

Benefice Noticeboard

~ **Stride N Ride** – The annual Stride N Ride in conjunction with Historic Churches will be taking place on **Saturday 12th September from 10am-4pm**. Please keep a check on the newsletter for those seeking sponsorship. Please do support them where you can, thank you.

~**Help with home heating oil** – If you are struggling with the cost of home heating oil, you may qualify for financial support. For further information please visit www.northnorthants.gov.uk/crf

~ **Benefice Service** – Our next Benefice Service will be on **Sunday 9th August at 11am in St Laurence's Church, Stanwick** for their Patronal Festival. Everyone welcome.

~ **Messy Church** – Please note there will be no Messy Church in August as the team are taking a well deserved rest. Our next Messy Church will be on **Saturday 5th September 3pm-5pm**.

Readings for Sunday 26th July The Eighth Sunday After Trinity

Psalm 105: 1-11, 45
Genesis 29: 15-28
1 Kings 3: 5-12
Romans 8: 26-end
Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52



Sunday 19th July 2026
The Seventh Sunday After Trinity
Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

The Parable of the Weeds

²⁴ Jesus told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. ²⁵ But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. ²⁶ When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared. ²⁷ “The owner’s servants came to him and said, ‘Sir, didn’t you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?’ ²⁸ “An enemy did this,’ he replied. “The servants asked him, ‘Do you want us to go and pull them up?’ ²⁹ “No,’ he answered, ‘because while you are pulling the weeds, you may uproot the wheat with them. ³⁰ Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn.”

The Parable of the Weeds Explained

³⁶ Then he left the crowd and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field.” ³⁷ He answered, “The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸ The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the people of the kingdom. The weeds are the people of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. ⁴⁰ “As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. ⁴² They will throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears, let them hear.

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St Peter, Raunds

Churchwardens

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Today: 11am Sunday Service

3:30pm Evensong

This week

Monday 11:30am Funeral – Peter Dawson

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday 11am Holy Communion

2pm Baptism – Alfie Lowndes

All Hallows, Hargrave

Churchwardens

Savitri Pollard Tel. 626960, Paul Birch Tel. 07885 768763

Today: 9am Holy Communion

This Week

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday 10am Holy Communion

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday 11am Sunday Service

Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary, Ringstead

Churchwardens

Rosemarie Coles Tel. 624262, Ian Gallagher 07515 020775

Today: 11am Sunday Service

This week

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday 9am Holy Communion

St Laurence, Stanwick

Churchwardens

Sam Chambers Tel. 623855, Lisa Adair 07742 327996

Today: 11am Holy Communion

This Week

Monday

Tuesday 4pm- 5:30pm Bell Ringing Practice

7:30pm Church wardens Admission Service – St Peter's
Oundle for Sam & Lisa

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday 11am Sunday Service