

**Administration of Holy Communion** we have discussed arrangements at PCC for a return to the common chalice at 11.15am – where everyone receives the wafer and then drinks from the chalice at Holy Communion, but there will be an additional chalice at the altar rail for anyone who prefers to have a wafer dipped by the priest. We'll try this on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October (Harvest) and would welcome feedback. We will also make arrangements at other services.

**Norfolk Churches Trust Walk and Cycle Ride** Thank you so much for all your support. Rev Paul and Molly together raised £915. Thank you!

**Shoebboxes** – the leaflets have arrived! Shoebox Sunday will be 1<sup>st</sup> November.

**Harvest** on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October. We will be supporting the Norwich Foodbank. Donations towards flowers to decorate the church would be gratefully received by Margaret Miller. Thank you.

**Special Harvest Lunch** We would like as many people as possible to come along from St Ed's and St Peter's, and further afield. We will have jacket potatoes and fillings, and fruit pies or crumbles,. If anyone would like to make a pie or crumble, or some custard, please tell Sue B, or Sue E

**If you are new....** It is great to see you today. If you are able to, please speak to a member of the ministry team. We look forward to getting to know you!

### **Safeguarding**

If you have any safeguarding concerns or queries please contact our Parish Safeguarding Officer Deidre Porter 07438316909  
[safeguardstedsstpeters@gmail.com](mailto:safeguardstedsstpeters@gmail.com)  
or visit the Diocesan web pages:  
[www.dioceseofnorwich.org/training/safeguarding](http://www.dioceseofnorwich.org/training/safeguarding) for further information.

### **Financial giving to our life and ministry**

St Edmund's Bank details are:

**Name of account: Taverham Parochial Church Council** (Please note there is a space between each of these words)  
**Sort Code: 20 – 62 – 68 : Barclays**  
**Account number: 80881600**

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# Welcome to St Edmund's Church Taverham and St Peter's Ringland

27<sup>th</sup> September 2026



Jesus entered the temple courts, and, while he was teaching, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him. "By what authority are you doing these things?" they asked. "And who gave you this authority?"

Matthew 21 : 23

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[www.achurchnearyou.com/taverham](http://www.achurchnearyou.com/taverham)

### **Prayer for this week**

Almighty God,  
you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless till they find  
their rest in you:  
pour your love into our hearts  
and draw us to yourself,  
and so bring us at last  
to your heavenly city  
where we shall see you face to face;  
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. Amen

Gracious God,  
you call us to fullness of life:  
deliver us from unbelief  
and banish our anxieties  
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our  
Lord. Amen

### **Readings this week**

Ezekiel 18 : 1 – 4, 25 - end  
Philippians 2 : 1 - 13  
Matthew 21 : 23 - 32

### **We give thanks for.....**

Those who visit our churches during the  
day to pray

All the Lord provides for us as individuals,  
for our families and as churches

The life and witness of Christians around  
the world

### **Thought for this week**

We are all good at reluctance from time  
to time. At excuses, or finding something  
more interesting when tasks need to be  
done or we cannot summon the energy  
or enthusiasm to go somewhere or do  
something. I hear myself saying  
sometimes, even to myself, "You'll enjoy  
it once you get there".

Jesus knows this in us. How we feel  
sometimes. Our hearts might be saying  
no, even though our minds say yes. In  
our Gospel reading Jesus has been  
talking to the Pharisees. People set in  
their ways, who cannot see the grace  
and freedom of the Lord in their midst.  
Yet for all of us, we cannot see the good  
things sometimes, even though they are  
on our doorstep or standing before us!

Jesus has come into our lives to offer us  
freedom, forgiveness and eternal life. He  
is the Good News, who has brought the  
best news we can ever hear or know,  
who is Himself.

Yet how reluctant we are sometimes to  
receive from Him. To surrender  
everything to Him. To discover more of  
His love. To grow in His grace and  
freedom. What do we need to receive  
from Jesus today? What holds us back?  
What areas of reluctance do we need  
to lay aside?

**Paul**

### **What's on : St Ed's**

Sunday 8.00am Holy Communion  
9.30am Mustard Tree Church  
11.15am Livestream service  
Monday 5.00pm Prayers  
Tuesday 10.00am Tuesdays at St Ed's  
6.00pm Rspace  
Wednesday 10.30pm Holy Communion  
Thursday 9.00am Caretaking team  
12.15pm Prayer Spaces  
at the Junior School  
7.00pm Compline  
Friday 6.00pm Wedding rehearsal  
Saturday 2.00pm Wedding  
Sunday 9.30am Mustard Tree Holy  
Communion  
11.15am Holy Communion

**Our Livestreams** continue as follows :  
Sundays :

11.15am Livestream team on 2<sup>nd</sup> (in  
church) and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays each month

### **St Peter's Ringland**

27<sup>th</sup> September The Gathering 3.00pm

11<sup>th</sup> October 10.30am Holy Communion  
for Safeguarding Sunday

25<sup>th</sup> October The Gathering 3.00pm

8<sup>th</sup> November 10.30am Remembrance