

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

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**NEXT SUNDAY - 8th February**  
**2nd Sunday before Lent**

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| 9.30am | St Edmunds Bromeswell   | Holy Communion  |
| 9.30am | St Gregory's Rendlesham | Holy Communion  |
| 11am   | St. Felix Rendlesham    | All Age Worship |

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Tuesday:**

10:15am-11.30am - Cafe & Top-Up Shop at St. Felix  
 5-7pm - Open Church at St. Felix

**Wednesday:**

2pm - Ladies Group in back room @ St. Felix

**Thursday:**

10-12 Noon - Bromeswell Coffee Morning @ The Nottcutts. The Grange, School Lane.  
 12.30pm - Internment of Ashes, St Edmunds Bromeswell  
 7.15pm - Choir @ St. Felix Church

**FOR PRAYER**

- We pray for Gillian whose funeral takes place on Friday.
- Dear God, we thank you for the amazing advances in technology in recent years. Thank you for the wonderful resource of the Internet. We ask that you help us to use it wisely - to broaden our minds, not to harm others (Safer Internet Day - 10th Feb)
- We pray for love to overcome hate, for light to overcome darkness and for the light of Christ to shine in our hearts.

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- Please send items for the pew sheet to Rev Greg.

**NOTICES & DIARY DATES**

**Next Midweek Communion Service:**  
**Thursday 19th February - 10am - St. Felix**

**Ash Wednesday - 18th February 2026**

There will be two services of Holy Communion with the Imposition of Ashes on Ash Wednesday.

**10.30am** - St. Felix, Rendlesham - Rev Mandy  
**7pm** - All Saints, Eyke - Rev Greg

**Rev Greg on Holiday**

Rev Greg will be away from Saturday 14th February until lunchtime on Tuesday 17th February. In his absence, please contact Rev Mandy or leave an email for him to pick up upon his return.

**Pancakes & Party Hats @ St. Felix for Shrove Tuesday**

**Tuesday 17th February. 3pm-4.30pm.**

Games, Crafts and of course, Pancakes!  
 All Welcome! We'd also appreciate a few offers of help to support serving refreshments etc please. Speak to Rev Greg or Charlotte for more information.

**Saturday 21st February - Quiz Night at Bromeswell Village Hall** in aid of St Edmunds. Last few tables available. To book an email Lauren at [Laurenbcfundraising@outlook.com](mailto:Laurenbcfundraising@outlook.com).

**Saturday 18th April - Indoor Table Top Sale in Bromeswell Village Hall.** If you'd like a table, please email Lauren on the above email address.

**Looking Ahead - Save the Date!**

**80's, 90's and 00's Disco**

St. Felix Church on Friday **24th April starting at 7pm.**  
 More details to follow!

**Bentwaters Airbase Talk**

On Saturday 9th May Simon, from the Bentwaters Cold War Museum, will be hosting a talk at St Felix Church starting at 3pm. The talk will cover areas such as the origins of the base, the early days of the RAF and USAF, some of the social aspects and impact on the locals and how the base and village changed to what it is now. More details to follow!

## Readings for 8<sup>th</sup> February ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent ~ Green

### **Collect**

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen**

### **Psalm 136 : 1-9, 23-26**

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious, for his mercy endures for ever.

2 Give thanks to the God of gods, for his mercy endures for ever.

3 Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his mercy endures for ever;

4 Who alone does great wonders, for his mercy endures for ever;

5 Who by wisdom made the heavens, for his mercy endures for ever;

6 Who laid out the earth upon the waters, for his mercy endures for ever;

7 Who made the great lights, for his mercy endures for ever;

8 The sun to rule the day, for his mercy endures for ever;

9 The moon and the stars to govern the night, for his mercy endures for ever;

23 Who remembered us when we were in trouble, for his mercy endures for ever;

24 And delivered us from our enemies, for his mercy endures for ever;

25 Who gives food to all creatures, for his mercy endures for ever.

26 Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his mercy endures for ever.

**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**

### **Romans.8:18~25**

*A reading from the letter to the Romans chapter 8 beginning at verse 18*

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; <sup>20</sup>for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup>that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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

### **Matthew 6: 25-34**

*Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew*

**Glory to you O Lord**

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup>Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup>And can

any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?' <sup>28</sup>And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup>yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. <sup>30</sup>But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? <sup>31</sup>Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" <sup>32</sup>For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. <sup>33</sup>But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. <sup>34</sup>'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.'

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

### **Post Communion**

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**