



† GREAT YARMOUTH MINSTER † ST PAUL'S † ST MARY'S

Sunday 9th August 2026 – Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Services Today:

09.30 Sunday Worship with Holy Communion at St Paul's

10.30 Sunday Worship with Holy Communion at the Minster

11.00 Sunday Worship with Holy Communion at St Mary's

Reflection

Here in Great Yarmouth we are surrounded by water, as I pointed out to some visitors this week: sea on one side and river and estuary on the other. I therefore feel the story of Jesus walking on water seems appropriate for our parish. It speaks powerfully to the realities of life that we all know: moments of fear, uncertainty and feeling overwhelmed by circumstances beyond our control. The disciples, caught in the storm, could not see a way forward until they encountered Christ in the midst of their struggle. This is the enduring hope of the Christian faith. God does not promise a life without storms, but does promise his presence within them. Often, it is in the most difficult seasons that we become most aware of Christ drawing near, speaking words of reassurance: "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

As we journey through this week, whatever lies ahead, may we remember that Christ still comes to us among the waves. His presence brings courage in uncertainty, hope in difficulty, and the peace that steadies us until the storm has passed.

Fr Simon

This Week's Diary

Minster open daily 10am-12pm. Morning Prayer is said daily Monday - Thursday in the Minster at 9am. All welcome

Date	Time	Service/Event	Church/Location
Monday 10th Aug	10.00	Craft Group	St Mary's Hall
	14.00	Place of Welcome	St Paul's
	17.00	Faith and Friends with the 'Vox' course for 11 - 18yr olds	Minster
Tuesday 11th	12.00	Lunchtime Holy Communion	Minster
	14.30	Hand Bell Ringers Practice	Minster – Vestry
Wednesday 12th	10.00	Midweek Holy Communion	St Mary's
	12.15	Wednesday Club	St Mary's Hall
	12.30	Echos at the Minster – G&S Singers	Minster
Thursday 13th	10.00	Reflective Space	St Mary's
	19.00	Bell Ringers Practice	Minster - Bell Tower
Friday 14th			
Saturday 15th	10.00	Vestry Hour	Minster – Vestry
	11.00	VJ Day Service	FEPOW Memorial
	15.00	Wedding	Minster
	16.00	ReNew	Minster Mission – "Pathway"
Sunday 16th	09.30	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion	St Paul's
	10.30	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion	Minster
	11.00	Sunday Worship with Holy Communion	St Mary's
	12.30	Baptism	Minster
	18.00	Ecumenical Seafront Service	Anchor Gardens

Notices

Hymn Books: The Minster stock of red hymn books has dwindled! If you happen to see one looking lonely please reunite it with its friends. There is still space on the coach to see **Liz's licensing** on the 23rd August. Please let Sarah or any of the clergy know if you would like to come. Thank you.

Vox at Faith and Friends: Starting on Monday 3rd August at Faith & Friends, we will be offering participants the 'Vox' Course from Christianity Explored. This is an interactive course that explores who Jesus is and what he means for us. Based on Luke's Gospel. It lasts about 45 minutes each session. It is aimed at 11 - 18yr olds. The course will run each week through August and will start after games, food and fun.

VJ Day: There will be a ceremony to commemorate VJ Day on Saturday 15th August, 11am at the FEPOW Memorial on the seafront.

ReNew: 4pm on Saturday 15th August. ReNew is a place of welcome and fellowship, with a hot drink and a cake for everyone. It's a chance to pray and to worship. Above all it is a time to meet Jesus Christ. Open to anyone at The Minster Mission - "Pathway", Admiralty Road.

Ecumenical Seafront Service: Will be held at Anchor Gardens near Britannia Pier on 16th August.

St Mary's Garden Sale: Friday 21st August from 12noon. Stalls, Lunches and a BBQ.

The Portuguese Way: Another chance to hear Fr Simon talk about his recent journey on the Camino from Porto to Santiago de Compostela on Saturday 22nd August at 11am in the Minster. All welcome.

Gospel on the Beach. 22nd August at 2pm. Come and enjoy a free presentation of gospel Music. There is also an evening concert at 6pm at Great Yarmouth Minster. Tickets cost £10 and available from Eventbrite.

Echos at the Minster: Weekly lunchtime concerts from 3rd June to 30th September at 12.30pm. Free admission!

Echos at the Minster Evening Concert: 2nd September at 7.30pm. Loddon Band (Brass Band). £10 per ticket with refreshments.

Parking Reminder: Please stay vigilant by keeping all valuables (or anything that could be seen as valuable) out of sight in your car or take them with you. Thank you.

Minster Maintenance: Monday 24th August. Join us for some sweeping, tidying, and general upkeep. Everyone is welcome to lend a hand!

Parish Life Magazine: The August issue is out now. Send your articles to patstringer1840@gmail.com

Do you have a safeguarding concern? Email: safeguarding@gtyarmouthminster.org or call Nerys Dodds on 07739 166078

PARISH PRAYER LIST. Pray for those who are sick or in need, all who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit or in need of God's loving care: Kevin, Len, Rosemarie, Norman, Melanie, Veronica, Joanne, Dawn, Fred, Pauline.

We remember before God the recently departed: Margaret King