

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Julien Vanhinsbergh; Michael Hawthorn; Hilary Taylor; Marguerite Gold; Helen Wheatley; Dan Beales; Rosie Fee; Baby Grace; Joan Bennett; William Marston; Claire Brady; Karen Mason; Jonathan Fermor; Richard and Jeanette Appleton; Lydia Trott and Val Grantham

All who grieve, especially the family and friends of Courtney Willett; Janet Moy; Mary Nottingham and Mavis Baudains

World Leaders and our government
Ukraine and those ministering to the traumatised President Putin and his advisors
All hostages and those who have recently been released
All our wedding couples
Our local foodbanks
Those suffering from Covid

Reading for Easter 2

Acts 5:27-32
Revelation 1:4-8
John 20:19-end

DAILY READINGS

Mon Isaiah 62:6-10 or
Ecclesiasticus 51:13-end
Acts 12:25-13:13

Tues: Joshua 1:1-9
Ephesians 6:10-20

Wed: Exodus 16:11-end
Colossians 2:1-15

Thurs: Exodus 17
Colossians 2:16-3.11

Fri: Exodus 18:1-12
Colossians 3:12-4:1

Sat: Exodus 18:13-end
Colossians 4:2-end

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Our Patrons are Emmanuel College, Cambridge.

Items for the pew leaflet should be received by Michelle Jowers by Tuesday afternoon (with a copy to Rev Steph). Michelle is in the office from 9am to 4pm on Tuesdays and Fridays.



Benefice of St Mary's & St Michael's

East Bergholt (EB)

Brantham (B)



Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

Sunday 24 April Easter 2

08:00 BCP Communion, EB
10:00 Informal Service with visiting choir Unlimited Voices, EB
Second reading of the Banns for Henry Sheales and Alice Miskiel
Hymns: 617, 716, 45, 408
10:30 Communion Service, B
Hymns: 103, 157, 148, 133, 503
15:00 Oberammergau Pilgrims Meet and Greet in St Michael's



COLLECT

Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked,
no entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good of others
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father.

AMEN

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Wearing a mask in church is now optional. If you feel safer, please continue to mask.



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God our Father,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ
you have assured
your children of eternal life
and in baptism have made us one with him:
deliver us from the death of sin
and raise us to new life in your love,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

AMEN



PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children,
at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect
them. We pray in the name of Jesus,
the Prince of Peace.

AMEN

Jesus amazed his disciples with his presence. Do you expect to meet Jesus?

EB will be electing a new Warden before the 10:00 service on the 8th May. Liz Digby has resigned for personal reasons. We thank her for all her years of service and offer our prayers for her. Sarah Southgate has agreed to stand as our new Warden.

NOT ON THE INTERNET?

0800 804 8044 (Free) to hear hymns, prayers and thoughts for the day. Now also includes help for sleeping.

LIVESTREAMING

SERVICES Both churches now have the ability to livestream services as cameras have been installed. The cameras are focused on those leading the service, the lectern, pulpit, and font (EB) and Lady Chapel and East Window (B). Further details from the wardens. To view services go to the separate church's YouTube channels: St Mary's East Bergholt or St Michael's Brantham. Compline is still available via Constable Country Churches YouTube channel.

If you (or someone you know) are in hospital please do let Rev Steph know. Also, if you have moved, please let us know so we can update our records.

Mon 25 <i>Work on St Michael's tower begins once the scaffolding is up</i>	Tues 26 09:15 Rev Steph meeting with Rev Sally 12:00 Fraternal meets at Capel Rectory	Wed 27 10:00 Spiritual Direction at the Rectory 14:00 Barrie Depree, Ashes to Rest, EB Cemetery 19:30 Rev Steph at EB United Charities meeting, Congregational Church
Mon 2 Bank Holiday	Tues 3 <i>Rev Steph is at Moorfields today</i> 08:45 Rev Steph meeting with Rev Sally	Wed 4 09:30 BCP Communion (Healing), EB (John 12:20 -26) 13:00 Rev Steph at Chapter
Mon 9	Tues 10 09:15 Rev Steph and Rev Sally meet 19:30 Rev Steph at EB Preservation Society meeting	Wed 11 11:00 Carol Whitby Home Communion, B 15:30 Rev Steph meeting at EBPS 19:15 Wardens meeting via Zoom

At the EB service for Ukraine we raised £695 making the total so far £1,388. and at the Brantham service £560 was raised making a total of £877.52!
Thank you so much for your generous donations.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs 28 13:30 Margaret Reeves, Ashes to Rest, EB 14:50 Rev Steph EBPS assemblies	Friday 29 <i>Benefice newsletter distributed today</i> 09:30-11:30 Toddlers and Carers, EB 17:00 Wedding rehearsal, EB 19:00 Choir Practice, EB	Sat 30 13:30 Wedding of Emily Collins and Charlie Woollaston, EB	Sunday 1 May Easter 3 10:00 Communion, EB Third reading of Banns for Alice Miszkief and Henry Sheales 10:30 Family Service, B First reading of Banns for Kate Stone and Christopher Harp; Lizzie Dickinson and James Bain 12:00 Wedding Prep at the Rectory 16:00 Family@church, EB
Thurs 5 14:50 Rev Steph EBPS assemblies 19:00 B PCC meets in the church	Friday 6 10:30 EB Magazine Committee meets in Fountain House tea rooms 18:00 Wedding Prep at the Rectory 19:00 Choir Practice, EB	Sat 7 11:00 Memorial Service for Trevor Rose, B	Sunday 8 May Easter 4 08:00 BCP Communion, EB (Healing) 10:00 Family Service baptism of Olivia Newman, EB 10:30 Communion Service, B Hymns: 25, 14, 355, 354 14:30 Baptism of Sophie and Maximus Connell, B
Thurs 12 11:00 Funeral of Mary Nottingham, EB 14:00 MU meeting with the theme 'Sing with Joy', EB 14:50 Rev Steph EBPS assemblies 19:00 Deanery Synod, EB	Friday 13 09:30-11:30 Toddlers and Carers, EB 17:00 Wedding rehearsal, EB 19:00 Choir Practice, EB	Sat 14 14:00 Wedding of Charlotte Barker and Nathan Biggs, EB	Sunday 15 May Easter 5 10:00 Communion Service, EB 10:30 Informal Service, B Second reading of the Banns for Kate Stone and Christopher Harp; Lizzie Dickinson and James Bain

Thank you to all our wonderful flower arrangers for their hard work over Easter.