

## 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, donations for Great Barton can be left at Holy Innocents church or with Tim Frost at 2, Diomed Drive, Great Barton.

### Christian Aid Appeal

#### **Christian Aid**

It would be appreciated if any remaining Christian Aid donations could be returned to me or the Church Wardens during the next few days so that banking can be done and funds deployed by Christian Aid.

Grateful thanks to all those who helped at the plant sale and all those who generously made purchases. Receipts so far total £254, including raffle £38. There are still plants available for sale for this cause for anyone who still wishes to buy.

Barbara Sanwo

Christian Aid rep, Thurston

### Christian Aid Lunch and "Do It Yourself Entertainment"

Sunday, 11 June, 12:00, the Church Institute, Gt. Barton  
Salad Buffet - Donation to Christian Aid

If you would like, bring a musical item, poem, etc. to share.

**Please ring Linda Scoles to book lunch. (01359) 230392**

**Just a reminder, that following the splendid refurb of our porch at St Peter's, Jigsaws are again available to be bought or swapped, at a suggested donation of £2.00  
Thank you Churchwardens.**

Please email any notices to Pat Sadler [patsadler@hotmail.com](mailto:patsadler@hotmail.com) by Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> June 23  
01359 230865 or 07552 234443

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The Benefice of  
Holy Innocents, Great Barton & St Peter's, Thurston

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**Sunday 28th May**

**Pentecost Whit Sunday**



**Readings (NRSV please)**

**10.30am H.C. Acts 2: 1-21 Jn 7:37-39**

**Evening Song Gen 11:1-9 Acts 10: 10-end**

### **Collect**

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,  
ignite in us your holy fire;  
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,  
revive your Church with the breath of love,  
and renew the face of the earth,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**Rev'd Ben Edwards**

email [revdbenjaminedwards@gmail.com](mailto:revdbenjaminedwards@gmail.com) or call 07522 396397

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

Margery Ashford 01359 231007 or 07443 414622

### Services for this week

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May**

Pentecost

Holy Communion (BCP) at Holy Innocents, Great Barton at 8.30am

Benefice Holy Communion (CW) at St Peter's, Thurston at 10.30am

Choral Evensong at St Peter's, Thurston at 6.30pm

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May**

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

### Services for next week

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

Trinity Sunday

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

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

Memorial Service for Stephen Austin at St Peter's, Thurston at 2.00pm

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

Holy Communion (CW) at St Peter's, Thurston at 10.30am

### 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](mailto:kathy@drakesfamily.org)). Requests are only shared confidentially between the vicar and the prayer team.

### **The Annual Parochial Church Meeting for Holy Innocents Great Barton**

We have been able to re-arrange our Holy Innocents APCM for **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 2 pm** in the Church Institute, and all being well, Fr. Ben will be able to lead it. We would be very pleased to see you. As we have said before, we will be reviewing the Church's past year and all its activities, electing our Churchwardens, PCC members and Deanery Synod representatives, and looking forward to the coming year and what God is calling us to do. More details are on our website.

**Jane Dalton Secretary**

**"Fr Ben** - I would like to thank all those who have been praying for his recovery from illness, sent well-wishing messages and dropped a gift round to the Vicarage - it has really helped!  
I am feeling much better, but still suffering from viral fatigue, so pacing myself. Thank you all for your patience."

### 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, David Sheppard, Roger and Pat Boyes, Noreen Reeve and Kevin Scoles
- We pray for those who have died recently.
- We pray for all who mourn the loss of a loved one.
- We also remember all those whose anniversaries fall at this time. May they all rest in peace and rise in glory.
- We pray for Rev'd Ben, that he may be healed and able to return as soon as possible.
- We pray for our troubled world, that peace may overcome conflict.



### **Visit to RHS Gardens Wisley**

Join our coach excursion on Thursday June 15<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:marywindrush@yahoo.com) or Sarah Robinson, Email: [spandj@icloud.com](mailto:spandj@icloud.com)

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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/>