

Welcome to e-bulletin for 18th September 2025

Harvest Festivals

Harvest Festival season is underway – three more opportunities to give thanks for God’s bounty and to pray for those who struggle to provide food for themselves or their families:

Worthing St Margaret: Sunday 21st September, 10.30am, followed by refreshments. Donations of non-perishable goods for the Mid-Norfolk Foodbank; collection for Water Aid.

Billingford St Peter: Sunday 21st September, 11am, followed by refreshments and an auction of produce in the Village Hall.

Wood Norton All Saints: Sunday 12th October, 10.30am, followed by refreshments. Donations of non-perishable goods for the Mid-Norfolk Foodbank.



North Elmham St Mary's, 14th September

Going deeper with the Lectionary



Each of the Evangelists has their own unique style. This year, we’re studying Luke, the great storyteller. We’re offering three more sessions looking at the coming Sunday’s gospel reading:

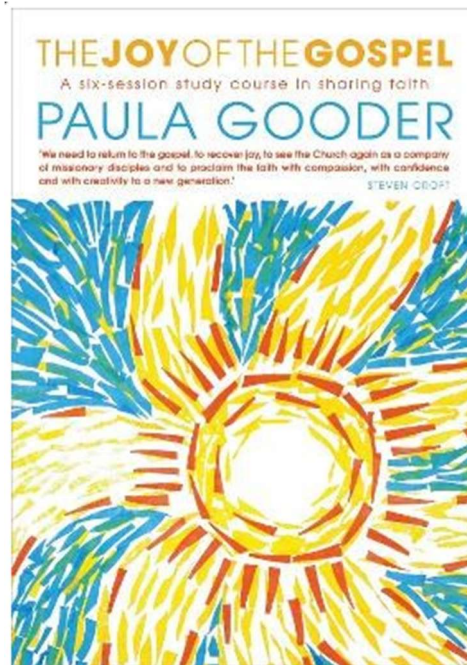
24th September: Luke 16:19-end; *The Rich Man and Lazarus*

8th October: Luke 17:7-19; *Two stories about Gratitude*

22nd October: Luke 18:1-14; *Two Parables on Prayer*

7:30pm - all at Elmham Vicarage, 48 Holt Road, North Elmham, NR20 5JQ.

Meanwhile, we continue our study of *The Joy of the Gospel*. The course enables individuals and groups to rediscover the joy of encountering the good news of Jesus and the transformation that is possible when we communicate that good news in the world today.



Sessions (also Wednesday evenings, 7.30pm, at Elmham Vicarage).

1st October; 15th October; 29th October.

Samaritan's Purse: Operation Christmas Child

Operation [Christmas Child](#) is a project of Samaritan's Purse. It is a hands-on way for you to bless children in need across the world by filling shoeboxes with toys, personal care items, school supplies, and fun gifts.

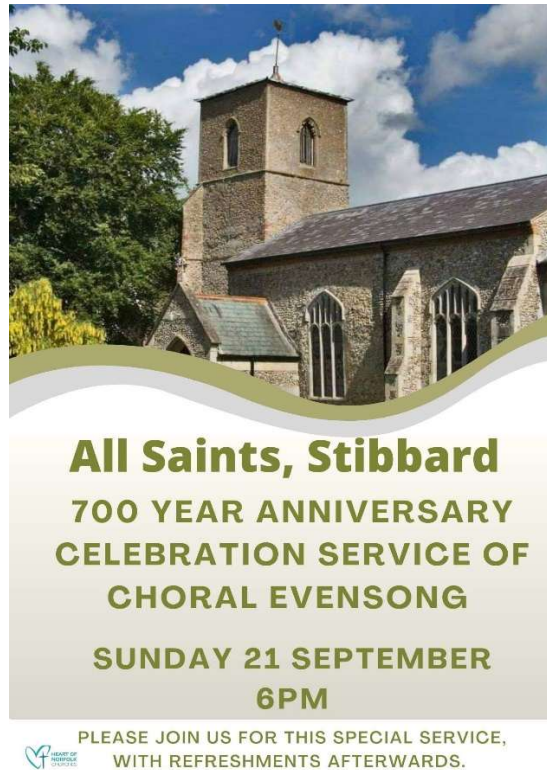


As in previous years, Worthing PCC is coordinating the collection and despatch of filled shoeboxes (wrapped in suitable paper). The deadline is 9th November (Remembrance Sunday). For more information, please contact Celia Daniel on 01362 668928 or email c.daniel784@btinternet.com

News from the Parishes

Stibbard All Saints – 700th Anniversary, 21st September

The origins of All Saints' Stibbard may lie in the 11th century; however, the first Rector of Stibbard was recorded in 1325! Join us for this special Anniversary celebration of Choral Evensong with The Trinity Choir. There will be cake!



Cine Pew... the screen at **All Saints Church, Wood Norton**, presents [Mr Burton](#), on Friday **26th September**, 7.30pm. The story of the wild school-boy Rich Jenkins, son of a boozy miner, and an English teacher who recognized his talent, Philip Burton. A moving, untold story of how Rich Jenkins became Richard Burton - the biggest star Wales has ever produced.

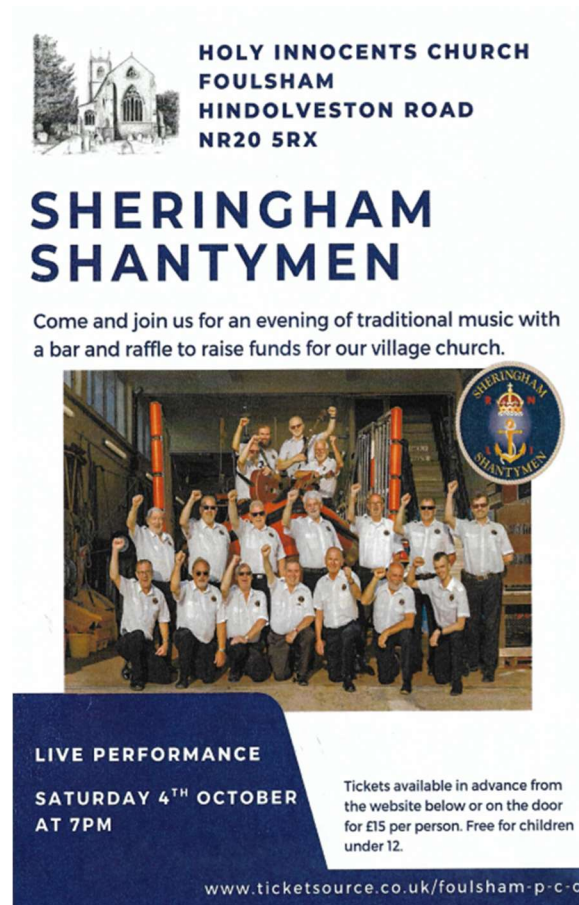
Doors open at 7pm. Light refreshments. Bring your own cushions. Running time 124 mins. There is no charge for this event.

Wood Norton All Saints – Words & Music, Friday 3rd October



All are welcome to come along and participate by bringing (or requesting, via Jenny, 01362 684101 or Neil, 01362 684357), a favourite piece of music, or a reading of your choice. If you prefer, just come and enjoy the interesting miscellany that the event always produces. Doors open for cake and coffee – and conversation- at 10.30.


Foulsham Holy Innocents – Sheringham Shantymen, 4th October



**HOLY INNOCENTS CHURCH
FOULSHAM
HINDOLVESTON ROAD
NR20 5RX**

SHERINGHAM SHANTYMEN

Come and join us for an evening of traditional music with a bar and raffle to raise funds for our village church.



LIVE PERFORMANCE
**SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER
AT 7PM**

Tickets available in advance from the website below or on the door for £15 per person. Free for children under 12.

www.ticketsource.co.uk/foulsham-p-c-c

Tickets £15 per person (under 12s free) from ticketsource or on the door.

North Elmham: T@2, 8th October

Afternoon Tea from 2-4pm at the North Elmham Institute. Cake, sandwiches & savouries; convivial company and music! Come and join us – more information from Jo, 07796 493495.



Wednesday *Come & Join us for T@2* *Afternoon tea*
11th June *from 2~4pm*
9th July *cake, sandwiches,*
(No T@2 in August) *savouries*
10th September *& music! At the*
8th October *North Elmham*
Bring yourself, a *Institute on 2nd*
friend and a *Wednesday of the*
neighbour *month*
Like a lift? Call Tish *All costs covered by*
01362 668 678 *St Mary's Church*
Questions?
Jo 07796493495

Wood Norton All Saints – Café Pew & Pew Mart, Friday 10th October



Come and join us between 12.30 and 2pm for a light informal lunch in the church with a welcoming mixture of company! If you have surplus garden produce, Pew Mart offers the opportunity to buy or exchange fruit and vegetables.

Friends of All Saints' Church Wood Norton - Greek Evening.

Friday 17th October, 7 for 7.30pm.

See the Friends' website for more details:

<http://woodnorton.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/forthcoming>



Wood Norton All Saints – Cine Pew, Friday 24th October

The Autumn season continues with '[Babette's Feast](#)' at 7.30pm. During the late 19th century, a strict religious community in a Danish village takes in a French refugee from the Franco-Prussian War as a servant to the late pastor's daughters. Directed by Gabriel Axel; running length 1h 43m.

Please note that there is no charge for this event, although a small donation towards catering and running costs is always appreciated.

Service of Light and Remembrance, 1st November



A Service of Light and Remembrance, to remember our loved ones who have died, will be held on Saturday 1st November, 4pm, at St Mary's North Elmham. If you would like us to remember someone at the service, even if you can't attend yourself, please email me at heartofnorfolkrector@gmail.com or call 01362 668850. Revd Sally.

Advance notice - Save the date!

Another opportunity for a chinwag and delicious cake!
Come along to the Guist Clock Café on Saturday 15th November.

**Guist Church & HON
Churches are hosting a
coffee and cake meet up!
on Saturday 15 November 2025
10.30am - 12 noon**



**At Guist Clock Cafe - come and meet
old friends, make new ones, eat cake
and support our village shop**

Pay for your own orders - squash and
biscuits provided free for children.




Sunday Service Plan: September & October

21st September	Matthew Apostle & Evangelist	2 Corinthians 4:1-6; Matthew 9:9-13
10:30am	Wood Norton	Holy Communion
10:30am	Worthing	Harvest Morning Praise
10:30am	Bawdeswell*	The 10:30

11.00am	Billingford	Harvest Festival & Auction of Produce
6:00pm	Stibbard	700 th Anniversary Choral Evensong
28th September	15th Sunday after Trinity	1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-end
10:30am	North Elmham	Morning Praise
10:30am	Guist	Holy Communion
10:30am	Bawdeswell*	Holy Communion
10:30am	Foulsham	Holy Communion
5th October	16th Sunday after Trinity	2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10
9:00am	Worthing	Holy Communion
10:30am	North Elmham	Holy Communion
10:30am	Stibbard	Holy Communion
10:30am	Bawdeswell*	Word & Praise
12th October	17th Sunday after Trinity	2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19
10:30am	North Elmham	Iona Holy Communion
10:30am	Wood Norton	Harvest Festival
10:30am	Bawdeswell*	Holy Communion
10:30am	Foulsham	Holy Communion
19th October	18th Sunday after Trinity	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8
10:30am	Wood Norton	Holy Communion
10:30am	Worthing	Iona Morning Praise
10:30am	Bawdeswell*	The 10:30
26th October	Last Sunday after Trinity	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14
10:30am	Guist	Holy Communion
10:30am	North Elmham	Morning Praise
10:30am	Stibbard	Morning Praise
10:30am	Bawdeswell*	Holy Communion
10:30am	Foulsham	Holy Communion

***Bawdeswell Group Sunday Zoom**

ID: 656 174 6525; Passcode: TwKH7n

Or click this direct link [Bawdeswell Group Zoom Link](#)

Wednesdays: 10:30am, Holy Communion, Foulsham Holy Innocents’.

Prayer Calendar: 21st September – Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

Church	
HON Group: Billingford	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.
Stibbard Church, 700 th Anniversary	
Norwich Clergy Conference, 22 nd -24 th September	
World	
Gaza; humanitarian and relief organisations. Ukraine.	
Community	
Sick	

Departed	
Mary Dugdale (Stibbard)	Funeral & burial: Monday 29 th September, 2.30pm, Stibbard All Saints

Church FaceBook pages

Do check parish Facebook pages and the Heart of Norfolk website [calendar](#), with links to events in our Benefice.

Bawdeswell: www.facebook.com/bawdeswell.church

Billingford: www.facebook.com/BillingfordStPeter

Guist: www.facebook.com/standrewsguist

North Elmham: www.facebook.com/northelmhamchurch

Stibbard: www.facebook.com/Stibbardchurch

Wood Norton: www.facebook.com/allsaintschurchwoodnorton

Worthing: www.facebook.com/StMargaretsChurchworthing

Heart of Norfolk Benefice: www.facebook.com/heartofnorfolk

Music at St Mary's N Elmham: www.facebook.com/MusicAtStMarysChurch