NOTICES CONTINUED:

FELLOWSHIP AND FAITH GROUPS: small groups meeting in the parish for friendship, bible study, discussion and prayer:
1st Tuesday of the month 2.00pm – 3.30pm: Next meeting Tuesday 5th January at 19 The Beeches courtesy of Peg Austin
3rd Thursday of the month 11.00am – 12.00pm at 4 Pineheath Road, High Kelling, following the 10.00am Eucharist at All Saints, courtesy of Ann Alborough.

SUNDAY COFFEE: coffee after Church each Sunday will be served after the Parish Eucharist in the **Meeting Room.**

WEEKDAY COFFEE MORNING: on Wednesday mornings 10.00am – 12.00noon in the **Meeting Room**. Please come along to meet friends and make new ones. All welcome

INEQE Audit - The Church of England has commissioned an independent firm to audit safeguarding arrangements in every diocese. It is now the turn of the Norwich Diocese. The audit will include a large survey, submission of evidence by the Diocesan Safeguarding team and interviews. The survey is now open online and they are looking for about 25-30 contributions per parish! It is open to all office holders, those that work with children, members of the PCC and parishioners. Please do help St. Andrew's hit its target of 30 responses by completing the survey which is available www:ineqe.com/ churchofengland/Norwich. Thank you very much. Any queries please contact Claire Roberts on 07760462693

LIVE STREAMING: Please be aware that if you sit in the first 3 - 4 rows of pews in the nave or come to the chancel step you are likely to be seen and possibly recognised on our live stream via the YouTube channel. During the distribution of Holy Communion your privacy is respected and the camera view is that of the East Window.

CROMER & DISTRICT FOODBANK COLLECTION POINT: Dry & tinned food donations can be left inside church on the right. Collection Fridays

TIMES OF SERVICES
Morning Prayer 9am & Evening Prayer 5.30pm
Daily Eucharist Mon, - Sat 9.30am except Wednesday when at 12.00noon and Thursday for RC Mass. Thurs 10.00am at All Saints, High Kelling.
Sunday 8am BCP Eucharist
Sunday 9.15am Said Eucharist at All Saints,
Parish Eucharist Sun: 10.30am
Choral Evensong 5.00pm (2nd Sunday of the month). Services at St Andrew's Holt, unless stated otherwise.

YOUTUBE: To view the services and concerts on our YouTube channel click the YouTube link at the top right of any page on our website www.holtchurch.org or search online on YouTube for St Andrew the Apostle, Holt

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THE PARISH OF HOLT WITH HIGH KELLING
SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER 2026
THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT
Safe Guarding Sunday



Principal Celebrant & Preacher:
Fr. Howard Stoker

Mass setting:
Walsingham Mass

Organ voluntary: Prelude and Fugue in G Minor BWV 535 J S Bach

PREPARATION HYMN: 435 Christian people raise your song

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 746 O God our help

COLLECT: Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: *Zephaniah 1.7,12-18*
Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is at hand; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, 'The LORD will not do good, nor will he do harm.' Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the LORD, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

SECOND READING: *1 Thessalonians 5.1-11*
Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security,' then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

GRADUAL HYMN: 676 Immortal Invisible

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Alleluia! **Alleluia!** When the Son of Man is seated on the throne of his gory, you will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. **Alleluia!**

Matthew 25.14-30
Jesus said to his disciples, 'The kingdom of heaven is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."'

OFFERTORY HYMN: 277 I bind unto myself (omit v 4)

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS:
Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom; we ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMNS: 127 Lord Jesus think on me
595 Be thou my vision

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:
Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: 780 Soldiers of Christ arise

Organ voluntary: Sonata in Bb (1st movement) Mendelssohn

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

The sick from the parish: Sarah Ashbee, Nina Buck, Amanda Burch, David Coslett, Sue Crook, Phyllis Durham, Stephen Dyer, Gary Gould, Daphne Howard, Sylvia Levete, Jean Mogford, Georgina Morrish, Ken Swallow, Janet Waller.

The sick from beyond the parish: Jean Arkell, Andrew Armitage, Lois Blamire, Vanessa Blythe, Rosemary Buchanan, Shirley Dyble, Chris Garlick, Ian Hall, Robert Herring, Pauline Huggins, Rosie Jones, Adelina Lahman, Georgette Lahman, Margaret, Karen Massingham, Sheila Mitchell, Nieves Beguiristain, David Phillips, John Riseborough, Samuel, Pamela Sithole, Sheila Turner, Kathleen Watson, Susan White.

Those who have recently died: Alan Birch, Peter Keeling (priest), Robert Garnett

Anniversaries of death: Roger Percival, Joan Beveridge, Donald Praill, John Crowder, Bill Elliott (priest) Ivy Ellis, Frank Sergeant (priest) Diane Mose

NOTICES:

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY: 15TH November. "Love Protects" Raising awareness of our shared responsibility to safeguard children and vulnerable adults. More information at the back of church.

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE: Sunday 29th November 5pm. A service of readings, carols and anthems for Advent.

FEAST OF ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE: Monday 30th November. **Patronal Sung Eucharist 6.30pm.** Preacher: Revd Dr Peter Doll, Norwich Cathedral's Canon Librarian. Light Fish Supper available at £15.00 to include two course, glass of wine and tea/coffee. Numbers limited. Tickets available from Frances Jenkinson. Tel: 01263 860342

WINDOWS OF THE NORTH AISLE: Wednesday 2nd December 11.00am. An illustrated talk by James Thomson about the stained glass windows in the north aisle of the church. All welcome.

ADVENT QUIET DAY: Tuesday 8th December at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham led by the Rt. Revd Peter Eagles. 10am – 4.00pm. Cost: £18.00 to include lunch. The day will include two devotional addresses, Sung Eucharist, and sprinkling at the well and time for quiet reflection. Please sign the list at the back of church if you wish to attend, indicating any dietary requirements.

PCC MEETING: The Parochial Church Council will meet on Tuesday 17th November at 6.30pm

COME AND SING HANDEL'S MESSIAH: Sunday 20th December. 3.30pm rehearsal for the choir. 6.00pm Concert Come along at 3pm and register to sing in the choir or at 5pm when doors open for the 6pm performance accompanied by orchestra and soloists. Licensed bar opens at 5.15pm. Cost £10pp. For ticket enquires: email katharine@kvhcom.com or apply online at www.holtchurch.org

MENS GROUP AT ST ANDREWS: meets on Wednesdays from 1.30pm–3.00pm in the Meeting Room An inclusive, welcoming group which offers support, friendship and conversation and is concerned for men's wellbeing. Come along and find out more.