

The Stourhead Benefice

Pew Sheet

14 June 2026

Second Sunday after Trinity

A warm welcome to all visitors to church on this day

Today's Services

10am Sung Eucharist All Saints Great Thurlow

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

10am Sung Eucharist St Mary's Great Wratting celebrating 10 years since Fr Chris' ordination

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Collect: Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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First reading Genesis 18 v 1 - 15
Second reading Romans 5 v 1 - 8
Gospel reading Matthew 9 v 35 – 10 v 8

Hear The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

All Glory to you O Lord

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

Then Jesus* summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus;* Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you O Christ

Post Communion prayer: Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Home Communion - 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 – Steve Macintosh – 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 – Peter Phillips – 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

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

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

TODAY Meadow Praise on the Great Meadow 6pm. Bring a picnic to enjoy before the service.

Sunday 21 June 2026 we will join with Fr Chris Giles as he celebrates 10 years since his ordination. 10am Eucharist at St Mary’s Great Wrating followed by refreshments.

Friday 26 June Little Thurlow Garden Party at “The Grange” from 6pm until 8pm.

Saturday 27 June Midsummer Party at Great Bradley Church 4.30pm until 8.30pm. Tickets £10 includes drinks and jazz music.

Sunday 28 June Drinks served after the 10am Eucharist to continue to celebrate Fr Chris’ 10-year anniversary of ordination.

Sunday 28 June 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.

Sunday 28 June 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.

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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