NEWS for the PEWS

The Weekly Newsletter for the Earsham Benefice

We warmly welcome you to our church today.
If you are a visitor or newcomer to our church, please sit anywhere,
enjoy the worship and stay for coffee which is usually after the service.
Our Benefice vision is for people to come to faith in Christ and for us all to grow in faith and discipleship so that together we offer whole-hearted worship to Christ.
We serve the communities of
Alburgh, Broome, Denton, Ditchingham, Earsham & Hedenham
www.earshambenefice.org.uk

THIS WEEK: 1st before Advent	**22nd November 2026**	**RED**

Alburgh 10.00am ~ Morning Service
Broome 10.00am ~ Holy Communion Service
Denton 9.30am ~ Service at Chapel
Earsham 10.30am ~ Fresh Expressions Café Service

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Ephesians 1 v15-23 **Matthew 25 v31-46** **Sheep and the Goats**

The Collect

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

NEXT WEEK: Advent 1	**29th November 2026**	**RED**

10.00am ~ Benefice Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's Church, Denton
~ Guest Speaker Reverend Kenneth Thom

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Romans 10:12-17 **Matthew 28:16-20** **Mission Aviation Fellowship**

FOLLOWING WEEK: Advent 2	**6th December 2026**	**PURPLE**

Alburgh 9.00am ~ Holy Communion Service BCP
Denton 9.30am/10.00am ~ Family Service
Ditchingham 10.00am ~ Holy Communion Service
Earsham 10.30am ~ Fresh Expressions Café Service
Hedenham 6.00pm ~ Evensong

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Isaiah 40 v 1-11 **Mark 1 v 1-8** **John prepares the Way**



Christmas Tree Festival

5th & 6th December

10.00am to 5.00pm

COME and view the trees at

ALBURGH CHURCH

VOTE for your favourite

(bring change to vote by cash donation)

BUY refreshments

& last-minute gifts

Free Entry

All profits in aid of Alburgh Church

All Saints Church Alburgh IP20 0DA

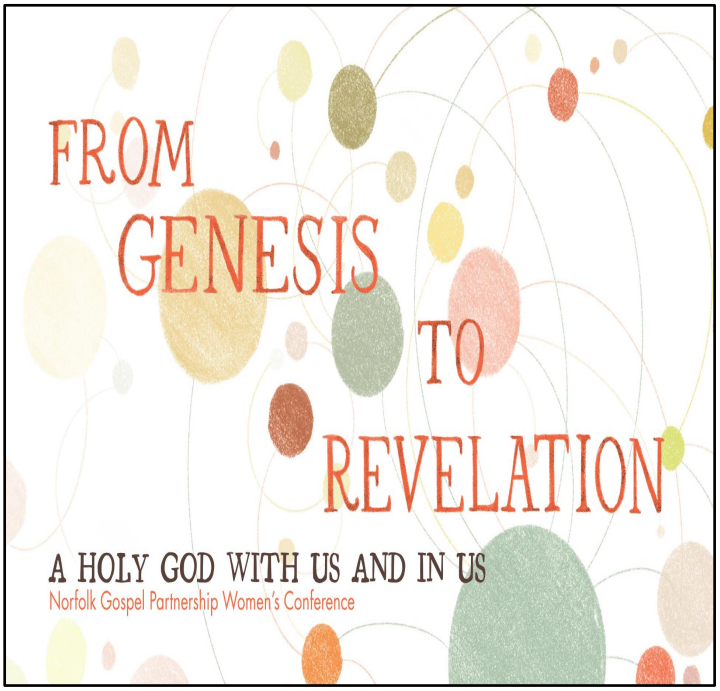
Christmas Tree Festival 2026

This year the Church is holding its 5th Competition and plans to have over 40 entries over the weekend of 5th and 6th December, the Church being open to viewing and voting from 10.00am to 5.00pm each day.

Come and see a wonderful and varied display of Christmas trees – vote for your favourite

Refreshments and produce table
Free entry

Contact Ann 07990 524794/01379 852569
For more information



Join Caroline and Jo at the Annual Women's Conference in Norwich as they join hundreds of women from across the East of England for an inspirational day at the Norfolk Gospel Partnership Women's Conference as we learn from God's word together, sing together, pray, attend seminars on relevant topics, and connect with others. Lunch included. If interested contact Caroline – booking ASAP as sold-out last year.

Saturday 23rd January 2027
9:30am-4pm – £17

Christingle Services 2026

Earsham 6.00pm ~ Tuesday 1st December
Alburgh 4.00pm ~ Wednesday 2nd December
Ditchingham 6.00pm ~ Thursday 3rd December
Broome 3.30/4.00pm ~ Sunday 6th December (Broome Village Hall)



Carol Services 2026

Alburgh 7.30pm ~ Friday 11th December
Broome 7.30pm ~ Tuesday 22nd December
Denton 6.00pm ~ Sunday 20th December
Ditchingham 6.00pm ~ Sunday 20th December
Earsham 6.00pm ~ Wednesday 24th December
Hedenham 4.00pm ~ Sunday 20th December



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Caroline Hutton **01986 895423**

Denton: Local Ecumenical Partnership *part of the Waveney Valley Ecumenical Partnership*
Minister Unavailable

Dates for the Diary

26.11.26: Earsham 1.00pm ~ Funeral Service & Burial re: Richard Allen ~ CH/JP/ZS
28.11.26: ECR ~ Flute booking
29.11.26: Denton 10.00am ~ Benefice Holy Communion Service ~ Guest speaker Reverend Kenneth Thom
29.11.26: ECR 12noon ~ Sew & So's Booking
30.11.26: ECR 9.00am – 5.00pm ~ Sew & So's exhibition

EFEBS (Earsham Fresh Expression Bible Study)

A mostly weekly Bible Study on a **Wednesday 10am-11.30am** in Earsham Church Rooms.
All Welcome to join. Contact Phil or Chris Edwards on 07951 922280 for more info.

Benefice Prayer Meeting

Do join us for our weekly prayer meeting at **6pm** every **Friday**, in the Earsham Church Rooms for 30 minutes.
If you feel uncomfortable praying out loud, you do not have to but can sit and pray in silence.
Contact Jo on 01986 895617 for more information.

Keeping in Touch

If you miss picking up the News for the Pews in Church, the latest copy can be downloaded each week from **www.earshambenefice.org.uk.** For up-to-date information like us on Facebook – search Earsham Benefice or look out for the regular Benefice e-mails. If you don't receive these please e-mail the office with your details.
If you are running an event, please e-mail the Office so that it can be included in the N4P.

Safeguarding

Within the Earsham Benefice we take safeguarding very seriously. If you have a concern about the safety of someone or the actions of a person working with children or vulnerable adults, please speak out and stay safe.
Our Named Safeguarding Officer is Sally Thomson, and she can be contacted on 01986 894494