

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES & SERVICES

St Mary's Burwell
St Etheldreda's Reach



Loving God, Loving People

12th July 2026 – 6th Sunday after Trinity

THIS WEEK

Collect: *Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding:*

pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through 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.

Readings: Genesis 25:19-34 Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

Hymns: MP 1350 Speak O Lord as we come to you

MP 189 God is working his purpose out

MP 1183 Holy Spirit living breath of God

MP 463 May the mind of Christ my Saviour

SUNDAY WORSHIP

10.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

We hope to live stream the 10am service on Facebook.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Mon 7.30pm Bell ringing practice

Wed 10.30am Holy Communion at Reach

10.30am Morning Prayer at Ness Court

Frid 10.00am Refresh Café at St. Mary's

Sat 9.00am Village Green Prayers

SUNDAY WORSHIP – 19th JULY 2026

8.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

10.00am Holy Communion at Burwell

2.00-4.00pm Discover Nature Event

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

- We pray for the people of Venezuela following the devastating earthquakes. We pray that the survivors find the courage and support that they urgently need and for comfort for bereaved families. May God watch over, protect and bless the efforts of the emergency services and rescuers.

- We give thanks for the natural world and for wildlife.

As communities across the world face the effects of extreme weather and environmental change, may governments, businesses and individuals act with greater responsibility towards the earth we share.

- We continue to pray for peace in our troubled world. We think of those that have lost so much; livelihoods, homes, communities and loved ones. We think especially of the Middle East with the fragile ceasefire between US-Israel and Iran and the effects on the surrounding countries. May world leaders be guided to act with integrity and concern for the common good as they make decisions and implement policies that affect many lives. For family and friends in the Middle East.

- For the people of Gaza and Israel, that a stable and lasting ceasefire plan may be secured and for a just outcome to peace negotiations between Russia and 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: Myanmar, Haiti, Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Yemen, Syria, DRC, South Sudan.

- We pray for those communities where people are afraid to walk the streets because of their faith and traditions. Where there is enmity, we pray for peace; where there is division, healing; and where there is hatred, a mending of broken bonds.

- 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 all governments as they tackle the issues which affect them.

- We pray for our country and for all who serve in local and national government. May they learn, in their work, 'to serve and not to be served, to give and not to count the cost.' May they seek always to support those in greatest need rather than those with greatest influence.

We pray especially at this time as Prime Minister changes take place.

- As schools and colleges approach or reach the end of the academic year and many young people are thinking about their future, may they be supported and encouraged in their choices.

- We pray for the Bishop of Ely, Rt Revd Sarah Clark. We pray that she will be given wisdom as she guides the diocese in the next step of our journey. Give her strength in all that lies ahead.

- For this parish, for Eleanor, Paula, Jo, Kevin & all in leadership, and for the newly formed Fabric Group.

- For our work with children, young people and families, including Refresh Café, Messy Church, Connect Café and Youth 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), Fairgreen (Reach).

- For those in special need: Sarah, Jackie C, Neil, Janice, Sonny (Jackie & Tony's Great Grandson), Kate, Jennie D, Joanne, Pam C, Michael (Ysanne's brother), Sue A, Daphne, Lesha (Janice Fearn's granddaughter), Jessica, David K, Brenda, Stephen (Boppo), Joan L, David S.

- For the bereaved including the family and friends of James Webb, Mary Hardy and for those remembering anniversaries of loss of loved ones.

FOR YOUR ATTENTION

* **Discover Nature Event.** 2pm-4pm Sunday 19th July at Spring Close and St. Mary's Churchyard. See Contact for more details.

* **Summer of Pilgrimage:** new resources available include Prayer Cards and Pilgrim Trails for our churches. Let Eleanor know if you are interested in Pilgrimage Walks and/or Quiet Days over the summer.

* **Pilgrim Places, Holy Lives** books available £3 each.

* **Pilgrimage in later life** – we hope to start a group on Thursday mornings from end of July for 4 -5 weeks. Please let Eleanor know if you would like to join.

PASTORAL CARE

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