

The Wilford Benefice - Rendlesham Cluster
The Parishes of Rendlesham ~ Eyke ~ Bromeswell ~ Wantisden ~ Tunstall

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NEXT SUNDAY - 27th September
Trinity 17

11am	St. Felix Rendlesham	Holy Communion
6pm	St. Gregory's Rendlesham	Taizé

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday

9-10.30am - Little Saints @ St. Felix 0-5 Stay & Play
 3pm-5.30pm - Just 42 Youth Group in St. Felix

Tuesday:

10:15am-11.30am - Cafe & Top-Up Shop at St. Felix
 5.30pm - 1st Rendlesham St. Felix Rainbows

Wednesday:

2pm - Ladies Group in St. Felix
 5-7pm - Quiet Prayer Time - St. Felix

Thursday:

7pm - St. Felix Church & Community Choir Rehearsing

FOR PRAYER

- May the comforting presence of God bring gentle relief, deep strength, and unshakeable peace to everyone facing terminal illness today. Amen.
- Lord, wrap those who are grieving in your loving arms, and fill their broken hearts with your quiet peace and strength.
- O God of all nations, heal our divisions and bind the world together in lasting peace and harmony.

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 send items for the pew sheet to Rev Greg.

NOTICES & DIARY DATES

Midweek Communion Services in October:
Thursday 1st - 10am & Thursday 15th - 10am

Service of Welcome

Following Charlotte's appointment as Community Outreach Minister, there will be a short service of welcome at St. Andrew's Melton on Sunday 15th November at 3pm, followed by tea and cake. All are welcome to come and join us as we celebrate this exciting time in the ministry of our churches.

Leprosy Mission Christmas Orders

Lynne will be selling Christmas cards in support of the Leprosy Mission on the 2nd & 4th Sunday at St. Felix. Other items from the catalogue are also available to be ordered too.

Celebration of Animals/Pet Blessing Service

September is the beginning of a new season in the church's calendar where we mark the season of creation. As part of this we will be having a **Celebration of Animals Service at St. Felix Church at 2pm on Sunday 4th October** (*weather permitting in the church garden*). Pets are welcome to bring their owners along!

Rev. Judith - 25 Years of Ordained Ministry

Rev. Judith from Hollesley is celebrating 25 years of ordained ministry with a special communion service on Wednesday 30th September, 7pm at All Saints, Hollesley. All are welcome to join her in celebrating.

Looking Ahead - Save the Date!

Saturday 26th September - Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning - 10am-12.30pm - Eyke Village Hall.

Saturday 10th October - 7-9pm - Harvest Supper & Quiz at St. Felix Church. More details to follow.

October 2026 - Harvest and Scarecrow Festival

Saturday 28th November - Christmas Craft & Coffee Morning - St. Felix Church - 10am-12 Noon.

Sunday 29th November - 12-4pm - Christmas Craft Fair at Bromeswell Village Hall

17th December 2026 - Raedwald Brass Ensemble Christmas Concert at St. Felix Church. 7pm.

Readings for Sunday 20th September ~ 16th Sunday after Trinity ~ Green

Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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**

Jonah 3.10- 4 :1-11

A reading from Jonah Chapter 3 beginning at verse 10

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ²He prayed to the Lord and said, 'O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. ³And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.' ⁴And the Lord said, 'Is it right for you to be angry?' ⁵Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. ⁶The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, 'It is better for me to die than to live.' ⁹But God said to Jonah, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?' And he said, 'Yes, angry enough to die.' ¹⁰Then the Lord said, 'You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who

do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?'

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalms 145 : 1-8

1 I will exalt you, O God my King, and bless your name for ever and ever.
2 Every day will I bless you and praise your name for ever and ever.
3 Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; his greatness is beyond all searching out.
4 One generation shall praise your works to another and declare your mighty acts.
5 They shall speak of the majesty of your glory, and I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.
6 They shall speak of the might of your marvellous acts, and I will also tell of your greatness.
7 They shall pour forth the story of your abundant kindness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.
8 The Lord is gracious and merciful, long-suffering and of great goodness.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever Amen

Philippians 1: 21-30

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians Chapter 1 beginning at verse 21

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. ²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you

the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— ³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

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Matthew 20: 1-16

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you O Lord

Jesus said to his disciples, 'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; ⁴and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" ⁷They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard."⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." ¹³But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?"¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

Post Communion

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**