

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

17th May 2026
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Sunday after Ascension Day

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



The Bible Readings

Acts 1. 6-14
John 17. 1-11

CHURCH CONTACTS

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The Gospel **John 17. 1-11**

Jesus Prays for His Disciples

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

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: Sam, Monica, Ray, Maureen, David, Nina Hatchett, Dominee, Jane Eade, Tiny Harding, Joy and John.
- † Pray for all who have recently passed away including William Parsons, 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.
- † Lord, thank you that you hear every prayer. Teach us to pray with faith and confidence, knowing that our words are sacred and received by you. Amen.
- † Lord God of all creation, please show me that your presence is with me today and throughout the week, strengthening me to face any battle or challenge. Amen.

Please let Chris Pile, email 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.

*** NOTICES ***

St Osyth Church

2025 Summer Season Recitals

Our next Recital will take place on

Friday 15th May 12.30pm-1.15pm

When we welcome the wonderful

LIZZIE GUTTERIDGE

*with her collection of Historical
Instruments*

As always, no ticket is required, and refreshments will be available in the Church Room after the recital.

Donations towards the Church Music fund are gratefully accepted. (Cash or card).

APCM and AVM



The APCM and AVM will be taking place this Sunday, 17th May during the 11am Service.

Completed nomination forms can be placed in the Black folder.



We would like to say a BIG
THANK YOU

to the Bond family for the very generous financial donation, they have made to our Church in memory of Mark and Rosemary

Remembering Andrew Smith

19.05.1926 – 28.09.2007

Farmer, Churchwarden, Parish Councillor and Entrepreneur

May 19th would have been Andrew's 100th birthday. He lived and farmed in St. Osyth and made an enormous contribution to its community, which was so much part of his life.

He served both as a Parish Councillor and as a Churchwarden for over twenty-five years. It was his entrepreneurial spirit that led him to be the founder member of the Social Club in Church Square – still a popular drinking establishment in the village.

He is fondly remembered by so many.

His was a life well lived.

Written at the request of members of the Smith Family

Sonia

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

Do you have a couple of hours to spare on a Saturday morning to help at Pop-In?

Pop-In is held every Saturday from 10am-11.30am in the Church Room.

If you are interested, please speak to Sunny Bissenden at Pop-In or email

churchwarden1@stosythparishchurch.co.uk

St. Osyth Parish Church
Summer Fayre

Saturday 13th June

Join us for our Annual Summer Fayre

10.00-13.00

In the Churchyard

Container Tombola • Bric-a-Brac Stall • Cake Stall • Plant Sale • Handicrafts
Jewellery and Art • Toosey Arts and Crafts • Jams and Preserves

We are excited to also be hosting

Chisbon Heath Colourist's Art Exhibition in the Church



Summer Fayre
Container Tombola



Please could we have donations of gifts for the Container Tombola.

These can be in any kind of container eg. bag, tin, box, fruit in punnets (but please buy as close as possible to the Summer Fayre). Please make sure any food items are unopened and in date.

Sadly, **no** chocolate please. As it **MELTS** in the sun (that we will definitely have!)

Donations can be left in the Welcome area at the back of Church.

Thank you for your support
Sunny

Summer Fayre



Do your cupboards and drawers need a tidy? Are they stuffed with things you no longer need?

The St. Osyth Church Summer Fayre provides an ideal opportunity for you to **DECLUTTER** your home and let preloved objects go to another home to be treasured.

Please place on the Pews to the right of the Church entrance door.
Thank you for your support.
Sunny

Pew Notices & Diary

Notices – Emma Charnock info@stosythparishchurch.co.uk by latest Wednesday 5pm

Anything for the Church Diary – Emma Charnock info@stosythparishchurch.co.uk

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

www.stosythparishchurch.co.uk

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Diary for Week Beginning Sunday 17th May 2026 – 24th May 2026

Sunday Seventh Sunday of Easter Sunday after Ascension Day	17th	11am	<p>Morning Praise Service led by Rev'd. Sharon Guest APCM and AVM will take place during the service</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday Club</p> <p>Refreshments will be served in the Church room after the Service</p>
Monday	18 th		Church CLOSED – All day GCS updating the Security System
Tuesday	19 th	10am-12noon	CCS Course in Church Room
Wednesday	20 th	11.30am 6.30pm-7.30pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Church CLOSED – All day for Cleaning</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Standing Committee Meeting in the Church Room</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bell Ringing Training</p>
Thursday	21 st	10am	Holy Communion Service in the Church Room, led by Rev'd. Sharon Guest
Friday	22 nd		
Saturday	23 rd	10am-11.30am	Pop-In
Sunday Pentecost	24th	11am	<p>Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd. Laurie Bond</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday Club</p> <p>Refreshments will be served in the Church room after the Service</p>

UPCOMING SERVICES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Service led by</u>
Sunday 31 st May Trinity Sunday	11am Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd. Sharon Guest
Sunday 7 th June First Sunday after Trinity	8am Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd. Sharon Guest
	10am Priory Benefice Holy Communion Service held at St. Andrew's Church, Weeley. Led by Rev'd. Sharon Guest

Parish Giving Scheme

The Parish Giving Scheme is an easy and secure way to donate to our Church. Either use the QR Code or visit.



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