

The Combs and Finborough News Sheet

Buxhall, Combs, Gt and Lt Finborough, Harleston, Onehouse and Shelland



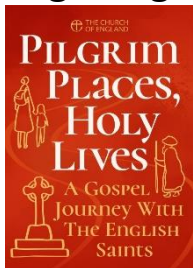
WELCOME

As we keep in touch, pray and support each other

9th August 2026 : The Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord

9.30 am	Morning Worship	Shelland
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Buxhall
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Onehouse
11.00 am	Morning Worship	Great Finborough

Pilgrimage Short Course and Quiet Day



Our short course continues exploring the ancient practice of pilgrimage. The last session takes place at **Trinity Hall, Onehouse**, at 10am on the 13th August. Following on from the course we will be holding a benefice quiet day on Saturday, 5th September. The day will be led by Revd Canon Mark Haworth, Cathedral Chaplain, on the theme of pilgrimage. The venue is Stowupland Church Hall starting at 10am for coffee, please bring a packed lunch with you and we anticipate the day finishing by around 3pm. There is no cost involved but donations would be welcomed. Places are limited so please email revdsarahjenkins@gmail.com to book a place.

Forthcoming Events



- 10th August** – Rural Coffee Caravan, 10am to 12pm, Trinity Hall, Onehouse
- 10th August** – Rural Coffee Caravan, 2pm to 4pm, Harleston Green, Harleston
- 11th August** – Onehouse PCC meeting, 7.30pm at Trinity Hall, Onehouse
- 13th August** – Pilgrimage Course, 10am, at Trinity Hall, Onehouse
- 19th August** – Rural Coffee Caravan, 2pm to 4pm, St Andrew's, Great Finborough
- 22nd August** – Stroll & Salad at Shelland, see poster above for details
- 23rd August** – Pet Service, 3pm, Harleston Green, Harleston (please bring a chair)
- 24th August** – Buxhall PCC meeting, 7.30pm at St Mary's, Buxhall
- 26th August** – Ministry Team meeting, 2pm at Combs Rectory

Meet Up Mondays in Church Hall, Combs

Our next meeting will take place on **10th August 2026** from 10.30am to 12.30pm, for further details please contact Revd Alison on 01449 541794. All most welcome.

Wednesday Mornings in Trinity Hall, Onehouse

9.30am Wednesdays Said Holy Communion followed at 10.30am by coffee and cake. All welcome.

Saturday Morning Prayer on Zoom at 10am

Join us for a short service of Morning Prayer on Zoom, the link to join this service can be found on the back page of this Pew Sheet.

Prayer Group

We have a group of people from across the Benefice who pray individually and privately for anyone who asks for prayerful support, whatever the situation may be. All information given is kept totally confidential. Our only request is that the person receiving prayer gives their consent. If you or someone you know would welcome prayer, please contact Elizabeth Mooney at emooney6@sky.com.

Collect for the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord

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.

Readings

The New Testament Reading is taken from 2 Peter 1.16-19

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel is taken from Luke 9.28-36: Glory to you O Lord

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since

they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah' — not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

Intercessions

Everlasting God, we join together in praying to you for the needs of the church, the world, our communities and ourselves, trusting in your love which reaches out from before the foundation of the world.

Today we pray that we would be transfigured to be your presence in the world. Help us to live in ways which show by our deeds the words of Jesus, who was friend of the outcast and the poor. May we be moved to think of ways of helping the vulnerable, to bring the compassion of Jesus to those who suffer, to bind up the lonely and the brokenhearted. In these ways may we experience your presence with us in the common tasks of life.

Lord hear us. **Lord graciously hear us.**

Creator God, in this uncertain time as we experience war, poverty, drought and wild fires, drive away despair from our politics, revive our dreams of justice and truth, restore our passion for what is good and right and give to our leaders wisdom and sensitivity to work for unity and the common good so that our children and grandchildren might enjoy peace in the world and a safe climate.

Lord hear us. **Lord graciously hear us.**

Loving God, we pray that all those who seek healing of body, mind or spirit will be touched by the loving hand of God and know his peace and his presence alongside them each and every step of their journey.

Lord hear us. **Lord graciously hear us.**

Gracious God, and Lord of Life, look in mercy on the departed that they may see your salvation and find their peace and final rest in you.

Lord hear us. **Lord graciously hear us.**

God, and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, hear these prayers we offer you in his name. By the power of your Holy Spirit work within us and among us to bring your kingdom values into this world. Let your will be done so that all people may live only for your praise and glory.

Merciful Father: **Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Services for 16th August : The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Harleston
11.00 am	Family Communion	Combs
6.00 pm	Evensong	Little Finborough
6.00 pm	Compline	Zoom Meeting

Please remember the families and loved ones of those who have recently died. May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

As a Group of Churches we are committed to promoting a 'Safer Church' for all. Information relating to Safeguarding is available in all our churches and from our Diocesan Website <https://www.cofesuffolk.org/promoting-a-safer-church>

Please use this link for all services held on Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4703781299?pwd=doep7y6JYxvOIIxsROxnbezlda9ME.1>

Meeting ID: 470 378 1299 – Password: Benefice

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