

The Wilford Benefice - Rendlesham Cluster
The Parishes of Rendlesham ~ Eyke ~ Bromeswell ~ Wantisden ~ Tunstall

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NEXT SUNDAY - 28th SEPTEMBER

15th Sunday after Trinity

11am	St. Felix, Rendlesham	Holy Communion
6pm	St. Gregory's, Rendlesham	Taizé

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday:

10:15am-11.30am - Cafe & Top-Up Shop at St. Felix

5-7pm - Open Church at St. Felix - *A time for personal prayer, peace and silent reflection.*

Wednesday:

2pm - Ladies Group at St. Felix Church

Thursday:

St. Felix Church Choir - 7.25-8.45pm - All Welcome!

Saturday:

Harvest Supper - Eyke Village Hall - 7 for 7.30pm

FOR PRAYER

- We pray for all those who are awaiting organ donation, for the increase of organ donors, the success of transplants, and the well-being of those involved (22nd-27th Sept - *Organ Donation Week*).
- We thank you for the gift of sign languages, a beautiful and expressive way for people to communicate (23rd Sept - *International Day of Sign Languages*).

Contacts -

- Benefice Safeguarding Officer - Charlotte Gooch - wilfordbeneficesafeguarding.com
- Benefice Administrator - Linda Cooper - contactwilfordbenefice@gmail.com
- Please send items for the website and church calendar to David Jordan on david@webspider.org
- Please send items for the pew sheet to Rev Greg.

NOTICES & DIARY DATES

Harvest Supper - Eyke Village Hall

27th September - 7 for 7.30pm

£10 per person. BYO wine/beer/glasses

Tickets available from Mike & Gerry Fisher

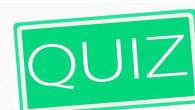
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Harvest Supper & Quiz - Saturday 11th October

St. Felix Church - 7pm

£15 per person to include a fish and chip supper. Teams of 6-8 arranged beforehand or come and make a team on the night. Tickets available at the back of St. Felix or email Rev Greg to book. Sign up today!



Harvest Festival with Bring and Share Lunch

St. Felix - Sunday 19th October

We are planning a church family 'bring and share' lunch after our Harvest Festival service. Please sign up at the back of church. Pop the date in your diary now!



Top-Up Shop Volunteers

We are looking for additional volunteers to support the work of our Tuesday morning top-up shop, especially as numbers are expected to pick up over the winter months.

Are you hiding your baking skills under a bushel?

We are also in need of people to join the baking rota for the St. Felix Top-Up Shop cafe. If you think you could support this, please see Anthea who will show you the baking rota and help find you a suitable date or drop Rev Greg an email. Thank you!

Looking Ahead:

- Saturday 29th November - Christmas Coffee Morning & Children's Crafts
- Thursday 11th December - 7pm - Brass Band Carol Concert by The Raedwald Ensemble.

Readings for 21st September ~ St Matthew's Day ~ Red

Collect

O Almighty God, whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector to be an apostle and evangelist: give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain and the possessive love of riches that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Proverbs 3: 13-18

A reading from the book of Proverbs Chapter 3 beginning at verse 13

¹³ Happy are those who find wisdom, and those who get understanding, ¹⁴ for her income is better than silver, and her revenue better than gold. ¹⁵ She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her.

¹⁶ Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honour. ¹⁷ Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. ¹⁸ She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; those who hold her fast are called happy.

*This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God*

Psalms 119: 65-72

⁶⁵ You have dealt graciously with your servant, according to your word, O Lord.

⁶⁶ O teach me true understanding and knowledge, for I have trusted in your commandments.

⁶⁷ Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I keep your word.

⁶⁸ You are gracious and do good; O Lord, teach me your statutes.

⁶⁹ The proud have smeared me with lies, but I will keep your commandments with my whole heart.

⁷⁰ Their heart has become gross with fat, but my delight is in your law.

⁷¹ It is good for me that I have been afflicted, that I may learn your statutes.

⁷² The law of your mouth is dearer to me than a hoard of gold and silver.

***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever
Amen***

2 Corinthians 4: 1-6

A reading from the second letter to the Corinthians chapter 4 beginning at verse 1

Since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. ³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

*This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God*

Matthew 9.9-13

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you O Lord

⁹ As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰ And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples.

¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' ¹²But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

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

Post Communion

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.. **Amen**