

23rd August 2026 – Trinity 12

THE ORWELL AND DEBEN RURAL BENEFICE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	23 rd	- Exodus 1:8-2:10; Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:13-20.
Monday	24 th	- Genesis 28:10-17; John 1:43-end. Bartholomew
Tuesday	25 th	- 2 Samuel 12:1-25; Acts 9:1-19a.
Wednesday	26 th	- 2 Samuel 15:1-12; Acts 9:19b -31.
Thursday	27 th	- 2 Samuel 15:13-end; Acts 9:32-end.
Friday	28 th	- 2 Samuel 16:1-14; Acts 10:1-16.
Saturday	29 th	- 2 Samuel 17:1-23; Acts 10:17-33.

SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday 23rd August – Trinity 12

10am	Morning Prayer	Bucklesham
10am	Morning Prayer	Hemley
10am	Holy Communion	Kirton
10am	Holy Communion	Levington

Sunday 30th August – Trinity 13

10-30am	Benefice Holy Communion	Newbourne
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Sunday 6th September – Trinity 14

9am	Morning Prayer	Falkenham
10am	Holy Communion	Newbourne
10am	Morning Prayer	Waldringfield
10-30am	Holy Communion	Nacton

Benefice Singing Together

We had a joyous gathering at Hemley Hall Barn for a Benefice Harvest on Sunday August 2nd, followed by a delicious breakfast! This was the first time of using a keyboard and speaker which worked really well for the congregation.

Our next Benefice Service is to be at Newbourne Church on August 30th. So, Benefice Singing Group, renamed, appropriately, Rivers Singers, will meet in Newbourne Church (parking at Village Hall) on Thursday 27 August at 6pm.

All who enjoy singing together most welcome.

Sandra Abbott (sandraabbott@hotmail.com)

Ride and stride 2026

"The annual Ride and Stride event in aid of the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust is taking place this year from 9.00am to 5.00pm on **Saturday 12th September** and the Riders, Striders and Sitters in all 8 churches will be looking for sponsorship.

Celebrities will be riding to all the 30 churches in our Deanery. Your support will be very much appreciated: half the sponsorship money will go to SHCT and half to your local church". Ian Angus

September Events

Tuesday 1st – Kirton Bible Study – 2pm

Wednesday 2nd – Mothers' Union – Kirton Church Hall – 2pm

Monday 7th – Bucklesham Coffee and Library – 10 to 12noon

Wednesday 9th – Kirton Community Tea Shop – 2-30 to 4pm

Thursday 15th – Benefice book club – 2-30pm

Wednesday 23rd – Kirton Community Tea Shop – 2-30 to 4pm

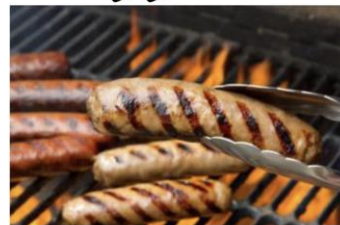
Benefice Book Club

Do you enjoy reading? We are a small group that meets every couple of months to discuss our current book and also for friendship and fellowship

(and of course, tea and cake.)

If you would be interested in joining us or would like further details, please contact Janet Stalker.

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SIZZLE !!**



Veggie options – Drinks

Stalls - Games for All - bring your friends - plenty of parking!

Saturday August 22nd 12-3pm

37 Jackson Road, Newbourne

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