

The Combs and Finborough News Sheet

Buxhall, Combs, Gt and Lt Finborough, Harleston, Onehouse and Shelland



WELCOME

As we keep in touch, pray and support each other

24th August 2025 : Bartholomew the Apostle

Church Services Today:

9.30 am	Morning Worship	Buxhall
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Shelland
11.00 am	Morning Worship	Onehouse
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Great Finborough

Messy Church for Harvest!

We will be holding our next Messy Church session on **Saturday, 13th September from 10.30am to 12.30pm** at Trinity Hall in Onehouse.

The focus will be on the harvest and all ages are welcome, there will be harvest-themed crafts, a Bible story and probably a song! And to finish there will be a picnic-style lunch. Places must be booked in advance by emailing revdsarahjenkins@gmail.com and children will need to be accompanied by a parent/carers.



Forthcoming Events

6th September – Combs Harvest Supper, 7pm at Combs Church Hall, a bring and share meal, please bring food and drinks to share with everyone

8th September – Rural Coffee Caravan, 2pm to 4pm, Harleston Green

10th September – Harleston PCC, 7pm at Trinity Hall, Onehouse

11th September – Rural Coffee Caravan, 10am to 12pm, Combs Green, Combs

13th September – Messy Church for Harvest! 10.30am to 12.30pm, Trinity Hall, Onehouse, places must be booked by emailing revdsarahjenkins@gmail.com

13th September – Ride and Stride! All our churches will be open from 9am to 5pm for the annual Suffolk Historic Churches Trust sponsored walk or cycle

19th September - Onehouse 'Fun Quiz', 7.30pm, Trinity Hall, Onehouse. All proceeds to the refurbishment of Trinity Hall, tickets £7.50 to include a Ploughman's Supper – BYO bottle. Tickets from Andrew 07887 788473/Ian 01449 15815/Christine 01359 240875

20th September – Buxhall Tea Room, 12pm to 3pm at Village Hall, Buxhall



26th September – Onehouse Harvest Supper, 6pm for 6.30pm, Trinity Hall, Onehouse. For enquiries/tickets please phone Sylvia on 01449 615592

Meet Up Mondays in Church Hall, Combs

Our next meeting is a special and will take place on **1st September 2025** from 11.30am to 1.30pm, places may be booked by contacting Revd Alison on 01449 541794. All most welcome.

Wednesday Mornings in Trinity Hall, Onehouse

9.30am Wednesdays Said Holy Communion followed at 10.30am by coffee and cake.

Saturday Morning Prayer on Zoom at 10am

Join us for a short service of Morning Prayer on Zoom, this is the link to join the service <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84537834344?pwd=dmZRdXpkbXNpUk15aVNjdzMwdmg5dz09> Meeting ID: 845 3783 4344 Passcode: 916836

Prayer Group

We have a group of people from across the Benefice who pray individually and privately for anyone who asks for prayerful support, whatever the situation may be. All information given is kept totally confidential. Our only request is that the person receiving prayer gives their consent. If you or someone you know would welcome prayer, please contact Elizabeth Mooney at emooney6@sky.com.

Collect for Bartholomew the Apostle

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your word: grant that your Church may love that word which he believed and may faithfully preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

The New Testament reading is taken from 1 Corinthians 4.9-15

For I think that God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, as though sentenced to death, because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to mortals. We are fools for the sake of Christ, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honour, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we are hungry and thirsty, we are poorly clothed and beaten and homeless, and we grow weary from the work of our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we speak kindly. We have become like the rubbish of the world, the dregs of all things, to this very day. I am not writing this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you might have ten thousand guardians in Christ, you do not have many fathers. Indeed, in Christ Jesus I became your father through the gospel.

This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel is taken from Luke 22.24-30 : Glory to you O Lord

A dispute also arose among the disciples as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But Jesus said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. 'You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

Intercessions

Encouraged by our fellowship with all the saints, let us make our prayers to the Father through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Father, your Son called men and women to leave the past behind them and to follow him as his disciples in the way of the cross. Look with mercy upon those whom he calls today, marks with the cross and makes his disciples within the Church.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Your Son told his disciples not to be afraid and at Easter breathed on them his gift of peace. Look with mercy upon the world into which he sent them out, and give it that peace for which it longs. We pray especially at this time for world leaders and the peoples of Ukraine, Russia, Israel and Gaza.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Your Son formed around him a company who were no longer servants but friends, and he called all those who obeyed him his brother and sister and mother. Look with mercy upon our families and our friends and upon the communities in which we share.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Your Son sent out disciples to preach and heal the sick. Look with mercy on all those who yearn to hear the good news of salvation, and renew among your people the gifts of healing.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Your Son promised to those who followed him that they would sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel and would share the banquet of the kingdom. According to your promise, look with mercy on those who have walked with Christ in this life and now have passed through death.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer**

Almighty God, Grant that your Church may faithfully hold and make known the faith that has come to us through the apostles, that with them and all your saints we may inherit the glories of eternal life.

Merciful father: **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Service on 31st August: The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

10.00am

Benefice Holy Communion

Little Finborough

**Please remember the families and loved ones of those who have recently died
including Eddie Smith.**

May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

As a Group of Churches we are committed to promoting a 'Safer Church' for all.
Information relating to Safeguarding is available in all our churches and from our
Diocesan Website <https://www.cofesuffolk.org/promoting-a-safer-church>

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