

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

26th July 2026
Eighth Sunday after Trinity

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



The Bible Readings

**Romans 8. 26-end.
Matthew 13. 31-33, 44-52**

CHURCH CONTACTS

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The Gospel **Matthew 13. 31-33, 44-52**

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

The Parable of the Yeast

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

Three Parables

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and reburied; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Treasures New and Old

"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

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 for the people of Venezuela at a time of fear and loss. Lord God, bring comfort to those who are hurting, shelter to those without homes, and strength to all who are responding with care and compassion. May your presence be a source of peace and comfort.
- † 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: Graham, Basil, Chris, Sam, Monica, Ray, Maureen, Nina Hatchett, Dominee, Jane Eade, Tiny Harding, Joy and John.
- † Pray for all who have recently passed away including Peter Tidy and Jean Smith, 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.
- † Father, thank you for Jesus who gave himself for me, and for your Holy Spirit who dwells in me. Help me to live in the fulness of everything you intended! In Jesus' name. 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 ***

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING PARKING

The car park in front of the Priory has now implemented a **2 hour** maximum stay. I have been in contact with the Priory and these restrictions are permanent and apply seven days a week.

St Osyth Priory have said *"we have always been pleased to support the village whenever possible and we continue to do so. However, we need to remind everyone that the car park is private and these measures have been introduced to ensure it is used fairly and appropriately."*

Parish Giving Scheme

You can support our church through the Parish Giving Scheme, a simple and secure way to give by Direct Debit monthly, quarterly, or annually.

- No need to bring cash to services
- Anonymous giving available
- No fees to donors, administration costs are covered by the Diocese
- Easy to manage or amend your donations online

If you are a UK taxpayer, Gift Aid adds an extra **25p for every £1 you give**, at no extra cost to you, helping the church benefit straight away.

Please consider joining the many members of our congregation who already give through the scheme.



THE SALVATION ARMY FOOD BANK

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

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

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.

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 26th July 2026 – 2nd August 2026

Sunday Eighth Sunday after Trinity	26th	11am	Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd. Guy Thorburn Organ played by Peter Clayton Sunday Club Refreshments will be served in the Church room after the Service
Monday	27 th		
Tuesday	28 th		
Wednesday	29 th	6.30pm-7.30pm	Bell Ringing Training
Thursday	30 th	10am	An Informal Holy Communion Service in the Church Room, led by Rev'd. Pauline Hart This is the last mid-week service until September 2026
Friday	31 st	12noon	Funeral
Saturday	1 st	10am-11.30am	Pop-In
Sunday Ninth Sunday after Trinity	2nd	<u>10am</u>	There will be NO 8am Service in August Priory Benefice Holy Communion Service held at St. Osyth Church led by Rev'd. Laurie Bond Refreshments will be served in the Church room after the Service Sunday Club will be taking a Summer Break through August and will return on Sunday 13th September

UPCOMING SERVICES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Service led by</u>
Sunday 9 th August Tenth Sunday after Trinity	11am Holy Communion Service led by Rev'd. Laurie Bond
Sunday 16 th August Eleventh Sunday after Trinity	11am Morning Praise Service led by Rev'd. Sharon Guest