

BENEFICE WEEKLY NEWS AND NOTICES



ELMSETT
ST PETER

ALDHAM
ST MARY

KERSEY
ST MARY

HINTLESHAM
ST NICHOLAS

CHATTISHAM
ALL SAINTS & ST MARGARET

Sunday 5th July 5th Sunday after Trinity

Kersey 11am Holy Communion
Chattisham 9:30am Holy Communion
Elmsett 9:30am Morning Prayer
Aldham 11am Morning Prayer

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading Romans 7:15-25a

Paul laments that his desire to obey God's laws is continually sabotaged by forces within that drive sinful behaviour. Only God's power through Christ can bring release.

Gospel Matthew 11:16-19. 25-30

Jesus notes how this generation resists those whom God has sent. He invites those who are humble and needy to receive from him as he reveals God's kingdom.

Post Communion

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Benefice of St Peter Elmsett
St Mary Aldham
St Mary Kersey
St Nicholas Hintlesham
All Saints and St Margaret Chattisham

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In our prayers this week...

The church throughout the world... In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we remember this week The Anglican Church of South America (Argentina, Bolivia, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay) and it's Presiding Bishop Brian Williams the Bishop of Argentina.

Our local schools... For Kersey School, the headteachers Jess Damant and Claire Dunnell Paley, the staff, governors and pupils.
Those who are suffering in body mind and spirit. For our local healthcare centres and those who work at the Children's Hospice in Ipswich.

Trouble spots around the world...

Remembering the ongoing conflict in Ukraine and Sudan and for the peace process in the Middle East praying for those who are working to bring peace and reconciliation.

Local and national government... For our Babergh District Councillor Deborah Saw.

Our local Hospitality industry... our local pubs, hotels, cafes and bars.

Our clergy and accredited ministers...

This week we pray for the parish of Elmsett the churchwardens and the Local Ministry Team.

Dates for your diary

July 2026

8th July – Coffee Morning
Kersey church 9:30-12

10th July Elmsett Cheese and Wine evening
tickets £12

21st July – Rural Coffee Caravan
10am – 12 Chattisham Church.
2pm – 4pm Outside Hintlesham Community
Hall

15th July – Discussion Group 3pm in
Chattisham Church

15th July Fish and Chip lunch Methodist
Church 12pm

28th July – Craft & Chat 10am – 3pm in
Chattisham Church

August 2026

12th August Coffee Morning Kersey church
9:30-12

19th August Fish and Chip lunch Methodist
Church 12pm

September 2026

2nd September – Coffee Stop 10-12pm
Hintlesham Community Hall

Sunday 12th July Trinity 6

Hintlesham 9:30am All age Eucharist

Elmsett 9:30am Morning Prayer

Kersey 11am Parish Service

Aldham 11am Morning Prayer

Collect

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through 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.

First Reading Romans 8:1-11

Gospel Matthew 13:1-9. 18-23

Regular Events

Kersey

Celtic Morning Prayer – Tuesdays at
9:30am

**Coffee Morning 2nd Wednesdays 9:30-12
in church.**

Hintlesham and Chattisham

Coffee Stop 1st Wednesday of the month
Drop in between 10am – 12 Community
Hall

Discussion Group 3rd Wed of the month
3pm in Chattisham Church

Craft and Chat 4th Tues of the month
10am – 3pm in Chattisham Church

Rural coffee caravan 3rd Tues of the
month

10am – 12 Chattisham Church.

2pm – 4pm Outside Community Hall

Elmsett

Methodist Coffee Morning Every 1st
Saturday of the month from 10am.

Bellringing:

Kersey Thursdays 7:45pm

Elmsett Wednesdays 7:30pm

Hintlesham First Friday of the month
7:30pm

And finally on this day 5th July 1865 the UK passed the world's first speed limit laws known as the "Red Flag Act". The law restricted steam powered vehicles to 2 mph in towns and 4 mph in the countryside, requiring a man with a red flag to walk ahead. The First Speeding Ticket was issued in 1896 to Mr. Walter Arnold who was fined £4.7/- for driving his "Benz horseless carriage" at 8 mph. He was "chased" by a policeman on a bicycle for 5 miles and charged with using a locomotive without a horse, operating it without a crew of 3 and for not having his name and address on the vehicle. Ironically Mr Arnold was one of the first car dealers and the publicity helped sell cars and raise the speed limit to 14mph.