

**The Benefice of
Holy Innocents, Great Barton & St Peter's, Thurston**
<https://www.greatbartonandthurston.org.uk>



Sunday 15th June 2025
Trinity Sunday

8.30am: Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31. John 16: 12-15.

10.30am: Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31. Romans 5: 1-5. John 16: 12-15.

Readings: NRSV please.

COLLECT

**Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.**

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 15th June: Trinity Sunday

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

Benefice Holy Communion at Holy Innocents at 10.30am

Wednesday 18th June:

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

Services for next week

Sunday 22nd June:

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

Wednesday 25th June:

Holy Communion (CW) at Holy Innocents at 10.30am

Praying for our Benefice

We pray for:-



- Norman Blades, Daloni Peel, Rev'd Steph, Betty Blades, Alexander, Ian Baxter, Hayley, Cathy McQueen, Maureen and Peter, Tom, Noreen Reeve, David Sheppard, Roger and Pat Boyes, Silvia, Deidre and Derek Caley, Kathleen Sewter, Jill Cooper, David and Mary Edwards.
- We pray for those who have died in the Air India plane crash. We pray also for the Family and friends of those killed and injured.
- We pray for those killed in the shootings in Austria. We also pray for their Families and friends.
- We pray for the recently departed, and those who mourn their loss.
- We pray especially for the family and friends of John Fordham and Terry Ridgwell.
- At the end of our days on earth be with us and with those we love, and may those who have gone before us rest in your eternal peace.
- Comfort and heal those who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit, and give them courage and hope.
- We pray for all the people in our parishes of Great Barton and Thurston. May they be aware of neighbours in need.
- We pray for ourselves that we may show loving kindness to everyone.

We are sad to announce the death of John Fordham, of Great Barton, who passed away on 5th June. John's funeral will take place at Holy Innocents on 1st July at 1.00pm

Also, the death of Terry Ridgwell, of Thurston who passed away 10th June. We will communicate the funeral details for Terry at a later date.

We express our sincere condolences to the Family and Friends of John and Terry.

Thank you

A huge thank you to all who joined the recent work party to tidy St Peter's Churchyard.

Your help is really appreciated.

Churchwardens

Pat & Margery



Garden Party

In aid of St Peter's Church

at

22, Birch Road, Thurston

15th July 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Tickets £10 (only 20 available)

Call Margery on 07443 414622

Lucky ticket number prize

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The July Draw Club will be drawn on the day



St Peter's Church Thurston
Flower Festival 13th and 14th September 2025
Theme 'For the Beauty of the Earth'

Competition for Children - 12" Plate Garden
More details to follow.
Churchwardens Pat & Margery



Learn to sing for FREE!

JOIN OUR CHURCH CHOIR!

For over 500 years, there has been a robed Church choir singing at the Parish Church in Great Barton. This very friendly group meets every Friday evening at 7.30pm at the Church, and newcomers are made most welcome.

We sing a wide range of music.

Singing in a church choir for younger members has been proven to increase intelligence, reading skills, confidence, as well as being great fun. They can also earn medals from the Royal School of Church Music. Older members also gain from proven improvements in Posture, breathing, lower blood pressure, and general well-being. You will also make new friends.

It is totally free of charge to join the church choir, and everything is provided. You can just pop along and give it a go without obligation. No previous experience of singing is needed!

For further information on the Church choir give Margaret a ring on 01284 788196, or just come along any Friday evening or chat to any member of the choir after any Church service.



Please, join the action #standwithUkraine
Saturday 21st June 2025

Angel Hill 11:00-12:00

Please, stand with us to show
your support for Ukraine and to
let people know that the struggle
continues.

*We dream we'll hear -
"Wake up, we've won!"*



Lark Rise Retreats
invite you to join a
pilgrimage to



Iona

**Saturday 29th May – Saturday 5th
June 2027**



For more details & to book please
speak to Catherine, Penny or Jane or
visit www.larkriseretreats.org or call
01394 284213

Great Barton and Thurston Benefice Services **July 2025**

Wednesday 2nd July:

Holy Communion (CW) at Montana Chapel at 11.15am

Sunday 6th July:

Sung Eucharist at Holy Innocents at 10.30am

Choral Evensong at St Peter's at 6.30pm

Wednesday 9th July:

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

Sunday 13th July:

Sung Eucharist at St Peter's at 10.30am

Choral Evensong, at Holy Innocents, at 6.30pm

Wednesday 16th July:

Holy Communion (CW) at Holy Innocents at 10.30am

Sunday 20th July:

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

Benefice All Age Communion (CW) at Holy Innocents, at 10.30am.

Wednesday 23rd July:

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

Sunday 27th July:

Benefice Holy Communion at St Peter's at 10.30am.

Wednesday 30th July:

No Service

(CW Common Worship, BCP Book of Common Prayer)

Benefice of Holy Innocents Great Barton & St Peter's Thurston.
"Our vision is to create a safe and nurturing environment for all, reflecting God's love and justice. We are committed to excellent safeguarding practices, ensuring our church is a place where everyone, especially the most vulnerable, feels protected and valued. This commitment is integral to our Christian mission and ministry, enabling us to live out the Gospel message of love, compassion, and wholeness."

To see our Safeguarding documents please follow the link to our website:

<https://www.greatbartonandthurston.org.uk/>

St Peter's

Jigsaws are again available, to be bought or swapped, from the porch, at a suggested donation of £2.

There is also a big selection inside the church for you to browse.

Thank you

Churchwardens Pat & Margery

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.

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 Peter Robinson beneficepr@gmail.com
or tel: 07814 946841 by **Thursday 19th June 2025.**

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