

St Botolph's Church

St Edmund's Church





OCTOBER

2/25

Well, what a month September was. Schools starting back up again, Students heading off to University and College, Harvest and of course our Church Fellowship Day!

It was amazing to have about 140 members of our church family come together for the day. I know from chatting to some of those who were there, how encouraging the day was. Both the teaching we had from Joe and Gemma but also the extended opportunity to spend time together, deepening old friendships and forging new ones. And as for the food well I don't know about you, but I didn't need to eat for the rest of the week!

We are so grateful to Graham & Nicola, Joe & Gemma and so many others for all they put into the weekend.

Of course it wasn't just the Saturday, who can forget the baptism service in Church House Garden. The rain held off, which was an answer to prayer! But wasn't it wonderful to hear Josh, Roz and Simona speaking about their faith in Jesus and declaring their desire to follow him and be baptised into this faith. I know many found it very moving.

Confirmation We have a Confirmation Service on 16th November at our 6:30 service.

Rob Munro (Bishop of Ebbsfleet) will be coming to officiate. If you have been to a confirmation service before, you'll know this is another wonderful occasion when people publicly declare their faith in Jesus.

Confirmation is a public affirmation of faith, renewing vows made when baptised - declaring publicly their personal faith and trust in Jesus. For those baptised as babies it's a public declaration that the promises made on their behalf have become their own through repentance and faith in the Lord Jesus.

Isn't it wonderful when, as the Apostle Paul says in Philippians 3:7-8, people find there is nothing bettering in this world than knowing Jesus!

(If you haven't been confirmed and you are interested in being confirmed or just want to talk about it then please talk to Andy or Mark.)

Revd. Andy Clark

The deadline for articles for inclusion in November Newsletter is Sunday 19th October. Please email them to jimroughton@stbots.church

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Follow our website link to watch each Sunday 10.00am services on YouTube live:

https://www.youtube.com/@StBots/featured

Services @ St Botolph's Church, Barton Seagrave & St Edmunds Church, Warkton during September

Thursday 2nd October

11.00am Midweek Morning Prayer

Thursday 9th October

11.00am Midweek Morning Prayer

Thursday 16th October

11.00am Midweek Holy Communion

Thursday 23rd October

11.00am Midweek Morning Prayer

Thursday 30th October

11.00am Midweek Morning Prayer

Sunday 5th October – 16th Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion

10.00am Morning Prayer (Live Stream)

6.30pm Evening Prayer

12noon Morning Prayer @ St Edmunds

5.00pm Evening Prayer @ St Edmunds

Sunday 12th October – 17th Sunday after Trinity

10.00am Morning Prayer (Live Stream)

6.30pm Holy Communion

12noon Holy Communion @ St Edmunds

Sunday 19th October – 18th Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion

10.00am Morning Prayer (Live Stream)

6.30pm Evening Prayer

12noon Morning Prayer @ St Edmunds

Sunday 26th October - Last Sunday after Trinity

10.00am Morning Prayer (Live Stream)

6.30pm Evening Prayer

12noon Holy Communion @ St Edmunds

Important Dates in October

Wednesday 1st Real Change 10.00am in Church (Intro for our morning 6-week course. Sign up on the St Bots website)

1st, 8th & 15th Real Change 7.30pm in Church

1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th LINK

Thursday 2nd Coffee Shop 10.30am in Church House

2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, & 30th 1Eighty

Monday 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th REFRESH 9.30am in Church House

6th Men's Evening 7.30pm in Church House

Tuesday 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th St Bots Tots 9.30am in Church House

7th Church Meets 7.30pm in Church House

Saturday 11th Who Let The Dads Out at 9.00am in Church House

Saturday 18th Saturday Hour of Prayer 9.30am in Church House

Tuesday 21st Natter Night 7.30pm in Church House

 21^{st} Coffee Morning at 10.00am Warton Village Hall

Saturday 25th Lady's Breakfast at 9.15am in Church House

Future Dates for your Diary

Sunday 9th Remembrance Sunday – details to follow.

Sunday 30th November Advent Tea in Church House

NOTICES

Pastoral Care Here at St Botolph's we encourage all regular church attendees to join a homegroup. This will be the principal place where pastoral care is given and received. We also recognise, however, that sometimes circumstances of life mean we need some extra help. Members of our Pastoral Care Team are available to walk with you through a particular problem, area of struggle, pain or suffering. When necessary, they may guide you to more specialized or professional help. Contact the Pastoral Care Team:

 $\underline{care@stbots.church}$

Prayer Corner Please prayer for those in our congregation known to us who are ill or suffering in any way, may they know the peace of God in their lives and have their health restored.

Men @ StBots The next Men's Evening is on the October 6th 7:30 in Church House

For your diary there is Men's Conference @ Moulton parish church on 15th November - watch this space for further information.

Ladies Breakfast Come and enjoy Breakfast and Fellowship together and hear from Debby Palmer about her story of faith on Saturday 25th October in Church House at 9.15am. Tickets £5.00

Booking available via https://stbotolphs.churchsuite.com/events/c5oy0qle or speak to Helen

2025 Westminster Declaration

Some of the choices made by Parliament and others in authority about the nature of human life, family relationships, sex education in schools, end-of-life care, and the use and development of new technologies are having serious consequences. By ignoring Britain's Christian heritage we have endangered human life, weakened society, and created a fragmented nation uncoupled from its formative traditions, and without a unifying vision for its future.

Please will you consider signing the 2025 Westminster Declaration? www.2025westminsterdeclaration.org