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The Weekly Pewslip

Sunday 23rd August 2026

PROPER 16/TRINITY 12/GREEN

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Services THIS Sunday 23rd August

09.30 Communion, Dickleburgh

09.30 All Age Worship, Pulham Market

11.00 Communion, Pulham St Mary

11.00 Morning Prayer, Starston

11.00 Morning Prayer, Thelveton

Service NEXT Sunday 30th August

10.00 Benefice Communion, Thelveton

Midweek Communion

Every Wednesday

10.00am

Pulham St Mary Church

Saturday Prayers

Saturday mornings

Dickleburgh Church

9.30am

Benefice Prayer List

We pray for those sick, ill, or who need our prayers:

Herbert Websdell, Myra Payne, Paula Brewster, Kathy Leeder, Ruth Cawcutt, Tessa Dunbar, Kathleen Andrew Those battling cancer.

For all carers, particularly those caring for loved ones at home.

Today we pray for: those in danger and those effected from wild fires, the firefighters, and those who have lost their loved ones and possessions to the flames

We pray for: Ukraine, Russia, Palestine, Israel, Iran, US.

For the repose of the souls of those recently departed:

For those whose anniversary of death falls at this month:

John Hubbard, John McLauchlan, Frances Matthews

From our Benefice Cycle of Prayer

We pray for the Benefice now in Vacancy. For the Benefice Council who will make important decisions over the coming months as we seek a new Rector.

For our Cathedral Dean, Andrew; for the life of the Cathedral as a beacon of love and hope in this county. For our Rural Dean, Chris Hutton.

For our Churchwardens and PCCs.

For our Schools – For the Head Teachers. Harriett Beckett (PM) and (Dickleburgh), and for all who assist them. (PM – for our brothers and sisters at the Methodist Church).

For those living in our parish.

Dates for your Diary

26th Benefice Office closed

26th Morning Prayer, Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am

27th Benefice Office closed

30th Benefice Communion, Thelveton Church, 10.00am

September

2nd Communion, Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am

6th Sunday Funday, Pulham Market, noon-4.00pm

9th Communion, Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am

16th Communion, Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am

23rd Communion, Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am

30th Morning Prayer, Pulham St Mary Church, 10.00am

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PROPER 16/TRINITY 12

FIRST READING

Isaiah 51.1-6

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

"Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the Lord: look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, that I might bless him and multiply him. For the Lord comforts Zion; he comforts all her waste places and makes her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be for ever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed."

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 138

+ **Great is the glory of the Lord.**

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord,
with my whole heart;
before the gods will I sing praise to you.
I will bow down towards your holy temple
and praise your name,
because of your love and faithfulness;
for you have glorified your name
and your word above all things.
In the day that I called to you, you answered me;
you put new strength in my soul. +
- 2 All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, for
they have heard the words of your mouth.
They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
that great is the glory of the Lord.
Though the Lord be high, he watches over the lowly;
as for the proud, he regards them from afar. +
- 3 Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you will preserve me;
you will stretch forth your hand
against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand will save me.
The Lord shall make good his purpose for me;
your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever;
forsake not the work of your hands. +

SECOND READING

Romans 12.1-8

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Romans.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and

acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to every one among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Matthew 16.13-20

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

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. **Amen**

Post Communion

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen