

St. Mary's, Great Parndon.

NOVEMBER 2025 News.

Priest in charge – Revd Richard Attew – Tel 01279 315044.

Services – Sunday – 11:00am Holy Communion/ morning worship.
Wednesday – 9:30am Morning Prayer.
Thursday – 9:30am Morning Prayer.

Monthly Coffee Morning/ Macmillan Cancer Support Many thanks to all who helped, provided cakes and supported this event. **A grand total of £155 was raised for Macmillan Cancer on the day.**
Our next coffee morning will be held on Thursday 6th November at 10:30am – 12noon.

Remembrance Sunday – 9th November.

Please note that this service starts at the earlier time of 10:30am. The cubs and scouts have been invited to take part, so please arrive early.

Remembrance Day – Tuesday 11th November. There will be a short service at 10:45am at the War Memorial at Cock Green.

PCC Meeting.

Our next PCC Meeting will take place on Monday 10th November, 7:30pm via Zoom, where we will finalise our autumn and Christmas services and confirm our parish share giving for next year.

Bellringers – Stan Clark Memorial Call Change Trophy competition (held at Nazeing).

Our bell ringers took part and finished a creditable third out of 14 bands. Each band had to ring for 5 minutes and were judged on the evenness of their ringing.

Colchester Area Vocations Day.

This will take place on Saturday 8th November from 9:30am to 12:30pm at Marks Tey Village Hall.

2026 Course in Christian Studies.

This begins in January and takes place over 2 years. The closing date for registration is 1st December.

If you are interested in either of these, please contact Revd Richard for further details.

Deanery Prayer Ministry Training.

This will take place on Saturday 29th November from 9:30am to 1:00pm at St Paul's Town Centre church.

This is a morning's practical teaching and prayer to help you pray for others to meet with God and to find his healing presence. Further details on the poster on the porch noticeboard.

Wasps Nest in Chancel roof. (not bees as originally thought)

We are still experiencing dead and dozy wasps on the floor next to the altar, among other places. A pest controller visited us again on 28th October and has treated the nest inside the church. Hopefully this will resolve our problem.

COP30

With the 30th Annual United Nations Climate Conference taking place in the Amazon Rainforest between 10th and 21st November, many have been hoping that this will be an opportunity for world leaders to take more seriously the destruction of forests; to listen to Indigenous communities, especially those in the Amazon, who have that deep understanding of how to care for Creation, who have done least to cause climate change, and yet who are suffering its greatest effects; and to pursue justice for such communities including finance support. Please pray for progress.

Foodbank. Peter Button is happy to take donated items from St Mary's to the Foodbank each week. Please leave items in the usual place next to the font. Note that the Foodbank is dealing with rising demand and is now short of many items, such as tinned meat, tinned fish (tuna), tinned veg, tinned fruit, sponge pudding, instant mashed potatoes, baked beans, pasta, hot chocolate, tea and sugar.

For help: The Church of England has a free 24-hour phone line, *Daily Hope*, offering hymns, prayers & reflections (0800 804 8044).



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