## Prayer Diary

On the week beginning with Remembrance Sunday let our theme be prayer for peace and reconciliation.We also pray each day for those who are unwell and for all in our own prayers.

**Sunday 8th November –** *Remembrance Sunday*

- Our Bishops Graham, Jane & Ian.
- Our Rector, Revd. Joanna Haywood, our 'ministry team', churchwardens and PCC's that under Joanna's leadership and by the guidance of the Holy Spirit, Christ's Church in this benefice may grow in faith, service and witness.
- All in Wroxham Road & Chapel Lane, Coltishall

**Monday 9th November** – *Margery Kempe, Mystic, c1440* Margery was a mystic from King's Lynn whose meditations were recorded by her priest confessor. She travelled widely going on pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

- The Middle East. We pray for peace, for the release of hostages, for repentance where that is required, for a just reconciliation, for the rebuilding of lives and the possibility that one day that Israeli and Palestinian, Jew, Christian and Muslim, may live together in their mutual homeland in peace and respect.
- All in Rectory Road and Church Close, Horstead

**Tuesday 10th November** – *Leo the Great, Bishop of Rome, Teacher of the Faith, 461* A fifth Century Pope who persuaded Attila the Hun not to invade Italy. He was also an influential theologian especially in the debates dealing with the nature of Christ, all summed up in the creeds!

- All who suffer as the result of war, warfare and terror. We remember the departed and pray for the injured, bereaved, the homeless and refugee.
- All in Cromer Road, Hainford and Stratton Strawless

**Wednesday 11th November** – *Martin, Bishop of Tours, c397 Remembrance Day* A Hungarian who became a Roman Soldier in Gaul, then a Bishop. Reputed to have cut his coat in two and given half to the poor. His name has been given to many churches and organisations serving the most needy. including St Martins Housing Trust in Norwich.

- Those other parts of the world in conflict today including the Ukraine, Sudan and DR Congo. For the great promoters of Peace and Care, The United Nations and agencies like UNHCR and the Red Cross.
- All in Mill Road and Mayton Avenue, Frettenham.

**Thursday 12th November**

- The leaders of the nations that God will turn their hearts from short term political expediency to become real states-persons prepared to work and invest together with their peers and with their people to build a better world.
- All in Kings Road and College Close Coltishall.

**Friday 13th November** – *Charles Simeon, Priest, Evangelical Divine, 1836* Charles Simeon a vicar in Cambridge who influenced the growing evangelical movement in the Church of England, involved in the setting up of the Church Missionary Society, and the Church's Mission amongst Jewish People.

- Our own country. For unity and common cause for peace and justice.
- All in Tungate Close and Causeway Drive, Horstead

**Saturday 14th November** – *Samuel Seabury, First Anglican Bishop in North America, 1796* Seabury was instrumental in setting up the Episcopal Church in North America. He had to be consecrated Bishop in Scotland because as an American he couldn't make the oath of loyalty to the King. Sadly, he was a man of his times and was brought up in a slave owning family and retained his own personal slaves all his life. Today the Episcopal Church is committed to promoting racial justice.

- The rediscovery of the deep meaning of the word Shalom meaning peace but also includes justice, righteous living and well-being expressed in community.
- Our worship tomorrow in Hainford and Coltishall and all involved in leading and facilitating our services.
- All in Shorthorn Road and Bracken Close, Stratton Strawless.

# THE COLTISHALL GROUP OF PARISHES

*Serving the communities of Coltishall with Gt Hautbois, Frettenham, Hainford, Horstead and Stratton Strawless*



## 8th November 2026 Remembrance Sunday

**Services Today**

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| 9.30am | Holy Communion for Remembrance, Horstead Church, followed by Act of Remembrance at Horstead War Memorial 10.50am |
| 10.45am | Morning Worship with Act of Remembrance, Hainford Church |
| 2.00pm | Act of Remembrance, Frettenham Church |
| 3.00pm | Act of Remembrance, Coltishall War Memorial |

**Monday 9th November**

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| 9.00am | Morning Prayer, Horstead Church |
| 10.00am | Coltishall PCC meeting, The Rectory |
| 2.00pm | Stratton Strawless PCC meeting, Church Farmhouse |
| 7.30pm | The Bible Course follow on – The Rectory |

**Tuesday 10th November**

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| 9.00am | Morning Prayer, Hainford church |
| 2.00pm | Hainford PCC meeting |
| 3.30pm | Reception of coffin at Horstead Church |

**Wednesday 11th November**

*Horstead Church closed until funeral at 2pm*

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| 9.00am | Morning Prayer, Coltishall Church |
| 10.00am | Midweek Holy Communion, Coltishall Church followed by coffee at the Red Lion Café, all welcome |
| 10.50am | Act of Remembrance, Coltishall War Memorial |
| 12.30pm | Community Lunch, Church Room, book with Joan Milligan (01603 737270) |
| 2.00pm | Funeral, Horstead Church |

**Thursday 12th November**

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| 9.00am | Morning Prayer, Stratton Strawless Church |
| 2.00pm | Rev'd Joanna on pre-Advent Deanery study afternoon |

**Friday 13th November**

*Rev'd Joanna's rest day*

**Next Sunday**

**8th November 2026 – Second Sunday before Advent**

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| 9.30am | Morning Worship, Hainford Church |
| 11.00am | Holy Communion, Coltishall Church |
| 4.00pm | Patronal Festival, Stratton Strawless Church |

Readings:

1 Corinthians 13, Matthew 18.1-14, , ,

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**Collect**
God, our refuge and strength,
bring near the day when wars shall cease
and poverty and pain shall end,
that earth may know the peace of heaven
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**1st Reading Lamentations 3.17-26, 31-33**

17 my soul is bereft of peace;
I have forgotten what happiness is;
18 so I say, 'Gone is my glory,
and all that I had hoped for from the Lord.'
19 The thought of my affliction and my homelessness
is wormwood and gall!
20 My soul continually thinks of it
and is bowed down within me.
21 But this I call to mind,
and therefore I have hope:
22 The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,[a]
his mercies never come to an end;
23 they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.
24 'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul,
'therefore I will hope in him.'
25 The Lord is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.
26 It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the Lord.
31 For the Lord will not
reject for ever.
32 Although he causes grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
33 for he does not willingly afflict
or grieve anyone.

**2nd Reading: Romans 8.18-25**

**18** I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. **19** For the creation waits with eager longing for lliam15!
the revealing of the children of God; **20** for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope **21** 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. **22** We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; **23** 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. **24** For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? **25** But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

**Gospel reading:** Luke 24.1-9
But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. **2** They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, **3** but when they went in, they did not find the body. **4** While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. **5** The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. **6** Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, **7** that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' **8** Then they remembered his words, **9** and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest.

**Post Communion prayer**
God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

***Emergency Contact Details***
Did you know that each church has a folder where you can place your emergency contact details (in a sealed envelope) in case we should need them during a service. This is another way we can show our love for each other. If you haven't done this, please consider doing it – just in case!

## *Dates for your diary*

**11th November – Armistice Day**
The Royal British Legion will be gathering at the War Memorial in Coltishall to mark the armistice that ended fighting on the Western Front of World War 1 in 1918 as we remember the fallen of World War 1 and subsequent conflicts.

Join us for **Advent** as we watch and wait together. We will work our way through 4 weeks focusing on Walking with Angels. It starts on Monday 30th November through to Monday 21st December, 10.30am-12noon at the Rectory.
Come and watch and wait with us.
Details from Rev'd Joanna.




We're now planning the next **Bible Course** so if you would like to come to this, please let Rev'd Joanna know. Full information about the course at: www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/the-bible-course.