NOTICES CONTINUED:

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

EVENTS AT ST ANDREWS ORGANISED BY OTHERS:

THURSDAY 12 NOVEMBER · 7PM ·Holt Book Shop presents an Evening with Sir Norman Lamb. "***Be More Human: Why Mental Health Care is Broken – and What We Can Do to Fix It.***" We are delighted to welcome **Sir Norman Lamb**, former Health Minister, NHS trust chair and longstanding mental health campaigner, to Holt to discuss his important new book *Be More Human*. He will be in conversation with Jess Streeting**.** At a time when mental health affects so many families, this promises to be a fascinating, thought-provoking and important evening. **Tickets available at £8pp in the shop or book online at www.tickettailor.com/events/theholtbookshop/2421079**

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 () or search online on YouTube for St Andrew the Apostle, Holt

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THE PARISH OF HOLT WITH HIGH KELLING
SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER 2026
THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY



Principal Celebrant & Preacher: Fr. Howard Stoker

Mass setting: St Mark's – Malcolm Archer

Organ voluntary: Solemn Prelude for the Fallen – Edward Elgar

PREPARATION HYMN: For the fallen - Guest

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 810 Thou whose almighty word

COLLECT: Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: *Wisdom of Solomon 6.12-16*
Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her. One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate. To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought.

SECOND READING: *1 Thessalonians 4.13-18*
We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

GRADUAL HYMN: 583 Rejoice, O land

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Alleluia! **Alleluia!** Not everyone who says to me, Lord, Lord, will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only one who does the will of my Father in heaven. **Alleluia!**

Matthew 25.1-13
Jesus spoke this parable to the disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.'

OFFERTORY HYMN: 581 Lord of lords

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS:
Holy God, in Christ you make all things one: may we who are reconciled at this table bring wholeness to our broken world; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMNS:
713 Lord of all hopefulness 577 Eternal God

ANTHEM: O how amiable are thy dwellings – Vaughan Williams

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:
God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesu Christ. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: 576 And did those feet

Organ voluntary: Rhapsody in C# minor – Herbert Howells

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: Ernest Alfred Wright, Dorothy Elsie High, John Austin, Charles Wilkins, Betty Buck, Lesley Kock Frank Hallows, Margaret Trent, Joan Gladys Flather, Patricia Hamer,

NOTICES:

DIY: THANK YOU to all those who have worked tirelessly to decorate the Parish Church Hall over the past week. Your hard work is very much appreciated and the hall looks great. Thank you. Fr. Howard & Churchwardens, Tim & Colin.

CHORAL EVENSONG: Second Sunday of the month. Next service: Sunday 8th November at 5.00pm.

REMEMRANCE SUNDAY: 8TH November 2026
10.50am Service of Remembrance at Holt War Memorial.

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

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.

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 3rd November at 13 The Beeches courtesy of Helen Elson.
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