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: 11th after Trinity

31st August 2025

GREEN

Denton 10.00am ~ Benefice Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's, Denton With guest speakers from Quiet Waters & Reverend Chris Hutton No other services within Benefice

Matthew 11: 28 - 30 + (The Message translation)

Mark 6:30-32

The Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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.

NEXT WEEK: 12th after Trinity

7th September 2025

GREEN

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

Acts 5: 1 – 11

John 8: 39 – 47 9th Commandment 'You shall not give false testimony'

FOLLOWING WEEK: 13th after Trinity

14th September 2025

GREEN

Alburgh 10.00am ~ Holy Communion Service Broome 10.00am ~ Morning Prayer Denton 9.30am ~ Service at Chapel

Earsham 9.00am/10.30am ~ Holy Communion/Fresh Expressions Café Service

Philippians 4: 10-13 Luke 12: 13 – 21 10th Commandment 'You shall not covet'

THE 10 COMMANDMENTS

Why do we say them as part of our traditional Services? Why are they written either side of the Communion Table? What do they mean? Can you name ALL 10? Are they still relevant to us today?



Started with our Benefice Service on the 29thJune at 10am at Broome Church, we will be spending 11 weeks looking at the 10 Commandments for our Summer Preaching Series. How many can you get to?

Ten Commandments

- 1 YOU SHALL HAVE NO OTHER "GODS" BEFORE ME
- 2 YOU SHALL NOT MAKE FOR YOURSELF AN IDOL
- 3 YOU SHALL NOT TAKE THE NAME OF GOD IN VAIN
- 4 REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY TO KEEP IT HOLY
- 5 HONOR YOUR FATHER AND YOUR MOTHER
- 6 YOU SHALL NOT MURDER
- 7 YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY
- 8 YOU SHALL NOT STEAL
- 9 YOU SHALL NOT LIE
- 10 YOU SHALL NOT COVET

Exodus 20:3-17

HARVEST SERVICES 2025

Alburgh 10.00am ~ Sunday 28th September 2025

Broome 10.00am ~ Sunday 12th October 2025

Denton 10.30am ~ Sunday 5th October 2025

Ditchingham 10.00am ~ Sunday 21st September 2025

Earsham 9.00am ~ Sunday 12th October 2025

Hedenham 6.00pm ~ Sunday 5th October 2025

Garden produce sale or swap

Bring your surplus tomatoes, apples, courgettes etc. Any produce welcome and swap or give a donation

Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th September from 10.00 am

<u>in the porch at All Saints Church, Alburgh</u>

All proceeds to Alburgh with Denton Primary Academy
and spare produce to the Waveney Foodbank

The Latest Service Rota has now been released.

The Rota for September – November 2025
is available to download from Benefice website on the front page

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Denton: Local Ecumenical Partnership part of the Waveney Valley Ecumenical Partnership

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Dates for the Diary

31.08.25: Benefice Holy Communion Service ~ 10.00am at St. Mary's, Denton CH + guests from Quiet Waters

07.09.25: Ditchingham ~ 2nd reading Banns re: Jordan Brown & Alice Hansey

13.09.25: Norfolk Churches Trust ~ SPONSORED BIKE, WALK, DRIVE 9.00 - 5.00pm

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 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 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.