

Benefice Events & Notices

Storehouse.

Please give generously at this time when so many families are relying on food banks. Thank you

Goods and donations for Thurston can be left at No 31, School Rd, Thurston, Jill Rood theroods@waitrose.com, donations for Great Barton can be left at Holy Innocents church or with Tim Frost at 2, Diomed Drive, Great Barton.

A drop-in session for those coping with bereavement, run by St Nicholas Hospice Care.

At the Thurst Café in the New Green Community Centre, in Thurston, the sessions will be held every fortnight on a Wednesday, alternating between the morning and afternoon.

The Bereavement Café is a space where people can talk about the pain of loss and also find courage and strength in knowing they are not alone.

Available in Great Barton.

"Two flats are available in Oakampton House, Great Barton, next to Montana Care Home. For more information please contact Sr. Thaya Moses on 01284 787321."

Bishop's Lent Appeal 2023

Every year in Lent, Bishop Martin and Bishop Mike encourage us to reflect as well as to give. This year the Bishop's Lent Appeal will be raising money for our link Diocese of Kagera in Tanzania. Throughout Lent you will be able to learn more about life in Kagera, to pray and to raise funds. Go to <https://www.cofesuffolk.org/exploring-faith/our-bishops/bishops-lent-appeal/> for all information and how to donate. **YOU STILL HAVE TIME TO DONATE**

Visit the following to get the latest information :-

website: <https://www.greatbartonandthurston.org.uk>

Facebook pages:

Holy Innocents: <https://www.facebook.com/Holy-Innocents-Church-Great-Barton-685807921585678/>

St Peter's: <https://www.facebook.com/St-Peters-Church-Thurston-1790473917903849/>

Please email any notices to Pat Sadler patsadler@hotmail.com by Thurs 6th Apr 23
01359 230865 or 07552 234443

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Holy Innocents, Great Barton & St Peter's, Thurston

www.greatbartonandthurston.org.uk

**Sunday 2nd April
Palm Sunday**



Readings (NRSV please)

**H.C.(BCP) at St Peter's. Ps 118.1-2,19-end Mt 21:1-11
Evensong. Zech 9: 9-12 Lk 16: 19-end**

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross:

grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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

Rev'd Ben Edwards

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Ben's time off is Friday pm and Saturdays.

Churchwardens

Holy Innocents Gt.Barton

Tim Frost 01284 787442 or 07840 249448

Angela Pearce 01359 230395

St Peter's Thurston

Pat Sadler 01359 230865 or 07552 234443

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Services for this week

Sunday 2nd April

Palm Sunday

Holy Communion (BCP) at St Peter's, Thurston at 8.30am

Benefice Sung Eucharist at Holy Innocents, Great Barton at 10.30am

Choral Evensong at Holy Innocents, Great Barton at 6.30pm

Thursday 6th April

Maundy Thursday

Benefice Holy Communion at Holy Innocents, Great Barton at 7.00pm

Followed by 1hr Vigil at Holy Innocents, Great Barton

Followed by 1hr Vigil at St Peter's, Thurston

Friday 7th April

Good Friday

Meeting at Holy Innocents, Great Barton, at 10.00am for The Walk of Witness with Freedom Church

Benefice 1hr At The Cross at St Peter's at 7.00pm (with projected images)

Services for next week

Sunday 9th April

Easter Sunday

Holy Communion (BCP) at St Peter's, Thurston at 8.30am

Easter Communion (CW) at Holy Innocents, Great Barton at 10.30

Together Family Church at St Peter's, Thurston, breakfast at 10.00am, service to include informal communion at 10.30am, followed by an 'Egg Hunt'.

Date for the Diary

Tuesday 18th April Coffee Morning at St Peter's Church, Thurston at 10.30am. Bring & Buy and Raffle.
All welcome Mary Fawcett.

Prayer Chain



We all need others to pray for us sometimes. If you would like our prayer team to pray for you this week, please send your prayer request to Kathy Drakes: email kathy@drakesfamily.org). Requests are only shared confidentially between the vicar and the prayer team.

A message from Betty Holdgate

Meeting Point will not be open until the 12th April. Happy Easter to all our customers.
Thanks Betty.

Praying for our Benefice

We pray for;-

- All those who have asked for our prayers and their families: Jane's brother Jon, Alexander, Charlie, Mary Gould, Andrew Garnham, Ian Baxter, Hayley, Sheila Hughes, Cathy McQueen, Maureen and Peter, baby Robin, David Sheppard, Roger and Pat Boyes and Noreen Reeve.
- We pray for those who have died recently, remembering Stephen Wheatley.
- We pray for all who mourn the loss of a loved one, especially the family and friends of Stephen Wheatley.
- We also remember all those whose anniversaries fall at this time. May they all rest in peace and rise in glory.
- We pray for all the people in the parishes of Great Barton and Thurston.
- We pray for everyone and everything experiencing any pain or suffering of any kind. We pray that we become free of our burdens.



Visit to RHS Gardens Wisley

Join our coach excursion on Thursday June 15th 2023 to RHS Wisley and enjoy the beautiful gardens and all they have to offer, the garden centre and other retail opportunities as well as a variety of eateries. We will travel by Mulleys coach with WC facilities and will depart at 7.30am from Great Barton Village Hall, where parking is available, returning from Wisley at 4.30pm. The cost of COACH ONLY, will be £32.50, and you will purchase your own entry tickets on arrival. (RHS members free) To book and pay for your place on the coach please contact either,
Mary Edwards, Email: marywindrush@yahoo.com
or
Sarah Robinson, Email: spandj@icloud.com

Invigilators – St Benedict's Catholic School £10.79 plus holiday pay

We are looking for reliable and responsible persons who are available to work during the exam season (May and June). The ideal candidate will be flexible; have effective communication skills; and be able to remain calm and confident while invigilating our students during external exams, mock exams and controlled assessments. This is a casual post with variable days and times throughout May, June and into July.

Applicants will need to complete a DBS check and provide references. In return, you will be supported by a successful and collaborative staff and be part of a school highly regarded for its academic success and supportive atmosphere.
<https://www.st-benedicts.suffolk.sch.uk/vacancies> or talk to Caroline Edwards