

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Mary and Michael Nottingham, Carrie Hinton,
Pat Gleeson, Margaret Turner, Maureen Skeels,
Marie Rice, Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe, "Ruth and Iain",
and "Josh"

All who grieve, especially the family and friends of
Tom Duff, Eric Page, Ann Cooper, Steven Barke,
Leslie Mower, Oliver Eley and Dr Terry Marshall

Our NHS staff, cleaners and all carers
Those suffering hardship as a result of the pandemic
Local foodbanks
Church and Diocesan finances

Reading for 2nd Sunday of Advent

Mark 1:1-8

DAILY READINGS

Mon	Ezekiel 47:1-12 John 12:20-32
Tues	Isaiah 43:1-13 Revelation 20
Wed	Isaiah 43:14-end Revelation 21:1-8
Thurs	Isaiah 44:1-8 Revelation 21:9-21
Fri	Isaiah 44:9-23 Revelation 21:22-22:5
Sat	Isaiah 44:24-45:13 Revelation 22:6-end

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Our Patrons are Emmanuel College, Cambridge.																			

Items for the pew leaflet should be received by Michelle Jowers by Tuesday afternoon (with a copy to Rev Steph). Michelle is in the office from 9am to 4pm on Tuesdays and Fridays.



Benefice of St Mary's & St Michael's
East Bergholt (EB)

Branham (B)



Then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory

Sunday 29th November
Advent Sunday
Happy New Year!
Liturgical Year B begins today

10:30 Benefice Spiritual Communion
on YouTube only
Preacher: Rev Sally Letman

Please let us know how we can serve
you during lockdown. We are only a
call away!

Containers for the Manningtree
Foodbank Christmas collection are in
the porch until 6th December



COLLECT

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin
to the light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

AMEN

READING

Mark 13: 24-end



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O Lord our God, make us watchful
and keep us faithful as we await
the coming of your Son our Lord;
that, when he shall appear,
he may not find us sleeping in sin
but active in his service
and joyful in his praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN



PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

Eternal God, Light of the nations,
in Christ you make all things new:
guide our nation in the coming days
through the inspiration of your Spirit,
that understanding may put an end
to discord and all bitterness.
Give us grace to rebuild bonds of trust
that together we may work
for the dignity and flourishing of all;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

The King is Coming!

Book of Comfort: A collection of prayers, poems and reflections written by Mothers' Union members available from www.lulu.com/bookstore for £7.73—a lovely gift for Christmas.

NOT ON THE INTERNET?

0800 804 8044 - Free call to hear hymns, prayers and thoughts for the day

Support our local businesses!

COVID CASES are rising in Suffolk. Remember social distancing, wear a mask and carry sanitiser with you!

The Archbishops invite you to join them in prayer at 18:00 each day of lockdown.

POPPY COLLECTION:

Thank you for all your donations. St Mary's box received £15 and St Michael's £93.75.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

There will be an 8:00 BCP communion on Christmas Eve in EB. Midnight Mass at 23:30 in EB. Christmas Day communion at 9:30 in B. **Booking is essential for these services.**

Carol services will be on YouTube only.

Family Crib Service, B, on Christmas Eve will be on YouTube only.

The EB Float procession begins in Gandish Road at 15:30 on Christmas Eve.

Mon 30
Rev Steph's rest day

Lord, we pray for local Foodbanks today.

Mon 7
Rev Steph's rest day

Manningtree Foodbank containers collected this afternoon

Mon 14
Rev Steph's rest day

Tues December 1

09:15 Rev Sally and Rev Steph meet via Zoom
11:00 EB Christmas Planning Meeting via Zoom
19:30 Bishop Mike's Advent Course via Zoom

Tues 8
09:15 Rev Sally and Rev Steph meet via Zoom
11:00 Rev Steph and Rev Eric meet via Zoom
14:30 Christingle at EBPS
19:30 Bishop Mike's Advent Course via Zoom

Carol Service filming, B (time to be confirmed)

Tues 15
09:15 Rev Sally and Rev Steph meet via Zoom
11:00 Rev Steph and Rev Eric meet via Zoom
19:30 Bishop Mike's Advent Course via Zoom

Wed 2
Lockdown Ends

09:30 BCP Communion on YouTube (Matthew 15:29-37)
15:30 Rev Steph and Rev Eric at Chapter meeting
20:00 Social get together via Zoom. Contact Julie 618243 to join

Wed 9
17:30 Rev Steph at EBPS Governors' meeting
20:00 Social get together via Zoom. Contact Julie 618243 to join

Carol Service filming, B (time to be confirmed)

Wed 16
14:30 DAC meeting at EB with our new architect Michael Garber followed by Preservation Society Committee meeting with him.
20:00 Social get together via Zoom. Contact Julie 618243 to join

Have you written yet to support the development of the carpark in Church Farm Fields, Brantham? Please do!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs 3

14:40 Rev Steph and Rev Eric at EBPS assembly

Thurs 10

Donkey trail begins to be set up in EB

14:40 Rev Steph and Rev Eric at EBPS assembly
15:30 Carol service filming, EB

Carol Service filming, B (time to be confirmed)

Thurs 17

14:40 Rev Steph and Rev Eric at EBPS assembly
TBC Funeral at Great Wenham
18:30 B Carol Service on YouTube only.

Fri 4

Today we remember Nicholas Ferrar, founder of the Little Gidding Community. Why not read a poem by TS Elliot today?

09:30 Toddlers and Carers, West End, EB

Fri 11

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Decorations begin to go up in the St Mary's churchyard.

Fri 18

Sat 5

Containers for Christmas foodstuff donations to Manningtree Foodbank in both church porches until tomorrow

Sat 12

Carol service filming, EB (TBC)

Sat 19

Sunday 6 December
Advent 2

10:30 Benefice Communion, EB. Mother's Union will be taking part as we celebrate Chris Jacob's faithful years of service as Branch Leader.

Sunday 13 December
Advent 3

09:30 Rev Steph and Rev Sally at Great Wenham
10:30 Benefice Informal Service, B
10:45 Rev Steph and Rev Sally at Communion service, Capel
14:30 Baptism, EB (TBC)
Carol service filming at EB

Sunday 20 December
Advent 4

10:30 Benefice Communion, EB
15:00 EB Carol Service on YouTube only.

The Matt merchandise (mugs, bags, tea towel, magnets), Loaves and Fishes recipe book and 2021 calendars are available to buy. Early Christmas shopping without stress. Contact Fiona or Liz for orders and free delivery! Great discounts to be had!