

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

6th and 13th September 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 6th SEPTEMBER 2026

Ezekiel 33:7-11

Romans 13:8-end

Matthew 18:15-20

COLLECT FOR THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence; give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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**

SUNDAY 13th SEPTEMBER

8.00am Holy Communion*
9.30am Holy Communion
9.30am Messy Church
11.00am Morning Praise
11.00am Holy Communion
6.30pm Evening Prayer*

All Saints'
St. Mary's
St. Mary's
All Saints'
St. Andrew's
St. Peter and St. Paul

TRINITY 15

Great Horkesley
Langham
West Bergholt
Great Horkesley
Wormingford
Little Horkesley

READINGS FOR SUNDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 2026

Genesis 50:15-21

Romans 14:1-22

Matt 18:21-35

COLLECT FOR THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

God who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your church in the burning fire of your love: grant that you people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel, that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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**

SUNDAY 20th SEPTEMBER

10.30am United Celebration
4.00pm Messy Church

St. Mary's
St. John's

TRINITY 16

West Bergholt
Great Horkesley

Readings: Jonah 3:10 – end of 4; Philippians 1:21-end; Matthew 20:1-16

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 and Beryl Richards.
- As our schools start this new term, pray for the pupils, staff, parents and governors as they work together to provide the best opportunities for all our young people.
- Pray for the people of Nepal and Tibet affected by the recent landslide, for those who have lost loved ones, homes and livelihoods and for those working in rescue and recovery operations.
- As we begin this season of creation, this year focusing on 'Living water' pray that we may all know what small changes we can all make to help protect Gods creation for the wellbeing of future generations.

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.

TODDLER PLAY AND PRAISE – TUESDAY 8th SEPTEMBER, 9.30 – 11.00AM IN ST.

PETER'S CHURCH, BOXTED. Come along for crafts, toys, refreshments and a short act of worship with a simple bible story and toddler friendly songs.

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.

FORTHCOMING DIARY DATES:

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
	7.00pm	King's Ridge Choir Practice	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
	2 – 3.30pm	Bereavement Café	WB Church Hall
Wed 23 rd Sept	All Day	Prayer Spaces	Bishop William Ward
	11.30am	Funeral Service	Boxted Church
Thurs 24 th Sept	10 – 11.30am	Macmillan Coffee Morning	St. John's, GH
Sun 27 th Sept	5.30pm	Youth Alpha	St. Mary's, WB
Mon 28 th Sept	1 – 3pm	Heathlands Harvest Service	St. Mary's, WB
	3.15pm	Tea & Toast	St. Mary's, WB
	7.30pm	Churchwardens meeting	The Rectory

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.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER, 10 – 11.30AM, ST. JOHNS CHURCH, GREAT HORKESLEY. It's time for a Macmillan coffee morning and you're invited, come along for delicious homemade cakes to eat on the day or take away, along with plenty of tea and coffee and chat.

HARVEST SERVICES in the KING'S RIDGE PARISHES

Sunday 27th September

9.30am	Harvest Praise	St. Mary's, West Bergholt
11.00am	Harvest Praise	All Saint's, Great Horkesley
11.00am	Harvest & Pet Blessing	St. Andrew's, Wormingford

Sunday 4th October

9.30am	Harvest Praise	St. Peter's, Boxted
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Sunday 11th October

6.30pm	Harvest Evensong	St. Peter and St. Paul, Little Horkesley
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OCTAVIA CONCERT – SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER, 3.30PM – FREE CONCERT IN ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, GREAT HORKESLEY. Come and listen to the acclaimed Octavia choir who sing in close harmony 'A Capella'. The King's Ridge choir will sing a couple of selected pieces from their repertoire in the interval. Refreshments will be available and donations welcomed to the All Saints' building project.

IT'S QUIZZING SEASON 😊 – time to start getting teams ready for a couple of quizzes, **Saturday 17th October @ 7pm in Boxted Village Hall, raising money for Operation Christmas child (£5 per person) & Saturday 24th October @ 7pm in Great Horkesley Village Hall, raising money for outreach work in the local community (£6 per person)** More details to follow in the coming weeks.

THE KING'S RIDGE PARISHES MINISTRY TEAM DETAILS

Priest in Charge:	Revd. Heather Wilcox	01206 240906
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LLM:	Liz Dixon	
LLMs with PtO	Denise Hobday	Richard Chadborn
	Sandra Baker	
Evangelist:	Ronnie Seymour	
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