



comprising the parishes of  
Fressingfield, Metfield,  
Mendham, Stradbroke,  
Weybread, Withersdale

## June and July 2025



<b>Sunday 6th July</b> <b>Trinity 3</b> Galatians 6[1-6] 7-16 Luke 10:1-11,16-20	9.30am	Metfield	The Gathering
	10.30am	Fressingfield	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Mendham	Village service
	10.30am	Stradbroke	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 13th July</b> <b>Trinity 4</b> Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37	9.00am	Withersdale	Holy Communion BCP
	10.30am	Weybread	Family service
	10.30am	Fressingfield	Informal worship
	10.30am	Metfield	Village service
<b>Sunday 20th July</b> <b>Trinity 5</b> Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42	10.30am	Fressingfield	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Mendham	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Stradbroke	Informal
	6.30pm	Fressingfield	Celebration
<b>Sunday 27th July</b> <b>Trinity 6</b> Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19] Luke 11:1-13	10.30am	Fressingfield	Informal all age service
	10.30am	Metfield	Holy Communion

Prayers throughout the benefice:

Mondays, 10am at the Stradbroke rectory

Wednesdays, 10am at the Alfred Munnings

Thursdays, 9.30am in Fressingfield church

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### Parish church contacts

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There is lots happening during these 2 months; please make sure you check the dates! One of the things I am most looking forward to is our Celebration of Ministry service at the end of June. As I think about my time here, I think I am most proud of the way many people have grown in their faith and now take part in ministry, whether that be formally or informally. We would not be as rich without all of you doing your part - thank you. So come along to the service in June where we can worship God together, celebrate God's goodness to us and enjoy some fellowship over a glass of prosecco!

Please also pray for all the children leaving school and other education in July and teachers and other staff as they have their summer break.

Take care, **Revd Susan**

To anyone who needs to take this course and has not as yet, there is an additional **Safeguarding; Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse Course** taking place in Bury St Edmunds this June. This is to replace a previously postponed course. To book, please **log-in to Insight**, then choose the relevant course: <https://insight.cofesuffolk.org/courses-events-and-resources/raising-awareness-of-domestic-abuse-in-person-bury-st-edmunds-sat-28-june-9-30am-1-30pm/>

### Ministry leadership team:

**Revd Susan, Revd Peter, Revd Diane, Revd Tony, Maria Price and Nick Stolls.**

**If you would like to speak to someone, please contact:**

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## June and July 2025

**Every Tuesday Coffee Break**, 10.30am  
Sancroft Hall. All welcome. Bring friends.

### Every Thursday, termtime

Playtime has finished and has been re-invented as Little Dragonflies. They now meet in the school from 8.45am. We wish them every success. Contact Lynette on 07776 432910 or nettie@blackmatrix.net

**Wednesday 4th June Archdeacon's Visitation**, when churchwardens are sworn in, 7.30pm in Eye church. All welcome. Come and meet Archdeacon Rich.

### Sundays 1st June, 6th July

**Cook@church**, 5 to 7pm, first Sunday of the month, termtime, Metfield Village Hall. Young people (school years 6 to 10) come together to meet, prepare, cook and share a meal. See cook at church on facebook. Contact carolynflitcroftpage@gmail.com June - special salads.

July - Visit to Fire and Feast in Cratfield, booking essential.

### Thursdays 5th June, 3rd July

Mothers' Union, 2.30pm, Sancroft Hall. Speaker in June: Revd Susan Loxton. Speaker in July: Revd Richard Stainer from Fairtrade.

### Saturdays 7th June, 5th July

**Metfield Community Café** 10am to 12. Stalls and refreshments.

### Sundays 15th June, 20th July

**Fressingfield Celebration**, 6.30pm with uplifting contemporary worship from the band. June speaker: Steve Fenning from The Forge Church. July tbc.

### Saturdays 21st June, 19th July

**Fressingfield Produce Market** 10am to 12 noon, Fox and Goose green. Lots of stalls with fresh produce, crafts and gifts, refreshments. Music - folk in June and ukuleles in July. Interested in having a stall? Contact fressproduce@btinternet.com

### Saturday 21st / Sunday 22nd June

#### Weybread Flower Festival and Art Show

10am to 4pm at St Andrews Church and Barns, Weybread IP21 5TR. Flowers, art and cake... showcasing seasonal events throughout a year in the church in spectacular style! The Art Show will be displaying stunning art from local talented artists for you to enjoy whilst relaxing over a cuppa and homemade cake. Raffle. Proceeds to the church.

### Saturday 28th June

**Ordinations** Maria Price is being ordained deacon and Tony Rich ordained priest in St Edmundsbury Cathedral.

### Sunday 29th June

**Benefice Service**, with a celebration of ordinations of both Maria and Tony, plus re-commissioning of lay elders and Revd Susan's 20th year of ordination. 10.30am at Weybread, followed by their legendary refreshments. Please join us for what promises to be a fabulous service.

### Sunday 6th July

**Mendham's village service**, 10.30am  
We will be worshipping outside with God's creatures, 10.30am.

#### PCC Meetings

Thurs 19th June, Fressingfield PCC, 7pm  
Weds 2nd July, Metfield PCC, 10.30am  
Thurs 3rd July, Mendham PCC, 7.15pm  
Weds 16th July, Weybread PCC, 2.30pm

<b>Sunday 1st June Easter 7</b> <i>Acts 16:16-34 John 17:20-26</i>	9.30am	Metfield	The Gathering
	10.30am	Fressingfield	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Mendham	Village service
	10.30am	Stradbroke	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 8th June Pentecost</b> <i>Acts 2:1-21 John 14:8-17 [25-27]</i>	9.00am	Withersdale	Holy Communion BCP
	10.30am	Weybread	Family service
	10.30am	Fressingfield	Informal worship
	10.30am	Metfield	Village service
<b>Sunday 15th June Trinity Sunday</b> <i>Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15</i>	10.30am	Fressingfield	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Mendham	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Stradbroke	Informal
	6.30pm	Fressingfield	Celebration
<b>Sunday 22nd June Trinity 1</b> <i>Galatians 3:23-29</i>	10.30am	Fressingfield	Informal all age service
	10.30am	Metfield	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 29th June Trinity 2</b> <i>Galatians 5:1,13-25 Luke 9:51-62</i>	10.30am	Weybread	Benefice Holy Communion Celebration of ordination and Ministry

### Wednesday 25th June

**The North Suffolk Area Mothers' Union invite you to a Service of Reflection** in Fressingfield church. 'The world we're passing on' led by Revd Canon Alison Alder, followed by a ploughman's lunch in the Sancroft Hall, IP21 5PB. 10am, coffee in the Sancroft Hall. 10.30am, Service of Reflection in church. 12 noon, return to the hall for lunch. Parking on the nearby old garage forecourt and at the Sancroft Hall.

### Tuesday 8th July

**Benefice group** meet 2pm, Sancroft Hall.

### Friday 18th July

Stradbroke primary school leavers' service

### Tuesday 22nd July

Fressingfield school leavers' service.

Please pray for those changing school that they might be filled with enthusiasm and courage for the exciting years ahead.

### Wednesday 23rd July

**Deanery Synod meeting**, 7pm at Burgate with speaker Katie de Bourcier, Diocesan Mission Enabler. All welcome. You don't have to be the Synod representative to attend these meetings. They are really very interesting and a great opportunity to meet people from other parishes.

### Wednesday 30th July

Family nature activities in the churchyard, 10am to 12 noon. To be confirmed. Please contact Revd Diane, 01986 788750, diane1961erica@gmail.com