

The Benefice of  
Holy Innocents, Great Barton & St Peter's, Thurston  
[www.greatbartonandthurston.org.uk](http://www.greatbartonandthurston.org.uk)

**Sunday 17th September**

**The 15th Sunday after Trinity**



**Readings (NRSV please)**

**8.30am: Rom 14: 1-12. Mt 18: 21-35**

**10.30am: Gen 50: 15-21. Rom 14: 1-12. Mt 18: 21-35**

**Choral Evensong at 6.30pm: Isa: 44: 24-45.8. Rev 12: 1-**

**Collect**  
**Lord God,**  
**defend your Church from all false teaching**  
**and give to your people knowledge of your truth,**  
**that we may enjoy eternal life**  
**in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen**

**Rev'd Ben Edwards**  
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**Ben's time off is Friday pm and Saturdays.**

**Churchwardens**

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**Services for this week**

**Sunday 17th September**

**Holy Communion (BCP) at Holy Innocents at 8.30am**

**Together Family Church at Thurston Primary School at 10.00am**

**Benefice Communion Service (CW) at Holy Innocents at 10.30am**

**Choral Evensong at St Peter's at 6.30pm**

**Wednesday 20th September**

**Holy Communion (BCP) at St Peter's at 10.30am**

**Services for next week**

## **Sunday 24th September**

**Harvest Festival Holy Communion at St Peter's at 10.30am**

## **Wednesday 27th September**

**Holy Communion (CW) at Holy Innocents at 10.30am**

### **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, Cathy McQueen, Maureen and Peter, David Sheppard, Roger and Pat Boyes, Noreen Reeve, Kevin Scoles and Maureen Andrews.
- We pray for those who have been affected by the earthquake in Morocco.
- We pray for the people of Libya, who are experiencing terrible flooding at the moment
- We pray for those who have died recently, May they rest in peace and rise in glory.
- 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 the people of Great Barton and Thurston.

# **BANGERS AND BINGO**

**Saturday, 4 November**

**The Church Institute**

**6:00/6:30 £10.00**

**Reservations RING Molly:  
(01284) 787 621**

## **Message from Kathy Drakes**

As many of you may know I am coming to the end of my Reader Training. All being well I am due to be Licensed in the Cathedral on the afternoon of Sunday 24th September, the service beginning at 3.30pm. I would love to share this moment with all of you. There will be unreserved seating in the nave for guests, and there is no restriction on numbers. The Cathedral will be open for seating from 3.00 pm.

For those of you who are unable to attend the service will be live streamed from [www.facebook.com/stedscathedral/posts](http://www.facebook.com/stedscathedral/posts) .

Afterwards I would like to invite you all for a drink and refreshments in the Church Institute in Great Barton.

Thank you all for your ongoing support and I look forward to serving you as a Reader.

**Kathy Drakes**

*St Peter's invites you to:*

*Join in with our very special online event*



Simply click on

<https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/stnicholashospice> or use the QR code below **between Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September and Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October** to view an amazing range of lots worth between £10 and £1100. Whether you are looking for pre-Christmas treats, presents or family experiences, there is something for all.

**All proceeds will go to St Nicholas Hospice in its 40<sup>th</sup> year. As a thank you to St Peter's for organising this, a sponsor will make a separate, extremely generous donation to our Coronation Year fundraising programme for the next generation.**

*Thank you for your support*



## **Harvest Festival**

**At St Peter's, Thurston on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September and  
at Holy Innocents, Great Barton on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October  
with a Harvest Service of Holy Communion.**

**Please bring non-perishable Harvest gifts which will be donated to  
the local foodbank, Storehouse.**

**All Welcome**

**St Martin's Voices Concert Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at  
7.00pm at St Peter's Church, Thurston. (They are from  
the famous St Martin's-in-the-Field, London.)**

**If you would like tickets to the concert please follow the  
link below to the St Martin's website:**

**[https://www.stmartin-in-the-fields.org/calendar/st-  
martiins-voices-in-concert-st-peters-church-thurston/](https://www.stmartin-in-the-fields.org/calendar/st-martiins-voices-in-concert-st-peters-church-thurston/)**

**Then on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> in church 10.30am-1.30pm  
A Choral Workshop by St Martin's Voices from St  
Martin-in-the-Fields, London.**

**Registration 10.00am, Workshop 10.30am-12.30am  
followed by refreshments. At 1.00pm Short Harvest  
service including music prepared in the workshop. Cost  
£5.00 including refreshments.**

**If you wish to attend please email [beneficepr@gmail.com](mailto:beneficepr@gmail.com)  
for an application form.**

## Cake Stall Thankyou

**Thank you to everyone who helped with the cake stall either providing things to sell or manning it.  
Thank you to the people who helped with the bike ride too.**

**Mary Fawcett**

## A Special Thanks

**A special thanks to all those who volunteered their help at the Flower Festival. We especially thank the flower arrangers; the displays looked amazing.**

**We made over £900 for church funds which we are very pleased with.**

**Again, many thanks.**

**Churchwardens, Pat and Margery.**



**THE MEETING POINT  
COMMUNITY CAFÉ**

At The Church Institute,  
The Street,  
Great Barton

OPENING TIME:  
EVERY WEDNESDAY  
11.00AM – 1.30PM  
LUNCHES SERVED FROM 12.00 NOON

**All Welcome!**  
A Great place to meet up with friends for lunch or to relax and enjoy a Tea or Coffee with a slice of Cake.

Come and join us for FREE  
Tea and Coffee.

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We serve Homemade  
Cakes, freshly prepared  
hot lunches to order.

**Baked.**



# **Together Family Church**

**Join us for this monthly family-orientated church service and learn more about God, your family and you!**

**Breakfast, Songs, Crafts & Prayer**

**TOGETHER FAMILY CHURCH**  
**ALL ONE IN CHRIST**

**Every 3rd SUNDAY  
@ Thurston Primary**

**10am for 1030 start (40mins)**





### 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

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.

**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.

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](mailto:patsadler@hotmail.com)  
by **Thurs 21st September**  
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