

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

**Dates for the Diary**

Sunday 22nd September	10am	Harvest
Sunday 22nd September	6:30pm	Home Group @ Mill
Wednesday 25th September	11am	Holy Communion
Thursday 26th September	6pm	Meditation
Friday 27th September	7:30pm	Beacon Finance & Fab.
Sunday 29th September	10am	Joint Service @ St Greg
Sunday 29th September	12pm	Bring and Share lunch
Sunday 29th September	6:30pm	Home Group @ Mill

**GENEROSITY WEEK**

St Gregory's is blessed with a very generous congregation; thanks to God for all you provide so willingly. "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

This week is to celebrate YOU and to thank all who regularly give of their time, talents and treasures to our church. But also, a time to take stock realistically at what we do give, how it might be out of date or could be optimised (gift aided). Also to be aware of what it costs to keep our wonderful old building going today and for always, still available as it has been for centuries, as a place of worship.

Even if you regularly give all you can afford, and all of your time that you can manage, still look

carefully at the boards that will be up in church during the Generosity Week. Is there any way you can make your gift go further? Could you join a rota, offer a little of your time or help from home with something? Give a little more, whenever you can?

We are always welcoming more people into the St Gregory's family, so don't be afraid to chat to me about ways you can give Generously this week and going forward.

Blessing and thanks to all  
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Rector: Revd Andrew Doarks

As it is the fourth Sunday, I am unable to share Harvest with you this year, but I have been admiring the wonderful work that has gone in to decorating the church in preparation. The flowers look wonderful, as ever, and I am particularly grateful to Ann Jones for the plaited loaf.

If you read this before coming to the service, do consider bringing tinned produce, in particular, for us to donate to those in need. However, your presence is a gift in itself so don't let a tin deter you!

Andrew

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**TODAY**

Bible Passages

**Proper 20**

First Reading  
Mark 9: 30-37

Second Reading:  
James 3:13 - 4:3,7,8a

Children's work:

Junior Church will be meeting  
in the Vestry

Creche in the north Aisle

QR code to give to the work of  
the church



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All contributions for the  
Newsletter to be received by  
Thursday at 9am for Sunday.  
email  
stgregsnewsletter@gmail.com

Andrew and Claire are not  
available Thursday 12:30- 2pm  
this week at The Rectory.

**The Civic Service** has been moved to  
Sunday 6th October due to Bishop Mike's  
leaving events.  
It will still be at St. Gregory's and still at  
2.30 pm.

**Joint Benefice Service  
29th September**

There will be a **Bring & Share Lunch** in St.  
Gregory's Church following on from the  
Team Service on Sunday, 29th  
September. Each Church will have a  
sign-up sheet at the back for you to let us  
know what dish you can bring. **St.  
Gregory's are "sweets"** and All Saints'  
are "savouries".

**Events at Foxearth Meadows**

Our next **Open Air Service at Foxearth  
Meadows** nature reserve today at 3pm.  
The theme is "Lessons from Noah— the  
first conservationist", and the speaker is  
Professor James Pearce-Higgins (Head of  
Science at the British Trust for  
Ornithology and a member of our  
Steering Group).

**A Quiet Morning** at The Quiet Place at  
Monks Eleigh on Saturday 28 September.

**St. Gregory's Church will be open on  
Tuesdays from 17 September to 22  
October between 11am and 2pm. It is  
always open on a Wednesday from 10-  
12:30pm. We hope to open more days  
soon!**

**Annual Leave**

Claire is on Annual Leave this week

**Choir News**

We sang at Chilton Church for a beautiful  
Harvest Festival last Sunday. Fruits and  
foliage from the countryside filled the  
church. Tea table was decorated with  
breakfast from an earlier time, bringing  
many memories flooding back. We sang  
all the familiar harvest hymns and were  
rewarded with harvest fare and cooling  
drinks. Come and join us this Sunday for  
St Gregory's Harvest time  
Hilly P

In addition, the choir will be assisting in  
the Choir Director interviews this week.

**Time to Pray**

The leaflet for the four weeks from  
Sunday, 15 September 2024, is [here](#)

**Fellowship Group**

Thursday 17th October,– Hannah Powell  
presents an illustrated 'History of  
Perrywood', a family garden centre and  
nursery business.

Thursday 21st November,– we welcome Ryan  
Legg, who will tell us about 'The Storehouse  
Foodbank'

All meetings commence at 2.30pm in the  
Commonlands Room (Ground Floor) at the  
Christopher Centre. Subscription is £3.50 per  
meeting, and includes Tea/Coffee, biscuits  
and a complementary raffle.

**Churches Together  
Prayer Breakfasts**

We meet from 8 to 9.30am for a light  
breakfast, a time of fellowship and a time for  
prayer. Do join us if you can. You will be most  
welcome, whether you have never been  
before, or have not been for a couple of  
years, or are a regular! No prayer breakfasts  
in August

28 September Salvation Army, Sudbury.  
5 October All Saints Church Hall, ,  
12 October Little Cornard Church.

**Harvest at St Mary's Chilton**

Big thank to David Tibbetts Chaplain and  
the St Greg's choir. Beautifully decorated  
and beautifully sung. Next service at St  
Mary's will be in December. Carols by  
Candlelight. Time tbc.

Evensong next month at the earlier time of  
3pm at St Gregory's Church.

**Kettle and Fish**

We will be serving the same delicious food  
and providing the same friendly welcome  
as always, 10am to 1.30pm at Suffolk Road  
Church, next to Aldi.

The dates for the coming weeks are:  
26 September.  
10, 17, 24, 31 October.

Great food, an opportunity to chat, and  
always someone on hand for a  
conversation about the Christian faith or to  
pray with you.

**Hand Bells**

Come and join our free, friendly group. No  
experience necessary. We meet on the 2nd  
Saturday of each month . Next session Sat 12  
October 10am-12pm.  
Contact Sue on 07779854199