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 – All Saints Day 1st November

Bentley
5pm All Souls Service in churchyard

Brantham
3pm All Souls Service
6.30pm-8pm Moving Up Club

East Bergholt
8am BCP Service (Rev Chris)
10.30am Connect - a service for all ages. The best of traditional and new, and to being all together.

All Saints' Day

Revelation 7.9–end
Psalm 34.1–10
1 John 3.1–3
Matthew 5.1–12

Next Sunday 8th November

Bentley
10.50am Remembrance Service at the War Memorial (Rev Don)

Brantham
10.45am Remembrance Service
(led by Nick and Sarah)
6.30pm-8pm Moving Up Club

East Bergholt
10am Remembrance service (Ruth)
4pm family@church (led by Fiona)
6.30pm The Gathering (Rev Chris)

Tattingstone
10.30am Remembrance (Rev Chris)

3rd Sunday before Advent

Wisdom of Solomon 6.12–16
or Amos 5.18–24
Canticle: Wisdom of Solomon 6.17–20 or Psalm 70
1 Thessalonians 4.13–end
Matthew 25.1–13

COLLECT

God of holiness,
your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example
with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God, the source of all holiness
and giver of all good things:
may we who have shared at this table
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth
be welcomed with all your saints
to the heavenly feast
on the day of your kingdom;
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 2nd November	2.50pm Assembly at East Bergholt Primary School (Ruth with OtB) 6pm All Souls Service at Tattingstone **Daily Reading:** Daniel 1 Revelation 1
Tuesday 3rd November	2pm Benefice Discussion Group at East Bergholt **Daily Reading:** Daniel 2.1–24 Revelation 2.1–11
Wednesday 4th November	9.30am -11.30am St. Michael's Toddlers at Brantham 9.30am BCP Service at East Bergholt (Rev Peter) 10:00 Take a Break Coffee at East Bergholt 3pm Call to Prayer at St. Mary's, East Bergholt 7pm Call to Prayer at St. Mary's, East Bergholt **Daily Reading:** Daniel 2.25–end Revelation 2.12–end
Thursday 5th November	9am Morning Prayer at 22 Richardson Road, East Bergholt 7pm Connect Youth at the Rectory **Daily Reading:** Daniel 3.1–18 Revelation 3.1–13
Friday 6th November	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:** Daniel 3.19–end Revelation 3.14–end
Saturday 7th November *Rev Chris day off*	9am Men's Breakfast at East Bergholt **Daily Reading:** Daniel 4.1–18 Revelation 4

- **Family Friendly Services** are held at 4pm on the 2nd and 4th 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 next are at East Bergholt on 8th November and at Brantham on 22nd November

- **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.

- **The Benefice Discussion Group** We are discussing Jane William's book "The Art of Advent". It is based on 37 short reflections. Each consists of a short commentary, an image, one or more biblical references or passages, and two or more (usually) searching questions for us to consider. Do contact Rev Roy at rseden@gmail.com for further details.

Looking further ahead.....



Monday 9th November

2.50pm Assembly at EBPS (Rev Chris)
7.30pm PCC meeting at East Bergholt

Tuesday 10th

Wednesday 11th

9.30am -11.30am St. Michael's Toddlers at Brantham
10.50 Act of Remembrance at East Bergholt
7pm Preservation Society AGM at East Bergholt

Thursday 12th

9am Morning Prayer at the Rectory
2pm Mothers Union meeting at East Bergholt
7pm Connect Youth at the Rectory

Friday 13th

9.30am - 11.30am Toddlers and Carers at East Bergholt
6pm Choir Practice at East Bergholt

Saturday 14th

Sunday 15th

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 East Bergholt (Rev Roy)
10am Morning Worship at Bentley (lay led)
11am Morning Worship with Communion at Brantham (Rev Chris)
6pm Choral Evensong, sung by Jubilate Choir at East Bergholt
6.30pm-8pm Moving Up Club at Brantham

Pray for the church family:

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

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

Wednesday: Jonathan Fermor; Jo and William Marston; Mandy Churchill; Wendie Felgate; Adi Lavender and the Brantham Toddler Group

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

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

Pray for those who have recently lost a loved one

The families and friends of Barbara Hopkins; Noah Woods; Rodney Chadburn; Margaret Wheatley 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

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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	**Tattingstone**	Linda Smalley	07803 589862
Bentley	Jane Day	01473 310518	**Brantham**	Sarah McCraw	07977 808994
	Doreen Savage	01473 311122		Len Smith	07986 767123
				Issy Smith	07941 096809

Choir Leader: Julian Merson

Organists: Brantham - David McLachlan **Tattingstone** - Jane Gould **Bentley** - Wilf Newport-Herring