

Prayers for when you can't get to Church

Be among us, Lord Christ, as we meet in your name. Inspire all who speak to enlighten our understanding. Give patience to all who listen to discover fresh treasures. Expand our horizons to behold your dawning Kingdom, and grant us the gift of your grace to trust in your providence, now and always.

Amen

God of hope, you hold us all our days. Give us courage to let go of all that would hold us back and weigh us down on our journey. Move us on to embrace the future you lay before us, to step out in faith and trust into the unknown. Calm our fear, and strengthen us for all that is hard to leave and will be missed. Give us grace to rejoice with thankful hearts in your love that is always with us and never loosens its grip; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Baptisms September

Evelyn Robinson,
Sophie Robinson

First Anniversary of Weddings September

Hannah Timms & Jack Colchester.
Hayley Atkins & Trevor Sunderland

For your prayers this week

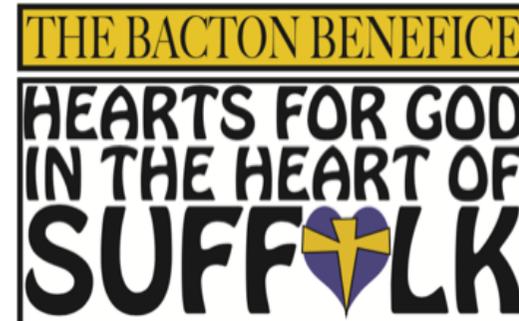
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Welcome to this Issue of the Pew Sheet. During these difficult times our aim is to produce a weekly sheet which follows the normal pattern of prayers and readings that would be heard in our Sunday Service.

We hope it will be a comfort and help, if you are unable to come to Church.

Collect for Benefice Day Trinity 14

Merciful God,
your Son came to save us
and bore our sins on the cross:
may we trust in your mercy
and know your love,
rejoicing in the righteousness
that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Sunday Services - 12th September

9.30am—Bacton
9.30am—Wickham Skeith,
11.00am— Old Newton,
11.00am—Cotton, Harvest Festival

Wednesday - 15th September

10.30am - Bacton, Diddy Disciples

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Readings: Benefice Day Trinity 14

Matthew's Gospel

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the lake. ² Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat in it, while all the people stood on the shore. ³ Then he told them many things in parables, saying: "A farmer went out to sow his seed. ⁴ As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. ⁵ Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. ⁶ But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. ⁷ Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. ⁸ Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. ⁹ Whoever has ears, let them hear."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. ³² Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches."

He told them still another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about sixty pounds of flour until it worked all through the dough."
"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field."
⁴⁵ "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. ⁴⁶ When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it."
⁴⁷ "Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish. ⁴⁸ When it was full, the fishermen pulled it up on the shore. Then they sat down and collected the good fish in baskets, but threw the bad away."

Post Communion Prayer

O Lord God,
who art the source of all truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and in the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Prayer

God's graceful moment

Morning opens wide before us like a door into the light. Just beyond, the day lies waiting ready to throw off the night, and we stand upon its threshold poised to turn and take its flight.

Now the earth in all its glory springs to meet the rising sun, warms to all who walk upon it, cradling all that will be done. All our labour, all our loving mingle and become as one. We receive God's graceful moment, while the day is fresh and still, ours to choose how we will greet it, ours to make it what we will. Here is given perfect freedom, every hope in love to fulfil.

As we take the first step together, passing through the door of the day, May the love of Christ the Creator give us peace in all that we say, heart for all that lies before us, grace to guide us on our way.