

## 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.

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.



**THE MEETING POINT COMMUNITY CAFÉ**

At The Church Institute, The Street, Great Barton

OPENING TIME  
EVERY WEDNESDAY, 11.00AM – 1.30PM

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. \*\*\*\*\*  
We also serve Homemade Cakes, freshly prepared lunches to order.

**Baked.**

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 13<sup>th</sup> July** 01359 230865 or 07552 234443

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

**Sunday 9th July**

**The Fifth Sunday after Trinity.**



**Readings (NRSV please)**

**Rom 7: 15-25 Mt 11: 16-19, 25-end.**

**Evening Song Deut 24: 10-end Acts 28: 1-16**

### **The Collect**

Almighty God,  
send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel Your countless gifts of grace;  
through 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 9<sup>th</sup> July**

**Benefice Service, Sung Eucharist at St Peter's, Thurston at 10.30am**  
**Choral Evensong, at Holy Innocents, Great Barton at 6.30pm**

#### **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July**

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

### Services for next week

#### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July**

**Holy Communion (BCP) at Holy Innocents, Great Barton at 8.30am**  
**Together Family Church at Thurston Primary Academy, Breakfast at 10.00am followed by 10.30am service.**  
**Benefice Service ,Holy Communion (CW) at Holy Innocents, Great Barton at 10.30am**  
**Choral Evensong at St Peter's, Thurston at 6.30pm**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July** Holy Communion (BCP) 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

#### **The Week Ahead**

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July Mothers Union at The Victoria from 12.30pm for our seniors lunch.**

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July Summer Draw Club at St Peter's 2.30pm-4.00pm**

#### **Dates for the Diary**

**9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> September Flower Festival at St Peter's Church, Thurston**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> September 7.00pm St Martin's Voices Concert at St Peter's Church, Thurston**

(More details for both events to follow.)

### 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 the people of Great Barton and Thurston.
- We pray for children throughout our world. We pray for their safety, especially those who are living through wars. Lord bless all children in your care.
- We pray for all people who are struggling with their mental health, those who are sick and in hospital. Lord be close by them in their hour of need.
- On this Seafarer Sunday a prayer for all who sail on our seas.



#### **Prayer for all seafarers**

**Forgive us when we forget how much we owe them  
and may we rejoice in the skills and courage they bring to their calling.  
Never leave or forsake them but go with them as they sail the lonely seas,  
And bring them safely home to those who love them.  
Through Christ our Lord.**

**Amen**

**Holy Innocents will once again purchase Bibles for those leaving Great Barton Primary this year.** We will again provide the Children of God Storybook Bible by the late Archbishop Desmond Tutu -a book brimming with wonderful artwork and beautiful words. If you would like to contribute to the purchase of a Bible, cost £10, for children heading on to secondary school, please let Fr Ben or Kathy Drakes have your donation and indicate if you would be willing for the tax to be recovered on the amount. Thank you.