

Pew Sheet

30 August 2026

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

**A warm welcome to all visitors to church on this day and to
Rev Liz Paxton
who is presiding and preaching this morning**

Today's Services

10am Sung Eucharist St Mary's Little Wrattling

4pm Songs of Praise and afternoon tea at All Saints Barnardiston

Services this week:

NO Evening Prayer Bank Holiday Monday St Peter and St Paul's Kedington

Said Eucharist Wednesday 10am St Peter and St Paul's Kedington

Services next Sunday

10am Sung Eucharist St Peter and St Paul's Kedington

Ministry Team:

Fr Chris Giles	on sabbatical
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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 forever. **Amen**

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First reading	Exodus 3 v 1 - 15
Second reading	Romans 12 v 9 - 21
Gospel reading	Matthew 16 v 21 - 28

Hear The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

All Glory to you O Lord

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you O Christ

Post Communion prayer: God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Home Communions - Pastoral Care:

The Blessed Sacrament is perpetually reserved for the Communion of the housebound, the sick and dying. Please inform a member of the ministry team, of parishioners who are sick or in hospital, and of those who are in need of pastoral care. **The Sacrament of Reconciliation** by arrangement.

Prayer List

Our prayers are asked particularly for:

Terry Chittock – Jacob and his family – Leo and Val Farthing – Paul Allard
Steve Watts – Stephen Giles – Tom Ogden – Owen Farmiloe – Jacquie Joyce
King Charles

We also pray for others. Those who have asked to be remembered in our prayers in church and at home.

We pray for those that have recently died and whose loss we mourn:

Kieran McManus

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord

All And let light perpetual shine upon them

May they rest in peace

All And rise in glory

An invitation: If you wish to receive communion, please come forward when guided by the stewards. Members of other churches who usually receive communion are welcome to do so here. Those not wishing to receive communion are welcome to come for a blessing; it is helpful if you indicate this by bringing your service booklet with you. If you find it difficult to come to the altar rail, please tell this to the steward on duty, so communion may be brought to you in your seat.

Gluten free Communion wafers are available – please ask before the service begins.

Notices

Do you know someone who can play the piano or keyboard who might be interested in discovering more about the organs in the Benefice or even able to join the rota of regular organists? Please put them in touch with Paul or Jill Davis, 01440 713137

Forthcoming events: Please send details of events you wish to publicise by email or phone, and Jill will do her best to include it in the pew sheet (subject to space). Jill Davis 01440 713137 jill@gourmet-knights.co.uk

Church Coffee Morning “Dolce Gusto” 10am until 12 noon every Tuesday at St Peter and St Paul’s Church in Kedington.

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TODAY Songs of Praise and Afternoon Tea 4pm Sunday 30 August All Saints Barnardiston

Thurlow Fayre Sunday 6 September 10am until 4pm on Thurlow Recreation Ground.

Kedington Home-made and home-grown show Saturday 12 September. Schedule in the Benefice News or on this QR code. View the exhibits in the church from 2pm. Auction and prizegiving from 4pm



Kedington Church Fete Saturday 19 September from 2pm in the Meadow off Church Walk. Parking in the churchyard. Licensed bar, barbeque, teas and all the fun of a traditional country fete. Any donations of items for the hamper raffle to Mary Upton before the day. Donations of produce and cakes to sell and full bottles for the bottle stall gratefully received. Either leave them in the church or contact Lol (01440 704179) or Jill (01440 713137) for collection.

Great Bradley Harvest Lunch Sunday 27 September at Great Bradley Hall from 12 noon following 10.30am Harvest Festival. Casserole, jacket potato, dessert and drinks £15 for adults and £5 for children. To book tickets or for more information contact Sue at sue.m.ireland@gmail.com

Kedington Bingo Night Friday 9 October in the Kedington Royal British Legion Hall. Doors open 7pm. Eyes down 7.30pm. £10 per person for six games plus flyer. Book with Marion 07833 431184. Bring your own cold drinks and nibbles. Tea and coffee on sale.

Little Bradley Bingo Night Friday 16 October. In the Little Bradley Garden Barn. More information to follow.

The PCC of Great Wrating Church invite you to **Coffee and Cake** in aid of Great Wrating Church **Saturday 17 October** 10am until 12 noon at Little Eadron, The Street, Great Wrating CB9 7HQ

Safeguarding – Safeguarding is about caring for one another and our community. As Christians, this is something we all need to do. If you would like any training or have any questions; please contact one of the Benefice Safeguarding Officers: Naomi Shelmerdine or Ruth Hopper. Contact phone number 07902 859169

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