free. Tower tours, steam engines and vintage tractors, Hadstock Silver Band, Hall gardens, cream teas, barbecue, hamper draw, stalls.

TODAY 4.30pm **Patronal Festival Afternoon Tea**, followed at 6pm by **Evensong** St Peter and St Paul’s Church, Kedington.

Saturday 11 July 9am until 1pm **Churchyard Gardening** and St Peter and St Paul, Kedington.

31 July, 1 and 2 August – Jigsaw Puzzle and Beer Festival at St Peter and St Paul’s in Kedington. A display of completed jigsaw puzzles which are for sale plus competitions, produce, crafts, pre-loved books, hot drinks, cake, local beers and ciders, wine, soft drinks. Free entry. Saturday afternoon – barbeque.

Safeguarding – Safeguarding is about caring for one another and our community. As Christians, this is something we all need to do. If you would like any training or have any questions; please contact Fr Chris or another member of the Ministry team. Benefice Safeguarding Officers are Naomi Shelmerdine and Ruth Hopper. Contact phone number 07405 624132

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