



Alde Sandlings Benefice

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Services in The Alde Sandlings Benefice – Sunday 20th September 2026

Aldeburgh	8am 11am	Holy Communion CW2 Holy Communion	Prebendary Derek Johnson Revd Sarah du Boulay
Aldringham	11am	Family Service	Revd Mary Brown
Friston	9.30am	Service of the Word	Led by Elder Marie Szpak
Knodishall	9.30am	Service of the Word – Harvest Festival	Led by Elder Ros Macallister

A message from Revd Mary Brown

Dear Friends,

I came back from my holiday to dark evenings and the smell of Autumn on the air. Next week, the clergy team are meeting to plan out our Christmas services. That long hot summer now seems distant and unreal. Seasons can change quickly, one moment we're wearing shorts, and the next we're reaching for our wool sweaters. Many of us, or those known to us across the benefice, or our friends and family, are going through major changes at the moment. The season of life is suddenly distinctly different from the one you were in just a moment ago. On top of this, the world around us also seems to be changing, with daily onslaughts of bad news, and fresh ways humans have found to hurt one another. It can be hard to know how to stand in the face of these things. But in the face of change, the Bible offers comfort. The author to the Hebrews tells us that: 'Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and for ever' (Hebrews 13:8), in James we read that with God there is 'no variation or or shadow due to change' (James 1:17). God is constant and true, what we know of his character today will be true of his character tomorrow. If today you believe that God loves you and is with you, and tomorrow you wake up in a season of doubt - God has not

changed. What is true in the sunshine and the light, in the joyful times of life, is still true in grief and sickness and sadness and loss. Sometimes it can be very hard to hold on to that for ourselves, and that is when we need the community of the church to gather around us, bringing their faith to hold up ours, like a friend arriving in the winter with a bag of kindling for our fire. Is there someone you could offer support and encouragement to this week?

With love and prayers,
Mary

Readings for Sunday 20th September 2026

Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers
of your people who call upon you;
and grant that they may both perceive and know
what things they ought to do,
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;
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.

Exodus 16:2-15

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, 'If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.'

⁴Then the Lord said to Moses, 'I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.'

⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.' ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, 'In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?' ⁸And Moses said, 'When the Lord

gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord.’

9 Then Moses said to Aaron, ‘Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, “Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.” ’

¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The Lord spoke to Moses and said, ¹²‘I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, “At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.” ’

13 In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, ‘What is it?’ For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, ‘It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

Philippians 1:21-end

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

27 Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God’s doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Matthew 20:1-16

20 Jesus said to his disciples, ‘For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. ²After

agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; ⁴and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" ⁷They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard."
⁸'When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage.¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage.¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." ¹³But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?"¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?"¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

Readings for the Harvest Festival Service Sunday 20th September, Knodishall Parish Church

Deuteronomy 8:7-18

7 For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills,

8 a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey,

9 a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper.

10 You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

11 Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today.

12 When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them,
13 and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied,
14 then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery,
15 who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock,
16 and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good.
17 Do not say to yourself, “My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth.”
18 But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

2 Corinthians 9:6 – end

6 The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. ⁹As it is written, ‘He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness* endures for ever.’

¹⁰He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.* ¹¹You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; ¹²for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. ¹³Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, ¹⁴while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. ¹⁵Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Luke 17:11 – 19

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

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There are many online services you can view from the Church of England and our cathedral. Here are some links below.

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<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/church-online/weekly-online-services>

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<https://www.facebook.com/thechurchofengland/>

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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLeCK8GovYoaYzlgyOEIKZg>

St Edmundsbury Cathedral Facebook Page

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Sermon by Revd Mary Brown

Sunday 13th September - Aldeburgh Parish Church

I spent most of my holiday in a house on the side of a mountain above a glacial lake. The next door neighbours have a beautiful vegetable garden and orchard, including an espaliered nectarine tree.

Lovely Esther who lives next door came round the first day with a nectarine from this tree for us to share - and it was - without doubt - the best nectarine I had ever eaten in my life. Esther told us that due to the drought and heat this summer the tree had not been able to produce the number of fruit that it normally would. Each nectarine was especially precious in a scarce year.

And yet, day after day Esther left another nectarine on our doorstep whilst we were out on our walks.

One evening we were sat outside and watched as she walked to another neighbour's house to deliver nectarines. I was so struck by Esther's generosity with her harvest. Even in a year of less, rather than hoard her delicious bounty, preserving it, storing it, or gorging on it, she kept on giving it away.

Esther was modelling God's abundant generosity, and her trust that God's provision was enough.

She received each nectarine as a gift from God, so that she was able to freely give in turn, holding tighter to the giver than to the gift. I came away from that experience convicted and asking the Lord to help me be as freely generous as I saw Esther being.

Both of our New Testament readings today are about how we look after one another. They are, appropriately for this season of harvest, about generosity and abundance within our relationships - generosity of attitude and feeling.

Holding these together was that Old Testament reading, where we hear of God's protection of his people.

I think that Esther's generosity comes from the knowledge that God loves her, that he is good towards her, and that she is safe within his love. Without that knowledge we can find it very hard to be generous, very hard to withhold judgement, and very hard to forgive.

Turning to our New Testament readings - firstly we heard from Paul, teaching the Romans what it is to withhold judgement and to honour each other's conscience. Not condemning someone for making different choices about religious practices than the ones that we make. Paul tells us that what matters is that each of us is 'fully convinced in our minds' - doing each thing in honour to the Lord and trusting that each one of us will in the end be accountable to God.

This is not carte blanche to do whatever we like. Paul is talking about those choices we make with a clear conscience and whilst honouring the Lord.

Here is the first way we are called to be generous to one another. We are generous in not judging, and this generosity is made possible by trusting in the Lord and his generosity in accepting our meagre offerings of our behaviour, our choices, and the way we live our lives as honouring to him.

And then in our gospel reading Jesus tells this parable about forgiveness. A parable which can be read as a midrash - a teaching - on the Lord's Prayer, expanding on what he taught us there. As we will say later in the service: 'forgive us our debt, as we forgive those indebted towards us.' Usually the word here is translated 'sins' or 'trespasses' but actually the Greek uses the same word as financial debt, making this parable of Jesus' directly linked to those words in the Lord's prayer.

In this parable Jesus demonstrates that forgiveness is another form of generosity, made possible, again, by our knowledge of God's generous forgiveness of us.

Jesus' parable uses outlandish amounts to drive home his point. 10000 might not sound that much to us, but 10000 talents was the equivalent of sixty million days of wages - it would be utterly impossible for anyone to earn this amount. The entire region of Samaria and Judea paid an annual tribute to the Roman Emperor of 600 talents - that gives you some sense of the vastness of this sum. 10,000 is also the biggest number it is possible to express in NT Greek. Saying he owed 10000 talents is a bit like saying today that someone owes a gazillion pounds - it isn't a real number, it is just there to illustrate that this slave's debt was beyond imagining and beyond paying back.

In the story the slave falls at the king's feet, begging for time, and committing to repaying the whole amount. Something that the slave, the king, and all listening to the story would have known was impossible.

And the king responds in the most surprising way. He doesn't do what the slave asks and give him more time to try and pay off this impossible mountain of debt - he goes above and beyond anything the slave could have asked of him.

The King has mercy on the slave, one translation says 'the heart of the slave's master went out to him'. He forgives the entire debt, writing it off altogether. And more than that, he sets the slave and his whole family free. The king has shown a generosity beyond imagining, by forgiving a debt beyond imagining.

The slave walks away technically a changed man - no longer in debt, and no longer a slave.

And yet the next scene in the story shows us that his heart has not followed his change of circumstances. He encounters a peer, a fellow slave, who owes him a tiny amount in comparison. And he refuses to have mercy on this fellow slave. Instead having him thrown into debtors prison.

Hearing about this from the other slaves, the master summons the first slave back. He is shocked and appalled at the slave's behaviour. He says to him: 'wasn't it your duty to show mercy on your fellow slave, just as I for my part showed mercy on you?' (v33). So mirroring the behaviour of the first slave towards his fellow slave, the master has the first slave thrown into prison - his forgiveness revoked and his freedom revoked.

The end of this story can be hard to hear, but I think, only if we are not willing to fully consider the cost and the impact of our own debt towards God - our sin, our trespasses.

This is one of the clearest parables that Jesus tells. The parable comes on the back of a direct teaching about how to handle someone in the community of disciples hurting another. If you look at chapter 18 you will see that it has been about temptation to sin; about God going out to find the one missing sheep from the 99; how to deal with someone who is sinning in the community; and then this question from Peter. So the context is clear.

Jesus tells us at the end that the king in the story is representing God. That the slaves represent us.

Jesus reminds us that we have been forgiven by God in his abundant and astounding mercy to us, and that we therefore have a duty to extend the same compassion to our brothers and sisters.

So let's try and unpack this a little.

Why is the first slave's sum of debt so unimaginably enormous? Well, I think it helps us to understand the enormity of the price that Jesus paid on the cross, taking onto himself all the wrongdoing of humanity once and for all, all the broken and bad things of the world, is an unimaginably enormous weight. Jesus, God incarnate, gave his own life on the cross in order to forgive our debts, to set us free from what Paul calls elsewhere, our slavery to sin.

Just like the king in this story, God was not only patient, he wrote off our debts once and for all, and set us free to live with him. Free to live in the abundance of his love for us.

Just as this slave's debt was beyond human calculation, 'What God has forgiven his people is beyond human calculation'

So Jesus tells us that if we believe, like my new friend Esther told me she believes, that we are safe as God's children, that we are forgiven by him, loved by him, in receipt of his generosity - that enables us to be generous in turn. Generous in offering one another forgiveness.

God's generosity in forgiving our debts - his long-suffering in the face of our sin - should and can lead us into thankfulness and generosity. But for this to happen we need to really understand the goodness of God. Hoarding things, including hoarding grudges and hard feelings, I think stems from the insecurity of not truly knowing in our deepest selves that God is our one and only, sufficient and abundant, place of security, provision and safety. Once we know ourselves to be safe in God, we are able to act with mercy towards others as God has acted with mercy towards us.

Though I couldn't work out how this would fit into the flow of my sermon. I cannot preach about forgiveness, and not preach about the fact that this is not the same as staying in an abusive situation. Jesus isn't telling people not to protect themselves and move themselves to safety. Over the centuries what has been said from the pulpit has often been 'put up with it, don't complain, don't stand up for yourself'. Especially that has been preached to women who need to get out of abusive relationships. And so I need to say that this is not what this parable, or I, am saying. If you are in an abusive

situation, the church should be helping you to be free from it. That is not what Jesus is talking about here.

But he is talking about forgiveness, so let's think about that. Are there things we need to think about forgiving, maybe even someone in this community? We are about to come to the section of the service which is the peace - the peace is designed that we can do what Jesus asked us to do - making sure that we are right with one another before we come to the altar. So maybe today we can use the time of sharing the peace to do just that. If there is someone in this community to whom you need to offer forgiveness, or from whom you need to ask forgiveness - can we be brave and do that? So that we can come together as God's children, equally receiving his generosity, equally giving his generosity as we gather around his table.

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Alde Sandlings Benefice

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† Pilgrims Together †

Pilgrims Online Wednesdays

Wednesday Gathering to Worship, Reflect and Pray

6.30pm (open from 6.10) - Zoom link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/376110700?pwd=Q0Q3TUNya08zVGNoUkl2aUc5a0hVZz09>

All are welcome to any of the Pilgrim's events

Food Banks at the East of England Co-op

Foodbanks provide a valuable service to those in need in our communities.

The Aldeburgh & Leiston Co-op supermarkets are doing a grand job in collecting food donations, which are collected regularly and distributed.

So please look out for the various collection baskets.

<https://www.eastofengland.coop/community/foodpoverty/foodbank-support>

† Home Visits †

Not everyone can get to church as they were once able to, due to an illness reduced mobility. We fully understand that this can be incredibly isolating for some. If you, or you know of someone that would like a home visit from one of our Elders, please do let us know.

Or if you would like home communion, please do let a member of clergy know. Please contact them directly or email

aldesandlingsbenefice@outlook.com and we will do our utmost to arrange a visit.

FRISTON COMMUNITY CHOIR

Choir Leader: Adrian Nicholson

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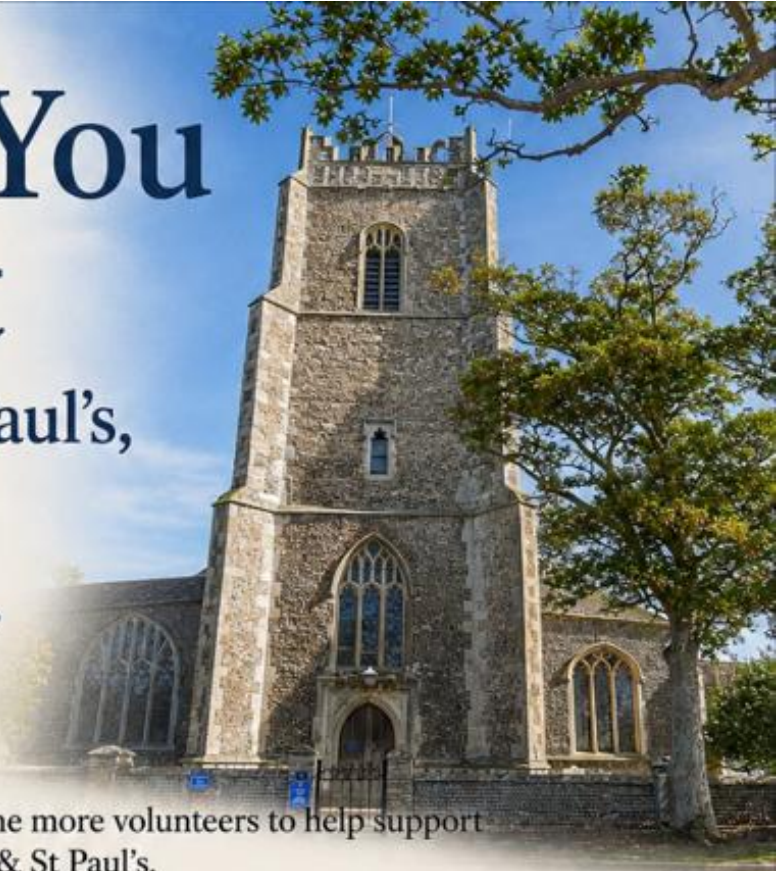
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Wednesday 9th and 23rd September then fortnightly

For more info contact: adrianich@yahoo.com

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St Peter & St Paul's,
Aldeburgh?



Our church is looking to welcome more volunteers to help support the life and ministry of St Peter & St Paul's.

There are opportunities to serve in a variety of ways, including as a sacristan, server, welcomer, flower arranger, cleaner, choir member, or in other practical roles around the church. Some roles require a little training, but support will always be provided.

Whether you can help regularly or occasionally, your time and gifts would be greatly appreciated. Serving is a wonderful way to support our church family and play a part in the life of our church.



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Cleaner



Choir
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If you'd like to find out more—with no obligation—please contact Jodie, Benefice Administrator, who will be happy to put you in touch with the relevant team.

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“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others.”

— 1 PETER 4:10



Remembering the Battle of Britain A special service at Aldringham Church

On Sunday 13th September, Aldringham Church was delighted to welcome the Leiston Air Cadets to our annual Battle of Britain Service.

It was a particularly moving occasion as we remembered those who served and sacrificed during the Battle of Britain and reflected on the courage and commitment of those who continue to serve today.

We are grateful to the Leiston Air Cadets for joining us in this important act of remembrance.



Photos: David Gordon

A Big Thank You!



Suffolk Historic Churches Ride & Stride 2026



A huge *thank you* to everyone who took part in this year's Suffolk Historic Churches Ride & Stride — from cyclists to walkers, volunteers to those who sponsored them.

The annual Ride & Stride is a national event, held every second Saturday in September, bringing together people across the country to raise funds for their local Churches Trust. Once again, the Alde Sandlings communities have contributed hugely, and we are enormously grateful to everyone who played their part.



*Thank you for helping to support
and preserve our beautiful local churches
for generations to come!*



Photos: Mary Sidwell

Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Sponsored Stride 2026
By Jane Blanchflower, St Andrew's Church, Aldringham

I would like to thank everyone who so generously sponsored me on Saturday 12th September for my tour of Felixstowe churches and the surrounding villages. The weather was fine; a south-westerly breeze and cloudy skies interspersed with some warm sunshine. I walked approximately 23 miles and visited 20 churches between 9am and 4pm which included short stops for coffee at St Nicholas at the Ferry and lunch at Trimley St Martin Methodist Church. The total raised is £665 of which half comes to St Andrew's, Aldringham and the other half goes to the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust which gives grants for repairs, improvements and the restoration to Suffolk churches and chapels of all denominations.

The walk is not all about distance covered and the number of churches, although I did think that I could improve on my 2024 sponsored stride in Felixstowe. I have loved church architecture from an early age and find the relationship between their design, furnishings and the way in which they are used for worship a fascinating one. However, this is only part of the story since the most important part is the congregation which gathers within the building. I enjoyed meeting members of all the churches I visited and received a warm welcome at each one.

I was amazed at how much development has taken place in and around Felixstowe, the Trimleys and Walton in the two years since my last visit. In the 1950s and 60s, before the A14 was constructed, the old High Road was the main road passing farmsteads and pasture fields which are now housing estates surrounding the historic farmhouses and cottages. St Mary's Church, Walton was a church I hadn't visited before. At Domesday in 1087, a church of six acres, named Waletuna was valued at 16 pence. The parish of Walton comprised the whole of the area from the sea to Trimley bounds and from the Orwell to the Deben, including Falkenham, Felixstowe being a much later development. The present St Mary's Church incorporates the ruins of a 14th century church, and the ruined buttress of the old tower stands separated from the church near the south porch. Unlike Aldringham where the tower has not been rebuilt, the existing south porch and clock tower were built in 1899.

I had a speedy walk from Felixstowe town beside the sea with a following breeze and up the Deben estuary to the little church of St Nicholas at the ferry. Here I paused for a cup of coffee and a chat with a retired landscape gardener who was recording cyclists and walkers. He said he used to live on

the edge of Felixstowe overlooking the golf course but he now lives in the same house within Felixstowe owing to the residential expansion.

One of the most enjoyable parts of the walk was across the fields from the King's Fleet beside the river Deben to St Ethbert, Falkenham. I love this tiny hamlet, tucked away from the enormous expansion of Felixstowe. The Church of St Ethelbert has an unusual apsidal chancel added in the mid-19th century and a hammerbeam roof in the nave dating from the early 16th century. I was greeted enthusiastically by the same lady who had been working in the churchyard two years ago! The church had successfully applied to the heritage lottery fund in addition to a grant from the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust for repairs to the west tower. I was shown the completed work and the congregation will be able to return to worship within the church once the scaffolding has been removed.

Having visited St Mary and St Martin's church at Kirton, I crossed the A14 by footbridge to Trimley St Martin. Here I ate my packed lunch in the comfortable sitting room at the

Methodist Church. The two ladies in charge said that the original 19th century church was destroyed in the 1986 gales. I was told that, immediately after the disaster, one of the wardens suggested putting a notice on the church door to say that there would be no services that Sunday and he was told that this would not be necessary since the roof had blown into the High Road and a tree had fallen onto the church almost demolishing the building. An insurance claim provided funds for re-building, the insurers stipulating that the new church should incorporate community use rooms. These include a room currently used by a pre-school group. The church itself has a beautiful stained glass window which commemorates the re-building and, unusually for a non-conformist church, a small spire.

St Philip's Church in Wadgate Lane and the chapel of the Convent of Jesus and Mary in Orwell Road were the last two places of worship that I visited at the end of a wonderful day.

 All Souls Service 

Remembering Our Loved Ones

Aldeburgh Parish Church
Saturday 31 October · 6.00 pm

The Revd Sarah du Boulay warmly invites you, your friends and family to join us for a special All Souls Service.

This is an opportunity to call to mind those whom we love but see no more — to remember them, say a gentle prayer, and light a candle in their memory.

Please do join us after the service for refreshments and reflection.

Everyone is most welcome

What's On Across The Alde Sandlings Benefice

Weekly Worship

Morning Prayer at 9am

Monday

- Aldeburgh

Tuesday

- Knodishall

Wednesday

- Aldeburgh

Thursday

- Aldringham

Friday

- Aldeburgh

Holy Communion Service every Wednesday at 10am
Aldeburgh Parish Church

Dates for Your Diary

Sunday 20th September at 9.30am

Harvest Festival Service

Knodishall Parish Church

Sunday 27th September at 11am

Harvest Festival Service

Aldringham Parish Church

Saturday 3rd October, 10am – 12pm

Harvest Messy Church

Aldeburgh Parish Church

Sunday 4th October at 11am

Harvest Festival Service

Aldeburgh Parish Church

Monday 26th October at 12pm

Nadia Lasserson fundraising concert in aid of Save the Children

Aldeburgh Parish Church

Saturday 31st October at 6pm

Benefice All Souls Service

Aldeburgh Parish Church

Sunday 8th November

Remembrance Sunday Services

10am Aldeburgh Parish Church

10.50am At War Memorial

10.50am Aldringham, Knodishall & Friston Parish Churches

Sunday 22nd November at 11am

Patronal Festival Service

Aldringham Parish Church

Sunday 29th November at 6pm

Advent Carol Service

Aldringham Parish Church

Sunday 29th November at 9.30am
Benefice Holy Communion Service
Friston Parish Church

Saturday 5th December at 4pm
Christingle Service
Aldeburgh Parish Church

Sunday 6th December at 3pm
Benjamin Britten Thanksgiving Service with Britten Pears Arts
Aldeburgh Parish Church

Saturday 12th December, 10am – 12pm
Christmas Messy Church
Aldeburgh Parish Church

Sunday 13th December at 6pm
Advent Carol Service
Friston Parish Church

Sunday 20th December
Carol Services
11am Aldringham Parish Church
3pm Knodishall Village Hall. The British Legion Band are providing music for the carols. Mulled wine and seasonal nibbles will be served afterwards.
6pm Aldeburgh Parish Church

Christmas Eve at 3.30pm
Crib Service
Aldeburgh Parish Church

Christmas Eve at 11.30pm
Midnight Mass
Aldeburgh Parish Church

Christmas Day Services
9.30am – Knodishall and Friston
11am – Aldeburgh & Aldringham

Sunday 27th December at 11am

Benefice Service

Aldeburgh Parish Church

Safeguarding at The Alde Sandlings Benefice

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