

## Welcome to e-bulletin for 7<sup>th</sup> August 2025

The Sunday Service Plan has moved to the end of this bulletin, including new [Zoom](#) details for services at Bawdeswell from Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August.

### YANA: The Bishop's Lent Appeal

A big thank you to everyone who raised money for the Bishop's Lent Appeal 2025. With cake sales, collections, lunches and Lent events, people across the diocese of Norwich raised a magnificent £16,415 for the Norfolk-based farming and rural mental health charity YANA (You Are Not Alone.) The money will help fund its telephone helpline.

The Bishop of Norwich chose YANA for his Lent Appeal this year and presented the grand total to charity founder Melinda Raker and trustee Virginia Edgecombe.



Bishop Graham said: *"Thank you to every single person who held an event, gave their time and money, collected donations or played any part in raising this wonderful sum for YANA. I am so pleased that the Diocese of Norwich is able to help its vital work, standing alongside people struggling with stress or depression and those caring for them."*

### Severals Grange



**Wood Norton Open Garden** at Severals Grange, 3<sup>rd</sup> August. The weather was not on our side on Sunday, with a tremendous downpour just as we were preparing to open! However, a good number of intrepid souls enjoyed the glories of this garden and delicious cakes and refreshments provided by the Wood Norton Team.

Severals Grange is open again on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August, 1-5pm, under the [National Garden Scheme](#).

### [Heart of Norfolk](#) website

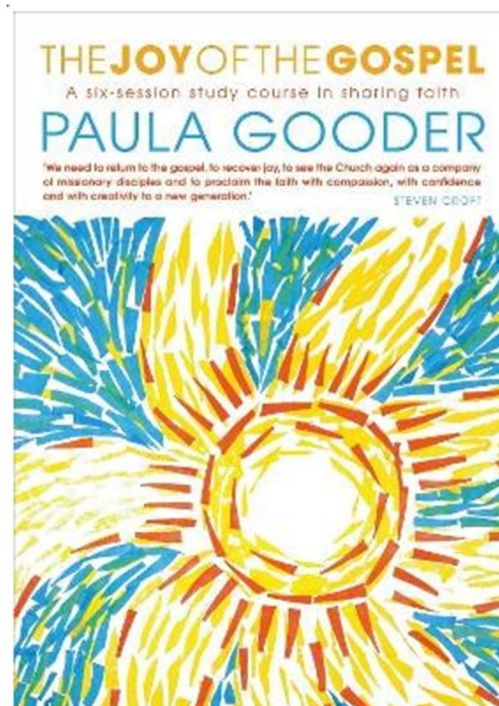


Our website has been given an overhaul and is now [Safeguarding](#) compliant, giving people with any concerns an easy way to raise them and contact our Benefice Safeguarding Officer, [Virginia Edgecombe](#) or the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. Huge thanks to Peter and Sally Norwood for their work on this.

Meanwhile, we're also updating and hopefully improving the overall experience of visiting the [Heart of Norfolk](#) website. We'd welcome your feedback and, of course, any news or events you would like us to share.

### The Joy of the Gospel

This **six-session** 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. Each session includes prayer, a guided reflection on a Bible passage and a framework for exploring one of the key themes of sharing faith, such as its communal nature, the role of the Holy Spirit and the social justice dimension of the good news.



We are planning to run *The Joy of the Gospel* in the Heart of Norfolk Group. Written by Paula Gooder and published by Church House Publishing, £7.99, or available new or used from your favourite online bookstore! Each session is 'stand-alone', so dip in and out as your diary allows.

**Sessions** (Wednesday evenings, 7.30pm, at the Vicarage, North Elmham, NR20 5JQ).  
20<sup>th</sup> August; 3<sup>rd</sup> September; 17<sup>th</sup> September; 1<sup>st</sup> October; 15<sup>th</sup> October; 29<sup>th</sup> October.

Alongside *The Joy of the Gospel*, we're offering five sessions exploring the coming Sunday's Gospel readings (also Wednesdays, 7.30pm at Elmham Vicarage).

**Sessions:**

27<sup>th</sup> August; 10<sup>th</sup> September; 24<sup>th</sup> September; 8<sup>th</sup> October; 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

## Chaos Collective

Over 100 people enjoyed another thrilling concert from Chaos Collective at St Mary's North Elmham on 25<sup>th</sup> July. From the uplifting string quartet by Ravel to Dvorak's sublime quartet, via Adele's Skyfall! Huge thanks to our team of helpers who looked after our guests so beautifully. All-in-all, a wonderful evening.



## Norfolk Churches Trust – Bike-Walk-Drive

The 2025 event is on Saturday **13<sup>th</sup> September!**





Since the Bike Ride started in 1983, an incredible £4.4 million has been raised. A tremendous effort by everyone who has taken part. If you or your Church would like to register for the 2025 event, you can do that [here](#).

## News from the Parishes

### North Elmham: Music at St Mary's

We welcome [Caz Jeffreys](#), bringing music to the heart of the community, to lead a Singing Workshop at St Mary's North Elmham on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> August. Bring your voice, your enthusiasm and water-bottle!

### *'Come and Sing'*

*A workshop led by  
Caz Jeffreys*



*Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> August  
2.30pm until 4pm  
St Mary's Church, North Elmham*

*Leaving collection, donations welcome  
Refreshments available*

## Sunday Service Plan: August

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|-------------------------------|---|--|
| <b>10<sup>th</sup> August</b> | <b>8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>  | Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40    |
| 9:30am                        | Wood Norton                                 | Morning Praise                         |
| 10:30am                       | North Elmham                                | Iona Holy Communion                    |
| 10:30am                       | Foulsham                                    | Holy Communion                         |
| 10:30am                       | Bawdeswell*                                 | Holy Communion                         |
| <b>17<sup>th</sup> August</b> | <b>9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>  | Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56      |
| 10:30am                       | Wood Norton                                 | Holy Communion                         |
| 10:30am                       | Worthing                                    | Iona Morning Praise                    |
| 10:30am                       | Bawdeswell*                                 | The 10:30                              |
| <b>24<sup>th</sup> August</b> | <b>Bartholomew the Apostle</b>              | Acts 5:12-16; Luke 22:24-30            |
| 10:30am                       | Guist                                       | Holy Communion                         |
| 10:30am                       | Stibbard                                    | Morning Praise                         |
| 10:30am                       | Foulsham                                    | Holy Communion                         |
| 10:30am                       | Bawdeswell*                                 | Holy Communion                         |
| <b>31<sup>st</sup> August</b> | <b>11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b> | Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14 |
| 10:30am                       | Worthing                                    | Group 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'.

### Church FaceBook pages

Bawdeswell: [www.facebook.com/bawdeswell.church](http://www.facebook.com/bawdeswell.church)

Billingford: [www.facebook.com/BillingfordStPeter](http://www.facebook.com/BillingfordStPeter)

Guist: [www.facebook.com/standrewsguist](http://www.facebook.com/standrewsguist)

North Elmham: [www.facebook.com/northelmhamchurch](http://www.facebook.com/northelmhamchurch)

Stibbard: [www.facebook.com/Stibbardchurch](http://www.facebook.com/Stibbardchurch)

Wood Norton: [www.facebook.com/allsaintschurchwoodnorton](http://www.facebook.com/allsaintschurchwoodnorton)

Worthing: [www.facebook.com/StMargaretsChurchworthing/](http://www.facebook.com/StMargaretsChurchworthing/)

Heart of Norfolk Benefice: [www.facebook.com/heartofnorfolk](http://www.facebook.com/heartofnorfolk)

Music at St Mary's N Elmham: [www.facebook.com/MusicAtStMarysChurch](http://www.facebook.com/MusicAtStMarysChurch)

### Prayer Calendar: 10<sup>th</sup> August – 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

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| HON Group: North Elmham                                  | Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. |
| World  |   |
| Gaza; humanitarian and relief organisations.<br>Ukraine. |   |