

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES & SERVICES

St Mary's Burwell
St Etheldreda's Reach



Loving God, Loving People

20th September 2026 – 16th Sunday after Trinity

THIS WEEK

Collect: *O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now & for ever. Amen.*

Readings: Exodus 16:2-15 Matthew 20:1-16

Hymns:

MP415 Let us with a gladsome mind

MP251 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

MP414 Let us break bread together

MP201 Guide me O thou great Jehovah

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

10.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

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

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Mon 6.15pm St Mary's Handbell Group

7.30pm Tower Bellringing Practice

Wed 10.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

Frid 10.00am Refresh Café at St. Mary's

Sat 9.00am Village Green Pray-ers

11.00am-2.00pm **St. Mary's Open Day**

3.00pm Renewal of Marriage Vows

SUNDAY WORSHIP – 27th SEPTEMBER 2026

10.00am Holy Communion at Burwell

4.00-5.30pm Harvest Messy Church at St. Mary's

All Ages, All Welcome

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

- 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 pray for people dealing with the effects of natural disasters; earthquakes, cyclones, floods, droughts and fires; we remember those who have lost loved ones, homes and livelihoods, those forced to evacuate, and for the firefighters and emergency services who risk their lives to save and protect others.

- We pray for farmers and those whose livelihoods are affected by the hot, dry weather. May good rains refresh our land and water sources; may the decisions made by our leaders and policymakers reflect a concern for our environment and for nature.

- 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 situation 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.

- 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 all who are involved in local, national and international governance. May they work for mercy and peace in their communities, so that there will be an end to conflict and injustice.

- We pray for the Bishop of Ely, Rt Revd Sarah Clark; as she guides the Diocese.

- For this parish, for Eleanor, Paula, Jo, Kevin & all in leadership, especially Wendy, our churchwarden, assistant wardens Caroline, Kevin, Steve, & the PCC.

- 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 who are unable to meet with us, who are in residential care, including Jennie, Janey, and Vi.

- For those living in:- Blossom Close, Montford Close, Ravenward Drive, New Road, North Street, Old Lode Court, Toyse Close, Toyse Lane (Burwell), The Hythe (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, Karen W, Dawn.

- For the bereaved including the family and friends of Tony Paxman, Patricia Hills and for those remembering anniversaries of loss of loved ones.

FOR YOUR ATTENTION

* **St. Mary's Open Day** will be 11.00am-2.00pm next Saturday 26th September. Explore local Burwell Heritage and climb the tower for amazing views.

See Contact Magazine for more details. If you're available to help on the day, please speak to Wendy.

*There is going to be an **Animal Service** at St. Etheldreda's, Reach at 3pm Sunday 4th October. Come along with your pets or working animals.

PASTORAL CARE

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

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