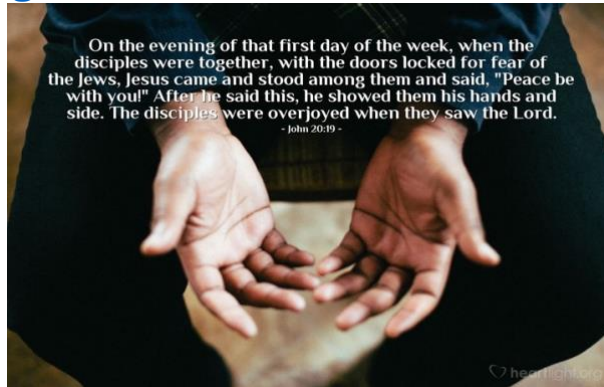


**The Benefice of
Holy Innocents, Great Barton & St Peter's, Thurston**

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Sunday 7th April

First Sunday after Easter

8.30am Holy Communion at St Peter's. Acts 4: 32-35. John 20: 19-end

**10.30am Benefice Sung Eucharist at Holy Innocents. Exodus 14: 10-end. Acts 4: 32-35.
John 20: 19-end**

COLLECT

**Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good of others
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father.**

Amen

Rev'd Ben Edwards

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Ben's time off is Friday pm and Saturdays.

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Services for this week

Sunday 7th April:

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

Benefice Sung Eucharist at Holy Innocents at 10.30am

Wednesday 10th April:

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

Services for next week

Sunday 14th April:

Benefice Sung Eucharist at St Peter's at 10.30am

Choral Evensong at Holy Innocents at 6.30pm

Wednesday 17th April:

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, Mary Gould, Ian Baxter, Hayley, Cathy McQueen, Maureen and Peter, David & Pat Sheppard, Roger and Pat Boyes, Noreen Reeve, Alida Scoles, Deidre and Derek Caley, Kathleen Sewter, Chris Blades.
- We pray for the aid workers killed in Gaza and those who mourn them.
- We pray for the victims and families affected by the Earthquake in Taiwan
- We pray for those who are experiencing ill health especially King Charles & Catherine Princess of Wales.
- We pray for those who are suffering famine and conflict.
- 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 those helping to bring aid into Gaza.
- We pray for those who can only see darkness, may they see light for the future.
- We pray for the people of Great Barton and Thurston.

Holy Innocents' A P C M Tuesday 16th April at 7 p.m.

Holy Innocents' Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Tuesday 16th April in the Church Institute, preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7 p.m. We will be presenting the Electoral Roll, Annual Report and Accounts, reports on various Church organisations, as well as electing PCC members and Deanery Synod Representatives, and electing Churchwardens and an Assistant Churchwarden at our Annual Parish Meeting. Do come – your presence at the meetings would be greatly valued. Nomination forms for these positions are available at the back of the church. If you want to explore the idea of one of these posts, please contact Fr. Ben at revdbenjaminedwards@gmail.com, tel. 07522 386387, or Jane Dalton, PCC Secretary at jane.dalton648@gmail.com, 01284 788613, or have a word when you see them. As regards Churchwardens, do contact Tim Frost on 01284 787442 or 07840 249448, or Angela Pearce on 01359 230395

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting for St Peter's Church Thurston.

This will be held in the Church on **Tuesday 23rd April at 7.30 pm**. The Annual Vestry meeting in the Church at 7.00pm precedes it. All are welcome.

There will be a small number of vacancies to serve on the church council (known as the PCC – our trustees). This is a really good way to help shape the future direction of your parish: do speak to Rev'd Ben, Pat or Margery if you are interested and would like to find out more.

Nomination forms for PCC members can be found at the back of the church.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Can you help?

Can you spare time once a month to help keep our lovely church, St Peter's, Thurston, clean. We desperately need helpers to join the present small band of cleaners. Any time you can give will be gratefully appreciated.

We would love to hear from you. Please contact Pat 07553 234443 or Margery 07443 414622

Many thanks

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/>

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

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 Peter Robinson beneficepr@gmail.com
or tel: 07814946841 by **Thursday 11th April 2024**

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