

Benefice Events & Notices



Jam Jar Appeal at St Peter's - Please bring your jars of pennies to church before the end of January, when the coins will be blessed at the earliest opportunity in a February service. Thank you all for your support and please carry on collecting. Jars are available at the back of church.



Coffee Morning Rota for St Peter's – If you are able to host one of the monthly coffee mornings please sign up on the rota which is at the back of church. We thank you in anticipation of your kindness.
Irene & Pat



To commemorate 75 years since the end of World War 11 in Europe, Holy Innocents have agreed to mark the occasion by asking the parish to support the purchase a life-sized 'Tommy' Silhouette. An appeal has been launched and it is hoped the 'Tommy' Silhouette with Poppy, will be in place in the churchyard ready for the May commemoration. The cost is £850.

'Contributions can be made via Bank payment transfer to **Great Barton**

Church Sort Code 20-16-12, Account 50421944. Cheques may be made

payable to Great Barton Church and sent to Tim Frost, 2 Diomed Drive, Great Barton, IP31 2TF. Please mark all payments with 'Tommy'. Any surplus funds will be added to the Fabric Fund of Holy Innocents Church. If you are a tax-payer, please ask for a Gift Aid form which will increase your donation by 25%. Thank you for your support.'

Dates for the Diary

19th January – Benefice Café Church at the Church institute Great Barton 9.00am
Also Special Benefice Evensong with the Jubilate Choir at 6.30pm.

26th January – Special Sacred Space for Candlemas at St Peter's at 6.30pm.

Montana Care Home for the Elderly –we are looking for a **night carer** and would be very pleased to hear from anyone interested. (We were awarded an Outstanding grading for our care in our last CQC Inspection.) Please contact Sr. Thaya Moses, at 01284 787321.

Our website is www.montanacarehome.com

Please email any notices to Pat Sadler patsadler@hotmail.com 01359 230865 by Thurs 9th Jan



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The Benefice of Holy Innocents, Great Barton & St Peter's, Thurston www.greatbartonandthurston.org.uk

5th January 2020

Holy Innocents Patronal Festival

Welcome to our Churches - please stay for refreshments and a chat following the service!



The Collect

Heavenly Father, whose children suffered at the hands of Herod, though they had done no wrong: by the suffering of your Son and by the innocence of our lives frustrate all evil designs and establish your reign of justice and peace;
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**

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, in your humility you have stooped to share our human life with the most defenceless of your children: may we who have received these gifts of your passion rejoice in celebrating the witness of the Holy Innocents to the purity of your sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;
for you are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen**

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Manette's day off is usually Monday.

Today's Services

Holy Innocents Gt Barton

St Peter's Thurston

8.00am Holy Communion(BCP)

Readings: 2 Cor 8: 9

Jn 1(1-9)10-18

10.30am Benefice Holy Communion at Holy Innocents

Readings: Jer 31: 15-17

1 Cor 1: 26-29

Mt 2: 13-18

4.00pm Come and Celebrate Epiphany Carol Service for the Benefice followed by soup & rolls & taking down of Christmas trees.

Next Sunday's Service

8.00am Holy Communion(BCP)

Readings: Acts 10: 34-43

Mt 3: 13-17

10.30am Parish Communion

Readings: Isa 42: 1-9

Acts 10: 34-43

Mt 3: 13-17

10.30am Plough Sunday Service

Readings: 1 Cor 9: 6-14

Mt 6: 25-end

With all the colds and infections that are doing the rounds, if you are not feeling 100%, could you please dip your wafer into the wine rather than sharing the chalice when coming up for Communion? Thank you. Rev'd Manette.

The Week Ahead

Tuesday 7th January 7.30pm

The Evening Advent Group will meet at 27 Diomed Drive, Great Barton.

We will be looking at week 5.

Wednesday 8th January 10.00am

Midweek service of Holy Communion (BCP) at St Peter's

Wednesday 8th January 2.30-4.00pm

Advent Group, studying chapter 5, at the Vicarage

Please note that the final one, chapter 6, will take place on 29th January.

Thursday 9th January 12.30pm

Funeral of Jean Russell at West Suffolk Crematorium (Abbey Chapel)

Praying for our Benefice



We pray for:

- All those who have asked for our prayers and their families: Giles, Andrea, Jack and Hilda Murray.
- We pray for those who have died recently, David Penistone, Ingeborg Briffa, Jean Russell and Dorothy Howard.
- We pray for all who mourn the loss on a loved one, especially praying for John Howard and Anne Penistone, and we remember all those whose anniversaries fall at this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.
- We pray for all the people in the parishes of Gt Barton and Thurston.
- We pray for all in the teaching profession and for all pupils, as they begin a new academic year.
- We pray for the people in Australia as the bushfires continue to rage and they face dangerous days ahead.
- We pray for the people in the Indonesian capital of Jakarta as flash folds have claimed lives and caused untold devastation.

M.U. Prayer

Almighty God and heavenly Father,
we pray for the safety of those sheltering
from fires and those fighting fires in Australia,
for livestock, native animals,
bush lands and sacred places.

We remember our own loved ones
and those who are dear to us facing this crisis.

This we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Please note the 10.00am Midweek Service of Holy Communion on Wednesday 22nd January at St Peter's has unfortunately been cancelled. This is due to Rev'd Manette having to officiate at a funeral at St Peter's.

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