

Weekly update for Sunday 30th August 2026

The Benefice of
Hopton, Corton & Gunton

10:30 Holy Communion St Benedict's, Gunton

Followed by refreshments

THIS WEEK

Monday 31st August

There is no **DROP IN at St Margaret's, Hopton** this week because of the Bank Holiday.

Wednesday 2nd September
14:00 – 16:00

FRIENDSHIP CLUB at St Peter's, Gunton annex. A group to get together to enjoy friendship, games, and activities. All are welcome.

OTHER NOTICES

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- **Lilly Mckirdy**, who is being baptised on Sunday 30th August at St Peter's, Gunton.
- **Amelia Rose**, who is being baptised on Sunday 6th September at St Benedict's, Gunton.

SUNDAY 6th SEPTEMBER

09:30 Morning Prayer St Benedict's, Gunton
 with Baptism

11:00 Holy Communion St Margaret's, Hopton

Followed by a Lite Bite lunch from 12:15; all are welcome

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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.

JEREMIAH 15:15-21

¹⁵ LORD, you understand;
remember me and care for me.
Avenge me on my persecutors.
You are long-suffering – do not take
me away;
think of how I suffer reproach for
your sake.
¹⁶ When your words came, I ate
them;
they were my joy and my heart's
delight,
for I bear your name,
LORD God Almighty.
¹⁷ I never sat in the company of
revellers,
never made merry with them;
I sat alone because your hand was on
me
and you had filled me with
indignation.
¹⁸ Why is my pain unending
and my wound grievous and
incurable?
You are to me like a deceptive
brook,
like a spring that fails.
¹⁹ Therefore this is what
the LORD says:
'If you repent, I will restore you
that you may serve me;
if you utter worthy, not worthless,
words,
you will be my spokesman.

Let this people turn to you,
but you must not turn to them.
²⁰ I will make you a wall to this
people,
a fortified wall of bronze;
they will fight against you
but will not overcome you,
for I am with you
to rescue and save you,'
declares the LORD.
²¹ 'I will save you from the hands of
the wicked
and deliver you from the grasp of
the cruel.'

ROMANS 12:9-21

⁹ Love must be sincere. Hate what is
evil; cling to what is good. ¹⁰ Be
devoted to one another in love.
Honour one another above
yourselves. ¹¹ Never be lacking in zeal,
but keep your spiritual fervour,
serving the Lord. ¹² Be joyful in hope,
patient in affliction, faithful in
prayer. ¹³ Share with the Lord's
people who are in need. Practise
hospitality.
¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you;
bless and do not curse. ¹⁵ Rejoice with
those who rejoice; mourn with those
who mourn. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with
one another. Do not be proud, but be
willing to associate with people of low
position. Do not be conceited.
¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil.
Be careful to do what is right in the
eyes of everyone. ¹⁸ If it is possible, as
far as it depends on you, live at peace
with everyone. ¹⁹ Do not take
revenge, my dear friends, but leave
room for God's wrath, for it is
written: 'It is mine to avenge; I will
repay,' says the Lord. ²⁰ On the
contrary:
'If your enemy is hungry, feed him;
if he is thirsty, give him something
to drink.
In doing this, you will heap burning
coals on his head.'

²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but
overcome evil with good.

MATTHEW 16:21-28

²¹ From that time on Jesus began to
explain to his disciples that he must go
to Jerusalem and suffer many things at
the hands of the elders, the chief
priests and the teachers of the law,
and that he must be killed and on the
third day be raised to life.

²² Peter took him aside and began to
rebuke him. 'Never, Lord!' he said.
'This shall never happen to you!'

²³ Jesus turned and said to Peter, 'Get
behind me, Satan! You are a
stumbling-block to me; you do not
have in mind the concerns of God, but
merely human concerns.'

²⁴ Then Jesus said to his
disciples, 'Whoever wants to be my
disciple must deny themselves and
take up their cross and follow
me. ²⁵ For whoever wants to save
their life will lose it, but whoever
loses their life for me will find
it. ²⁶ What good will it be for
someone to gain the whole world, yet
forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone
give in exchange for their soul? ²⁷ For
the Son of Man is going to come in his
Father's glory with his angels, and
then he will reward each person
according to what they have done.

²⁸ 'Truly I tell you, some who are
standing here will not taste death
before they see the Son of Man
coming in his kingdom.'