

Praying Together

August 2026

We pray for our churches and the communities we serve.

Please use this leaflet in your prayers.

Lark Valley and North Bury Team Ministry

- St Mary, Culford • St Catherine of Alexandria, Flempton cum Hengrave •
 - Fornham All Saints • Fornham St Martin cum St Geneviève •
- St Lawrence, Lackford • St Andrew, Timworth • St Mary, West Stow & Wordwell •
 - All Saints, Bury St Edmunds • St George, Bury St Edmunds •
 - St John the Evangelist, Bury St Edmunds •

On Saturday 6th August the Church remembers the Transfiguration of Our Lord when the disciples see Jesus in glory speaking with Moses and Elijah. This mountain-top event is described in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke and is referred to in the Second Letter of Peter.

Collect

Father in heaven,
whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured
before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain,
and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem:
give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross
that in the world to come we may see him as he is;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

2nd August 2026, Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Collect : Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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.

Either Isaiah 55:1-5 *or* Genesis 32:22-31 | Psalm 145:8-9. 15-end [or 145:15-end] | Romans 9:1-5 | Matthew 14:13-21

9th August, Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect : Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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.

Either 1 Kings 19:9-18 Or Genesis 37:1-4. 12-28 | Psalm 85:8-13 | Romans 10:5-15 | Matthew 14:22-33

16th August, Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Collect : O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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.

Either Isaiah 56:1. 6-8 or Genesis 45:1-15 | Psalm 67 | Romans 11:1-2a. 29-32 | Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

23rd August, Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Collect : Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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.

Either Isaiah 51:1-6 Or Exodus 1:8 – 2:10 | Psalm 138 | Romans 12:1-8 | Matthew 16:13-20

30th August, Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect : Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Either Jeremiah 15:15-21 Or Exodus 3:1-15 | Psalm 26:1-8 | Romans 12:9-end | Matthew 16:21-end

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For the wider community & church

- 1 S For all with money worries

- 2 S The sugar beet factory
- 3 M The Job Centre Plus office
- 4 T Bury St Edmunds Library; The Lark Valley Library Van
- 5 W Bury Market
- 6 T Springfield Road housing area
- 7 F The Suffolk Regiment museum; The Territorial Army centre
- 8 S The Leisure Centre

- 9 S The Westley Estate
- 10 M County High School (formerly Westley Middle)
- 11 T Adults and children with special needs
- 12W Social Care Services & for all caring for relatives at home
- 13 T The emergency services, fire, police & ambulance
- 14 F The East Anglian Air Ambulance
- 15 S The Railway Station

- 16 S The Bus Station
- 17 M Local public transport
- 18 T Spring Lane & Thingoe Hill housing areas
- 19 W All who live in Hengrave
- 20 T St John Lateran, Hengrave
- 21 F Hengrave Hall
- 22 S Beetons Way, Tollgate Lane & Fornham Road areas

- 23 S The Howard Estate
- 24 M Newbury Community Association
- 25 T Tollgate Primary School
- 26 W County High School (formerly County Upper)
- 27 T St Benedict's School
- 28 F Howard Community Academy
- 29 S For all affected by family breakup

- 30 S For those who are lonely
- 31 M For those who have lost faith in the Church