

**St Peter and Paul**  
**The Parish Church of**  
**St. Osyth**

**In the Priory Benefice of  
St. Osyth, Great Bentley, Weeley and Little Clacton**

***“SERVING GOD THROUGH  
LOVE, WORSHIP AND WITNESS”***

**Registered Charity Number: 1215560**

**12<sup>th</sup> April 2026**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**

**There will be a 11am Sunday Service.  
Refreshments will be served in the Church room after the Service.**



**The Bible Readings**

**1 Peter 1. 3-9  
John 20. 19-end.**

**CHURCH CONTACTS**

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## The Gospel John 20. 19-end

### **Jesus Appears to the Disciples**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

### **Jesus and Thomas**

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

### **The Purpose of This Book**

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

## Prayers

- † Pray for the worldwide Church; for persecuted Christians and those imprisoned for their faiths.
- † Continue to pray for peace in our war-torn world, asking God to help and protect the innocent, marginalised and vulnerable.
- † Pray that our nation turns to God, so that His kingdom may come to our land, knowing that 'righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people'.
- † Pray for our parish, especially the staff and pupils of St. Osyth School and Pre School, the residents and visitors of Five Stacks and Vyntoner House, our local businesses and for the many social groups.
- † Pray for those in need of healing and long-term prayerful support including: Monica, Ray, Maureen, David, Nina Hatchett, Dominee, Jane Eade, Tiny Harding, Joy and John.
- † Pray for all who have recently passed away, including George Thomas and those who mourn them.
- † Pray for those you know who need to experience the reality of God's grace and peace in their lives.

Please let Chris Pile, email [pile.chris@gmail.com](mailto:pile.chris@gmail.com), know the name of anyone who you would like to be added or anyone who can now be taken off the prayers.

Thank you.

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# \*\*\* NOTICES \*\*\*

## **St Osyth Church**

### *2026 Summer Season Recitals*

The FIRST of our Recital will take place on

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 12.30pm-1.15pm**

When we welcome the wonderful

**SAM BRISTOE**

*Assistant Director of Music at Chelmsford Cathedral*

As always, no ticket is required, and refreshments will be available after the recital. Donations towards the Church Organ and Music fund are gratefully accepted, cash or card.

### **ANNUAL REVISION OF THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL**

This year the revision will be from Sunday  
15th March.

If you are not on our current Roll and would like to consider being added to it, further information about the Roll and application forms are available on the table at the back of the church.

Completed forms can be handed to Chris Pile or left in a sealed envelope on the table.

New applications by 12th April please.

**Note: If your name is on the current Roll, you need do nothing unless you wish to be removed from it or need to make any amendments to your details e.g. change of name/address**

Any queries, please speak to our Electoral Roll Officer, Chris Pile

## **St Osyth Church**

### *2026 Summer Season Recitals*

#### **HELP URGENTLY WANTED**

For the first Recital on  
**FRIDAY 17TH APRIL**

Any help serving drinks or washing up would be gratefully received.

From 11.45 to 13.45

**Or**

Any 30-minute block within that time frame.

If you would like to help please contact Sunny. ☀️



**THANK YOU!**  
*thank you!*

A very grateful

*Thank you*

to our wonderful flower arrangers

Allison Bond, Libby Fisher, Sue White,  
Ivy Jacobs, Val French, Joy Locke and  
Brenda Lord

for the amazing Easter flower displays.

We are so very lucky to have such  
talented people in our Church family.

### **THE PARISH GIVING SCHEME**

Please consider giving to our  
church through this scheme.  
Many of our congregation give in  
this way. It saves you bringing  
cash to services and saves time  
for our treasurers too.

It's a simple and secure way for  
our Church to receive gifts and  
donations by monthly, quarterly  
or annually by Direct Debit.  
You can give anonymously if you  
prefer.

There is no fee payable as the  
diocese covers the admin costs.  
It's also easy to log in and make  
amendments if required.

If you are a UK tax payer, gift  
aid of 25% is added to your  
giving. And we get that back  
straight away too! Win-win.



### **QUARTER PEEL for MARK ROBERTS**

4th April 2026

Tenor: 10–2–15 in G  
1320 Cambridge Surprise Minor  
1 Gina Brown  
2 Anne R Bray  
3 Gillian M Sparling  
4 Richard Cottee  
5 Paul A J Bray  
6 David L Sparling (C)

Rung as a tribute to the late Mark Roberts,  
a ringer and parishioner at this Church on  
what would have been his 90th Birthday  
with his daughters and members of his  
wider family in attendance.

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St Osyth Church would like to express  
their grateful thanks to the six Bell Ringers  
who enthusiastically rang this Quarter Peel  
lasting 45 minutes on Saturday morning.

### **A message from Rev'd. Judith Gibbons**

"We have been asked by the RE  
department at Colne School to help  
them run GSUS Live for the Year 7 to  
Year 9 students. The project is running  
from 27<sup>th</sup> April to 29<sup>th</sup> April.

Very briefly during each session and  
working in pairs, the students discuss  
scenarios that may be resolved from a  
faith-based stance.

Volunteers from local Churches are on  
hand to help the students during the  
scenario section of the session, and at  
the end to answer questions the  
students have arising from the work  
they've been doing."

If you are interested, please speak to  
Rev'd. Sharon, Tony, or email  
[info@stosythparishchurch.co.uk](mailto:info@stosythparishchurch.co.uk)

St. Osyth Parish Church  
**Summer Fayre**

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June

10.00-13.00

In the Churchyard

Stalls cost £20 per table

Tables are limited so book early to avoid disappointment!

If you would like a stall at our Summer Fayre, please contact Sunny Bissenden by  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May

[churchwarden1@stosythparishchurch.co.uk](mailto:churchwarden1@stosythparishchurch.co.uk)

OR text 07719 689051



**THE SALVATION ARMY  
FOOD BANK**

[www.trusselltrust.org](http://www.trusselltrust.org)

Please do keep donating items for the Clacton Food Bank. All donations are always gratefully received, but please make a note of their specific requests below.

- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned/packet Custard
- Long Life Milk
- UHT Fruit Juice
- Instant Mash
- Tinned Sponge Puddings
- Small Jar/packet Instant Coffee
- Hot Chocolate Powder

**FUNDRAISING FOR CHURCH MUSIC  
AND ORGAN FUND**

Do you have an Anniversary or Special Occasion happening this year?

Would you like to dedicate a hymn or Organ Voluntary at the end of the 11am Sunday service?

All you have to do is to let Tony or Sunny know, and Fiona would be very happy make this happen for you!

All we ask for is a small donation to the Church Music and Organ Fund and you will receive a mention on the weekly Pew Sheet.



**PCC MEMBERS**

There will be a PCC Meeting to approve the accounts on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm in the Church Room.

Please do attend.

If you are unable to attend, please can you let Belinda, the PCC Secretary, know.





## ***EASTER FLOWERS***

*In memory of*



Michael Bareham  
 Ron Bone  
 Daisy & Jerry Coote  
 Doreen & Hubert  
 Buckland  
 Alf Butters & Chris Butters  
 Laurie & Olive Buck, Milly  
 & George  
 Laura, Bertie, Leah, Jack &  
 Jim. Alan Clinton  
 Dave Collins & Donna East  
 Vincent Grantham,  
 Anthony Grantham,  
 Margaret Grantham,  
 Richard Grantham, Ben  
 Grantham, Christopher  
 Grantham  
 George Davies, Elizabeth  
 Watson, Sonia Davies  
 Allan & Julia Powell  
 Fred & Joan Turner  
 Gordon, Becky & Thomas  
 Grimwood

Valerie Evans & Peter  
 Sheenan  
 Denny & Doris  
 Handscombe  
 James Hatchett  
 Win & Jim Hatchett  
 Min & Bill Lough  
 Jeff Titford  
 Edward Hutley  
 Arthur & Pat Reed  
 Mary Lord  
 Alan Low  
 June & Kenneth Harnell  
 Edwin & Quentin Harnell  
 Cissy & Stanley Page  
 William John & Vera Pratt  
 John William Pratt  
 Robert and Margie du  
 Preez  
 Rosemary & Mark Roberts  
 Fred & Betty Jones, Les  
 Jones, David & Lyn Fox  
 Andrew Smith

Tom & Kathleen Eborall  
 Stephen Smith, Olive  
 Woollard  
 Arthur Stiff  
 Alec & Madge Sparrow  
 In Memory of the Woods,  
 Syretts  
 Grimmers & Hewitt  
 Families  
 Fredrick & Gladys Tidy  
 Charles & Brenda Warne  
 John Slee & Diana Slee  
 Tom Slee, Mary Slee  
 John & Valerie  
 Underwood  
 Nick & Wendy Lee  
 Edna & Norman White  
 Leslie & Peggy Doe  
 Michael J Williams  
 Lily & Ted Williams  
 Alice & Ernest Godbold  
 Rev Heather Connell  
 Sue Baker  
 Jenny Woodrow

### ***Easter Flowers, In Memory*** **Amendment**

In last week's Pew Sheet, incorrect names were listed.  
 The Easter flowers in memory should have named *Donna East* and *Fredrick & Gladys Tidy*.

We apologise to Linda and family and to  
 Peter and family  
 for this mistake and for any upset caused.



### **Pew Notices & Diary**

**Notices** – Emma Charnock [info@stosythparishchurch.co.uk](mailto:info@stosythparishchurch.co.uk) by latest Wednesday 5pm  
**Anything for the Church Diary** – Emma Charnock [info@stosythparishchurch.co.uk](mailto:info@stosythparishchurch.co.uk)

Don't forget, you can always find out more by visiting the  
 CHURCH WEBSITE:

[www.stosythparishchurch.co.uk](http://www.stosythparishchurch.co.uk)

**St. Osyth Parish Church**  
**Diary for Week Beginning Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026 – 19<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

<b>Sunday</b>  <b>Second Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11am</b>	<b>Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd. Sharon Guest</b>  <b>Sunday Club</b>  <b>Refreshments will be served in the Church room after the Service</b>
Monday	13 <sup>th</sup>		
Tuesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	10am-12noon  7pm	CCS Course in Church Room  PCC Meeting to approve Accounts, held in Church Room
Wednesday	15 <sup>th</sup>	6.30pm-7.30pm  7.30pm-9pm	Bell Ringing Training  Cluster Ringing Group
Thursday	16 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Holy Communion Service in the Church Room, led by Rev'd. Sharon Guest
Friday	17 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm-1.15pm  2.15pm	Our First Summer Recital with Sam Bristoe, Assistant Director of Music at Chelmsford Cathedral  Funeral
Saturday	18 <sup>th</sup>	10am-11.30am	Pop-In
<b>Sunday</b>  <b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11am</b>	<b>Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd. Judith Gibbons</b> <b>Peter Clayton will be playing the Organ</b>  <b>Sunday Club</b>  <b>Refreshments will be served in the Church room after the Service</b>

**UPCOMING SERVICES**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Service led by</u></b>
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	11am Morning Praise Service led by Tony Page
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	8am Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd. Sharon Guest
	10am Priory Benefice Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd. Sharon Guest. Held at St. Mary's Church, Great Bentley