

LOOKING FORWARD

Newsletter for The King's Ridge Parishes

Many Voices, One Mission

Langham with Boxted, West Bergholt and Great Horkesley, Wormingford and Mount Bures with Little Horkesley

23rd and 30th August 2026

Welcome, it's good to have you with us!

We hope you enjoy the service and will know God's blessing. If you are a visitor and would like any information, or someone to visit you, please have a word with one of the sides people, a churchwarden or one of the ministers.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 23RD AUGUST 2026

Isaiah 51:1-6

Romans 12:1-8

Matthew 16:13-20

COLLECT FOR THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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. **Amen**

SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST

TRINITY 13

10.30am

United Celebration

St. Peter's

Boxted

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST 2026

Jeremiah 15:15-21

Romans 12:9-end

Matt 16:21-end

COLLECT FOR THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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.

Amen

SUNDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER

TRINITY 14

9.15am

Harvest Praise

St. John the Baptist

Mount Bures

9.30am

Morning Worship

St. Peter's

Boxted

9.30am

Holy Communion

St. Mary's

West Bergholt

11.00am

Holy Communion

St. John's

Great Horkesley

11.00am

Matins with Baptism

St. Peter and St. Paul

Little Horkesley

5.00pm

Taize Worship

St. Mary's

West Bergholt

Readings:

Ezekiel 33:7-11; Romans 13:8-end; Matt 18:15-20

REGULAR PRAYER MEETINGS: Everyone is welcome

1st Saturday monthly: 8am - West Bergholt Church

REGULAR COFFEE MORNINGS, MID-WEEK FELLOWSHIP GROUPS & CAFÉS:

Thurs (Term)	10 - 11.30am	Coffee & Cake	WB Church Hall
Thursdays	10 - 11.30am	St. John's Community Café	St John's, GH
Thursdays	10 – 12.00pm	Connections	MB Village Hall
Thursdays	2.00 – 3.30pm	5T's	WB Church hall

REGULAR BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings - 7.45pm - West Bergholt - *Ian Hilton*

Wednesday evenings (following Tuesday evenings) – 7.45pm – West Bergholt

1st and 3rd Wednesdays @ 10.30am – Gt Horkesley – *Anne Mason*

Alternate Thursday afternoons - 2.00pm - West Bergholt – *Richard Chadborn*

For more information please contact the leaders or the Parish office.

PRAYER POINTERS

- Pray for all who are bereaved at this time, remembering in particular the family and friends of Gael Hewitt
- Give thanks for the all the families who have attended FiSH and the Fun Morning over the summer months in our churches. Pray that through these acts of service and love we might have shared with others a glimpse of God's immeasurable love for us all.
- As the summer holidays draw to a close and families begin to prepare for the beginning of a new school year, pray for our schools, that they may be places, not just of learning, but of real community and care for one another. Pray for those who might be anxious about starting this new school year or who find school difficult.
- Pray for those who have been stretched over recent weeks, dealing with wildfires, both in this country and across Europe. Pray that we might all know what we can do to protect the wonder of God's beautiful creation.
- Pray for the 'People's emergency briefing' event taking place in St. Mary's Church in September, pray that it will be well attended and enlightening to all.
- Pray for the leaders of the world, that they may govern with wisdom and compassion, in the multiple issues they face day to day. Pray for peace in our troubled world.

END OF SUMMER BBQ @ THE RECTORY –

SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST, 5.00 – 7.30PM – Everyone

is very welcome to come along. ALL FREE – but please bring your own drinks. (If anyone is happy to make a pudding please speak to Heather)



FORTHCOMING DIARY DATES:

Mon 24 th Aug	11.30 – 12noon	FiSH (Food in School Holidays)	St. Mary's, WB
Thurs 27 th Aug	7.00pm	King's Ridge Choir practice	St. Peter's, Boxted
Sun 30 th Aug	10.30am	United Service	St. Peter's, Boxted
	5.00 – 7.30pm	End of Summer BBQ	The Rectory
Tues 1 st Sept	12.00noon	Funeral Service	St. Andrew's
	2.00pm	The King's Ridge Mothers Union	WB Church Hall
Wed 2 nd Sept	7.30pm	Langham with Boxted PCC	The Hurlock Room
Sat 5 th Sept	10am – 12noon	The Café @ St. Mary's	WB Church Hall
	2.30pm	Wedding in Langham Church	Langham
Sun 6 th Sept	3.00pm	BMSB Outdoor Band Concert	Boxted Village Hall
Mon 7 th Sept	3.15 – 4.30pm	Tea & Toast	St. Mary's, WB
Tues 8 th Sept	9.30 – 11am	Toddler Play and Praise	St. Peter's, Boxted
Thurs 10 th Sept	7.00pm	People's Emergency briefing	St. Mary's, WB
Sat 12 th Sept	All Day	ECT Ride and Stride	
Sun 13 th Sept	2.00pm	Ordination Service	Cathedral
Mon 14 th Sept	3.15 – 4.30pm	Tea & Toast	St. Mary's, WB
Wed 16 th Sept	7.30pm	WB PCC meeting	The Rectory
Fri 18 th Sept	11.30am	Wedding in Langham Church	Langham
Sat 19 th Sept	1.00pm	Wedding in All Saints Church	Great Horkesley
Sun 20 th Sept	10.30am	United Celebration Service	St. Mary's, WB
	4.00pm	Messy Church	St. John's, GH
	5.30pm	Youth Alpha	St. Mary's, WB
Mon 21 st Sept	10am – 3pm	Day Retreat	Boxted House
	3.15 – 4.30pm	Tea & Toast	St. Mary's, WB
	6.00pm	Wormingford PCC meeting	St. Andrew's
Tues 22 nd Sept	All Day	Prayer Spaces	Bishop William Ward
Wed 23 rd Sept	All Day	Prayer Spaces	Bishop William Ward

THE CAFÉ @ ST. MARY'S – Saturday 5th September, 10am – 12noon. Come along for delicious Bacon Butties, tea, coffee and cake, and enjoy plenty of chat or just sit and read the papers in the company of others. All are welcome

BOXTED METHODIST SILVER BAND OUTDOOR BAND CONCERT – SUNDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER, 3PM – Boxted Village Hall. Come and enjoy a selection of music with popular hymns to sing outside (bring a chair or rug to sit on) or inside if wet.

PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY BRIEFING – Join us in St. Mary's Church, **THURSDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, AT 7.00PM**, as we watch the People's Emergency Briefing video, presenting expert evidence on the climate and nature crisis to policymakers and the public, highlighting urgent risks and solutions. All are welcome

ESSEX CHURCHES TRUST ANNUAL RIDE AND STRIDE – Saturday 12th September.

Why not take part, sponsorship forms available in church or speak to the Parish office. Raise money for our local churches and for the Essex Churches trust, who raise money to help support church building projects.

ORDINATION SERVICE AT CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL – Dominic will be ordained deacon on **13th September @ 2pm in Chelmsford Cathedral**, it will also be possible to access the service online. There will be a united service on the **20th September, 10.30am, in St. Mary's Church, West Bergholt**, to welcome Dominic into the parishes following his ordination. All are very welcome, the service will be followed by lunch.

THE KING'S RIDGE PARISHES YOUTH ALPHA – join us for these fun & relaxed sessions, as we share a meal together and learn more about what Christians believe, through videos and lively discussions. Suitable for young people from Year 6 upwards.

If you would like to help on the team, or would be able to prepare a meal for one of the sessions, please speak to Heather.

Begins – 20th September, 5.30pm in St. Mary's Church, West Bergholt

Meets weekly (avoiding half term) for 9 sessions – for full list of dates see the church near you pages.

DAY RETREAT – MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 10AM – 3PM. You are invited to a day of study, quiet contemplation and fellowship, led by Julie Bull, we will be learning about a character from the bible who through faith, hope, courage and humility found freedom from fear. Our faith is in that same God and that freedom is for us too. For quiet reflection we will be using Boxted House and gardens and St. Peter's church. A simple lunch will be provided. £15 per person. To book please contact the parish office.

THE KING'S RIDGE PARISHES MINISTRY TEAM DETAILS

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