

Constable Country Benefice



St Mary's, East Bergholt



St Michael's, Brantham



St Mary's, Bentley



St Mary's, Tattingstone

Four Parishes - One Benefice – Stronger in Unity

**This Sunday
6th September**

East Bergholt

8am BCP service (Rev Chris)

Tattingstone

10.30am Connect Service - a service for all ages. The best of traditional and new, and to being all together *(with a group for younger children during the service)*
(Rev Chris)

Trinity 14

Isaiah 55.12–end
Psalm 96
Colossians 1.15–20
John 1.1–14 or Matthew 8.23–27

COLLECT

O God and Father of all that was,
is and ever shall be,
help us to be thankful for all that is made
at the hands of your Son
and through the wisdom of your Spirit,
that we may care in heart and in deed
for the life of our world,
to the praise and glory of your holy name
Amen

**Next Sunday
13th September**

Bentley

10am Morning Worship with Communion
(Rev Liz and Rev Peter - from Felixstowe)

Brantham

10.30am Morning Worship with
Communion (Rev Peter)

East Bergholt

10am Morning Worship with communion
(Rev Roy)
4pm family@church (led by Fiona)
6.30pm The Gathering (Rev Chris)

Trinity 15

Exodus 14.19–end
Psalm 114 or Canticle: Exodus 15.1b–11, 20–21
Romans 14.1–12
Matthew 18.21–35

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God our Creator,
by your gift the tree of life
was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:
may we who have been nourished
at your table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen

*THEREFORE, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you and surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age*

Matthew 28:19-20

This Week	
Monday 7 th September	7.30pm PCC Meeting at East Bergholt 2.50pm Assembly at East Bergholt Primary School (Rev Chris) Daily Reading: 1 Kings 1.5–31 Acts 13.13–43
Tuesday 8 th September	Daily Reading: 1 Kings 1.32—2.4; 2.10–12 Acts 13.44—14.7
Wednesday 9 th September	Daily Reading: 1 Kings 3 Acts 14.8–end
Thursday 10 th September	9am Morning Prayer at the Rectory 1.30pm–3.30pm MU making Christmas cards at East Bergholt 7.30pm MU “Prayer, Pamper and Profiteroles” at Tattingstone 7pm Connect Youth at the Rectory Daily Reading: 1 Kings 4.29—5.12 Acts 15.1–21
Friday 11 th September	9.30am - 11.30am Toddlers and Carers at East Bergholt 11.30am Wardens Meeting at the Rectory 6pm Choir Practice at East Bergholt Daily Reading: 1 Kings 6.1, 11–28 Acts 15.22–35
Saturday 12 th September <i>Rev Chris rest day</i>	Ride and Stride Daily Reading: 1 Kings 8.1–30 Acts 15.36—16.5

- ❖ **Family Friendly Services** are held at 4pm on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Bring the family to one of our all-age family friendly services with stories, songs, activities and cake, lasting 40-45 minutes. Our next family services are 13th September at East Bergholt (4pm) and 27th September at Brantham (10.30am for September only).
- ❖ **The Gathering:** A contemporary service with worship, word and prayer. With tea, coffee and cake! Held at St. Mary's, East Bergholt. Every 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month starting at 6.30pm.
- ❖ **East Bergholt Children's Society Boxes:** If you are attending a service on 13th September, please leave your collection box at East Bergholt. Otherwise, the co-ordinator, Karen, will contact you to arrange collection.



Looking further ahead.....

Monday 14th September

2pm Parish Magazine meeting at East Bergholt
2.50pm Assembly at East Bergholt Primary School (Ruth)
7.30pm PCC meeting at Brantham

Tuesday 15th

Wednesday 16th

2pm Burial of Ashes of Jill Head at East Bergholt (Rev Chris)

Thursday 17th

9am Morning Prayer at the Rectory
7pm Connect Youth at the Rectory

Friday 18th

9.30am - 11.30am Toddlers and Carers at East Bergholt

Saturday 19th

Sunday 20th

8am BCP Communion Service at East Bergholt (Rev Roy)
9.30am Morning Worship with Communion at Tattingstone (Rev Chris)
10am Morning Worship with communion at EB
10am Morning Worship at Bentley (lay led)
11am Morning Worship with Communion and Baptism of Luca at Brantham (Rev Chris)

Pray for the church family:

Monday: Linda Daynes; Jeanette; Steve Newman; Sandra Jermyn; Marian Scott; Ted and Carole Wheatley; Christopher Lewis; Rev Chris Chapman

Tuesday: Hilary Taylor; Helen Wheatley; Christine Page; Daphne Glen; Carol Whitby; Marion Noble; Frances Grimwood

Wednesday: Jonathan Fermor; Jo and William Marston; Mandy Churchill; Wendie Felgate; Adi Lavender

Thursday: Peter Green; Margaret BurrIDGE; Barry Blomfield and the Youth Group

Friday: Mary West; Annie Winckler; Valerie Ayton; Lynn and the Toddler Group

Pray for those who have recently lost a loved one

The families and friends of the Margaret Wheatley; Crawford family; David Hunter and all who grieve at this time of their sad loss.

Keeping connected....

- ❖ **Getting to services** - do you need a lift to our services (or can provide lifts for others) please contact Michelle - michelle@constablebenefice.org / 07955 329341.
- ❖ **Weekly emails/blog** - if you would like to receive the weekly email, please message Michelle to add your name to our distribution list.
- ❖ **Alpha** - each year we run a least one Alpha course exploring life and the Christian faith. Contact Rev Chris revchris@constablebenefice.org / 07566 871270 for more information.
- ❖ **Discussion groups** - a few discussion groups are held throughout the year, if you would like to join contact Rev Roy - rseden@gmail.com / 07806 940407
- ❖ **Connect Youth Group** – A weekly group aimed at teenagers with fun faith and friends... contact Rev Chris or Issy Smith - 07941 096809
- ❖ **Open the Book** -taking bible stories into school with drama. If interested contact Ruth Bull ruthbull@btinternet.com / 01206 298733
- ❖ **Moving Up Club** – For the “younger” youth - for those in school years 6, 7 and 8. Held at St Michael’s Brantham. Speak to Len or Issy Smith or Rev. Chris for more details or email: youth@constablebenefice.org

Rector: Rev Chris Willis, The Rectory, Rectory Lane, Brantham CO11 1PZ
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Facebook: stmaryseastbergholt and St Michael's Church, Brantham

Parish Safeguarding Officers

East Bergholt	Howard Holdsworth	07970 416249	Brantham	Issy Smith	07941 096809
Bentley	Tom Hill	01473 311119	Tattingstone	Role to be filled – in the meantime, please contact any other safeguarding officer.	

Retired Priests (Permission to Officiate granted by the Bishop)

Revd Peter Ball 01206 393316 | Revd Roy Seden 07806 940407 | Revd Don Mehen 01473 310383

Readers

Nick Pavitt 01473 328512 | Ruth Bull 01206 298733 | Sandra Mehen 01473 310383

Churchwardens

East Bergholt	Fiona Trott	01206 298205	Brantham	Jane Pavitt	01473 328512
	Jackie Reeves	01206 299973		Len Smith	07986 767123
Bentley	Tom Hill	01473 311119	Tattingstone	Linda Smalley	07803 589862
	Jane Day	01473 310518		Lyn Tomlinson	01473 328251

Elders

East Bergholt	Fiona Trott	01206 298205	Brantham	Sarah McCraw	07977 808994
				Len Smith	07986 767123
				Issy Smith	07941 096809
Bentley	Jane Day	01473 310518	Tattingstone	Simon Harley	01473 327531
	Carolyn Evans	01473 311090		Suena Harley	01473 327531
	Doreen Savage	01473 311122		Linda Smalley	07803 589862

Choir Leader: Julian Merson

Orgnists: **Brantham** - David McLachlan **Tattingstone** - Jane Gould **Bentlev** - Wilf Newport-Herring