

## WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES & SERVICES



**29<sup>th</sup> June 2025 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

### **THIS WEEK**

**Collect:** *Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

**Readings:** 2 Kings 2:1-2,6-14 Luke 9:51-62

**Hymns:** A&M 343 Be thou my vision

Would I have answered when you called?

MP 1157 The Communion Hymn (Behold the Lamb)

MP 799 All I once held dear

### **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

10.00am St. Etheldreda's Service at Reach

*We hope to be able to live stream the 10am service on Facebook. If so, a recording will be available to watch after end of service.*

4.00 – 5.30pm Midsummer Funday Messy Church  
at St. Mary's – *outdoor activities, games & crafts.*

### **WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK**

**Mon** 7.30pm Bellringing Practice

**Wed** 10.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

**Thurs** 9.00am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

**Frid** 10.00am Refresh Café and Lunch at St. Mary's

**Sat** 9.00am Village Green Prayers

### **SUNDAY WORSHIP – Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

8.30am Holy Communion at Reach

10.00am Café Church at St. Mary's

### **YOUR PRAYERS:**

- Lord Jesus Christ, you speak to us of heavenly things, even when we are most interested in earthly things.

Speak to us in the night-times of our lives, that we may learn the Way and the Will of your Holy Spirit.

- We pray for all people in places where there is ongoing unease, destruction and war across the globe, including Myanmar, Sudan, Syria and in particular for the people of Iran and the wider Middle East at this time of fear and uncertainty. Be near to those who are anxious; bring comfort to all who are suffering. Guide those with the power to make decisions and lead them in the ways of wisdom, compassion and moderation, that people of good will would seek harmony & reconciliation. We also continue to pray for the continuing war in Ukraine.

- For the work of organisations helping families around the world to overcome poverty and injustice, wherever the need is greatest, and there is high risk of famine including: Haiti, Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Yemen, Syria, DRC, South Sudan.

- We pray for God's wonderful creation that we work harder to make the necessary changes to our lifestyle in order to safeguard and protect the integrity of all life. For governments and organisations to be prepared to take urgent action.

We remember farmers and those who work in nature, asking God to make them good custodians of our natural environment. Make us all people who recognise, nurture and act towards a more sustainable world for the benefit of all who draw life from this planet.

- For all those struggling in today's difficult economic situation. May adequate immediate provision be made available, and support to find longer term solutions, so that everyone has their basic needs met for food, shelter, employment and security.

- For national and international governments as they tackle the economic and social issues which affect them. May those in authority act with wisdom and justice to bring the greatest good for the greatest number of people.

- As students undertake exams, we pray for all those supporting them to achieve their best, parents, carers, teachers, and mentors. We give grateful thanks to those individuals who daily inspire our youth.

-- For those to be ordained deacon or priest in the next few weeks, including those to be ordained this weekend in Ely Cathedral.

For our leaders as the Diocese continues the process of choosing a new Bishop of Ely. For this parish, for Eleanor, Paula, Jo, Virginia, Kevin & all in leadership.

- For Virginia, on placement in the Three Rivers Group from 9<sup>th</sup> June – 13<sup>th</sup> July.

- For our work with children, young people and families, including Refresh Café, Messy Church and Connect Café. For those involved on the teams, and for all who come along.

- For those living in:- Abbey Close, Hall Lane, Meadowlands, Park Road, Parsonage Lane, Pound Close, Priory Close, Spring Close, The Paddocks (Burwell), Great Lane (Reach).

- For those in special need: Danny, Sarah, Jackie C, Neil, Sonya (Anna Hopper's sister), Janice, Sonny (Jackie & Tony's Great Grandson), Kate, Jennie D, John D, Joanne, Pam C, Michael (Ysanne's brother), Jackie L, Sue A, Daphne, Alison K's friends John and Paul, Lesha (Janice Fearn's granddaughter) and Jessica, following her recent surgery.

- For the bereaved and for those remembering anniversaries of loss of loved ones.

### **FOR YOUR ATTENTION**

#### **\* Green envelope scheme.**

There are many ways we can financially give to church, through the offertory plate, gift aid, bank mandate, the green envelope scheme and even the card reader at the back of church. We are grateful whichever way you give. Thank you. The green envelope scheme runs from August to July: if you would like to join the scheme for the upcoming year please let our Gift Aid Officer Ian Richards ( [ianandjo49@btinternet.com](mailto:ianandjo49@btinternet.com) or 01638 743131) know. For current members of the scheme, your new envelopes will be delivered next month.

### **PASTORAL CARE**

Please contact Eleanor or Paula with messages about pastoral news, needs & concerns, requests for prayer.

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