The Combs and Finborough News Sheet

Buxhall, Combs, Gt and Lt Finborough, Harleston, Onehouse and Shelland

WELCOME

As we keep in touch, pray and support each other

22nd November 2026 : Christ the King, Sunday Next Before Advent

9.30 am	Morning Worship	Shelland
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Buxhall
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Onehouse
11.00 am	Patronal Holy Communion	Great Finborough

Advent Course

We will be holding our Advent course over 4 weeks, starting on Thursday 26th November and on 3rd and 10th December at Trinity Hall, Onehouse and 17th December at Combs Rectory, with all sessions starting at 10am. Please let Revd Sarah know at revdsarahjenkins@gmail.com or on 01449 676065 if you will be attending as we will need to order booklets for you.



Forthcoming Events

25th November – Ministry Team meeting, 2pm at Combs Rectory, Combs Ford

28th November – Autumn Supper, Pettiward Hall, Great Finborough, 7.30pm, further details from Peter Turner email p.turner125@btinternet.com

29th November – Benefice Service with guest preacher, the Diocesan Agricultural Chaplain, 10am at Buxhall church

30th November – Buxhall PCC, 7.30pm at the Rectory, Combs Ford

9th December – Harleston PCC, 7pm at Trinity Hall, Onehouse

12th December – Messy Church for Christmas!, 10.30am to 12pm at Trinity Hall, Onehouse. Places must be booked by emailing revdsarahjenkins@gmail.com.

Meet Up Mondays in Church Hall, Combs

Our next meeting is our Christmas Special and will take place on 7th December from 11.30am to 1.30pm, please contact Revd Alison on 01449 541794 to book tickets or if you require further details. All most welcome.

Wednesday Mornings in Trinity Hall, Onehouse

9.30am Wednesdays Said Holy Communion followed at 10.30am by coffee and cake. All welcome.

Saturday Morning Prayer on Zoom at 10am
Join us for a short service of Morning Prayer on Zoom, the link to join this service can be found on the back page of this Pew Sheet.

Prayer Group
We have a group of people from across the Benefice who pray individually and privately for anyone who asks for prayerful support, whatever the situation may be. All information given is kept totally confidential. Our only request is that the person receiving prayer gives their consent. If you or someone you know would welcome prayer, please contact Elizabeth Mooney at emooney6@sky.com.

Collect for Christ the King, Sunday Next Before Advent
Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings
The New Testament reading is taken from Ephesians 1.15-end
I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.
This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel is taken from Matthew 25.31-end: Glory to you O Lord
Jesus said 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was

hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

Intercessions

We pray to our Everlasting God, through our Saviour Jesus, who is both Christ the King and the Son of Man and who understands our needs and the needs of this world.

Holy God, we raise before you your churches here in our benefice, of which your Son is King. We pray that you will draw us together and unite us in the love of Christ, that we may proclaim with one voice your justice and righteousness in a broken world.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we pray for your world, of which your Son is King. We pray for peace, reconciliation and healing in the places of war, hatred and terrorism. We pray that the nations of this world may be united and subject to the rule of Christ the King, through whom and for whom all things were created.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we pray for all those who suffer and remember those on our prayer list. We pray that they will know the presence of your Son alongside them and the power of Christ the King within them, bringing peace and healing for them and help and encouragement for those caring for them at this time of need.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, we raise before you all who have died and who are now with your Son the king. We pray for those who have recently died and for their resurrection into the kingdom of God, and for those whose anniversary falls at this time.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**
Faithful God, we give thanks to you for all that you do in our lives. As the church year comes to an end, we commend to you all those for whom we have prayed throughout the year and ask that you continue to use us and our prayers to make a difference in their lives.
Merciful Father: **Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Services for 29th November : Advent Sunday

10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion Preacher – Diocesan Agricultural Chaplain	Buxhall

Please remember the families and loved ones of those who have recently died including Marian Stiff. May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

As a Group of Churches we are committed to promoting a 'Safer Church' for all. Information relating to Safeguarding is available in all our churches and from our Diocesan Website https://www.cofesuffolk.org/promoting-a-safer-church

Please use this link for all services held on Zoom:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4703781299?pwd=doep7y6JYxv0IIXsxROxnbezIda9ME.1
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