

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

24th May 2026
Pentecost

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



The Bible Readings

Acts 2. 1-21
John 20. 19-23

CHURCH CONTACTS

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The Gospel **John 20. 19-23**

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."

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.
- † Heavenly Father, grant me the strength and courage that Your Spirit brings and empower me to live out my faith boldly. 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 ***

Lunchtime Summer Recitals at St Osyth Church



On Friday 15th May St. Osyth Church were pleased to welcome Lizzie Gutteridge as our performer for the second Recital of 2026.

Lizzie arrived on a bamboo bike that she had made herself with help. All her Medieval musical instruments and modern technology were loaded in paniers on the bike, as well as her Concert dress.

The audience were bowled over by her enthusiasm and energy. Lizzie began with a tune from a composer from the 13th c playing a pipe, tabor and recorder. By using modern technology in the form of live-loop software she was able to introduce three, -four- and five-part harmonies individually and then loop them to play simultaneously.

Lizzie talked about the music and she gave examples of the occasions when some pieces were played. Her boundless energy and enthusiasm were amazing and her knowledge and skill were incredible.

Her performance was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. Lizzie stayed to answer questions at the end before getting back on her bike to cycle to Great Bentley to travel home by train.

Sunny Bissenden

Act of Remembrance

St. Osyth Branch of the Royal British Legion will be conducting an Act of Remembrance on Friday 22nd May 2026 at 7.00pm in the Church grounds, Church Square, St Osyth. This event marks the end of operation Telec (British forces involvement of the military coalition deployed to Iraq). During which 179 British military personnel made the ultimate sacrifice with many more wounded and injured.

Our arrangements are specific to our Branch but coincide with those of RBL at the National Arboretum.

We will Muster at 6.45 pm, with Wreath laying, 2 minutes silence and a commemorative address at 7.00pm.

After which we will have opportunity to reflect in the Working men's club.

Peter Tidy for and on behalf of the executive committee.
St. Osyth Royal British Legion

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 ☀️



Bric-A-Brac

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 any items on the Pews at the back of Church.

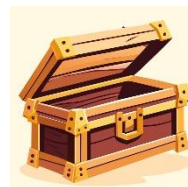
Thank you for your continued support.

Sunny ☀️



ALF's BOX & THE LARGE GREEN GLASS JAR

If you call in to the church any time during the day, please just glance into Alf's donations box & the glass jar and if there is any money in them would you kindly put it in the wall safe located in the wall by the internal notice board in the welcome area.



**APCM and AVM
Sunday 17th May**

On Sunday 17th May 2026 the APCM and AVM took place in Church. Tony Page and Sunny Bissenden have both been re-elected as Churchwardens and Belinda Liddle has been re-appointed as PCC Secretary.

Elected PCC Members 2026

Hilary Worn, Ray Crosier, Tracey Hocking, Lois Page, Danny Wright, Judy Wright, Sonia Grantham, Dawn Syrett, Pat Smith

No lay members of the Deanery Synod have been elected at present.

VIGILANCE PLEASE

As we enter the holiday season,
please remain vigilant.
If you can when around & about the
village, please pop into the Church
just to keep an eye open.
Thank you.

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.



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

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

St. Osyth Parish Church
Diary for Week Beginning Sunday 24th May 2026 – 31st May 2026

Sunday Pentecost	24th	11am	Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd. Laurie Bond Sunday Club Refreshments will be served in the Church room after the Service
Monday	25 th		
Tuesday	26 th	11am	Stour Valley U3A Church Visit
Wednesday	27 th	6.30pm-7.30pm 7.30pm – 9pm	Bell Ringing Training Cluster Bell Ringing
Thursday	28 th	10am	Morning Praise Service in the Church Room, led by Danny Wright
Friday	29 th		
Saturday	30 th	10am-11.30am	Pop-In
Sunday Trinity Sunday	31st	11am	Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd. Sharon Guest Sunday Club Refreshments will be served in the Church room after the Service

UPCOMING SERVICES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Service led by</u>
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
Sunday 14 th June Second Sunday after Trinity	11am Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd. Laurie Bond