

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES & SERVICES

St Mary's Burwell
St Etheldreda's Reach



11th October 2026 – 19th Sunday after Trinity

THIS WEEK

Collect: O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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: Exodus 32:1-14, Matthew 22:1-14

Hymns:

MP 529 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

MP 494 O for a closer walk with God

MP 651 The kingdom of God is justice and joy

MP 1282 Hear the call of the Kingdom

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 6.15pm St Mary's Handbell Group

NO Tower Bellingring Practice

Wed 10.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

3.30pm Connect Café at St. Mary's

Frid 10.00am Refresh Café at St. Mary's

Sat 9.00am Village Green Pray-ers

SUNDAY WORSHIP – 18th OCTOBER 2026

8.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

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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 and plan for the future.

- 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.

- 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. We pray for all who are involved in local, national and international governance.

May they work for mercy and peace in their communities and countries, so that there will be an end to war, conflict and injustice.

- 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 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 living in:- For those living in:- Appletree Grove, Broads Road, Chestnut Rise, Dyson's Drove & Foley Bridge, Factory Road, First Drove, Grantchester Rise, Howlem Balk, Mason Road (Burwell), Great Lane (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, Leshia (Janice Fearn's granddaughter), Jessica, David K, Brenda, Stephen (Boppo), Joan L, Karen W, Dawn, Avril.

- For the bereaved including the family and friends of Peter Dowsing and for those remembering anniversaries of loss of loved ones.

FOR YOUR ATTENTION

* Sorry, **no bells** this Sunday. No Bellingring practice Monday 12 October 2026 19:30-21:00.

* **Congratulations** to Tony Thacker who celebrated his 80th birthday last Wednesday.

* If you are interested in joining a pool of volunteers willing to read or lead the intercessions in our services, either as part of a rota or read/lead prayers prepared on the day, please let Eleanor or Paula know.

* It's time to start **knitting** again – mini-Christmas stockings to be filled with sweets. These gifts are much appreciated by children and adults and we would love to donate a good number in time for those visiting Whitemoor Prison during Advent. Many thanks, Paula.

* We are looking for someone to operate the visual presentation as a one-off at the 10.00am service on Sunday 15th November. You'd need to spend some time with one of the operators over the next few weeks, learning what's needed. Speak to Eleanor, Rob or Paula.

PASTORAL CARE

Please contact Eleanor or Paula with messages about pastoral news, needs & concerns, requests for prayer. Revd Canon Dr Eleanor Williams 01638 741262

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