



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

Sunday 18th October 2026 – Luke the Evangelist

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
- 13.00 Trafalgar Day Service at Nelson's Monument
- 18.00 Choral Evensong at the Minster

Reflection

On 18th October, the Church celebrates St Luke the Evangelist, traditionally understood as the author of both the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. His Gospel has a particular concern for those on the margins of society: the poor, the sick, women, strangers and those often overlooked by others. Luke also contains many of the details of the Christmas story not found in other gospels such as the annunciation to Mary and the visit of the shepherds.

The fact that the angel visits and ordinary girl and tells humble shepherds to visit the stable in Bethlehem reveals something of Luke's view of the good news of Jesus Christ being for everyone, and that God's love is revealed in humility, compassion, welcome and practical care. His Gospel tells of the Good Samaritan, who crosses social boundaries to care for a stranger, and of Jesus' concern for those whom society excludes.

In a world marked by conflict, inequality and loneliness, this message remains profoundly relevant. Christian faith calls us to make God's love visible in the way we treat one another and understand the world.

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 19th Oct	10.00	Craft Group	St Mary's Hall
	14.00	Place of Welcome	St Paul's
	17.00	Faith and Friends	Minster
Tuesday 20th	12.00	Lunchtime Holy Communion	Minster
	14.30	Hand Bell Ringers Practice	Minster - Vestry
Wednesday 21st	10.00	Midweek Holy Communion	St Mary's
	10.00	Small Sounds	Minster
	12.15	Wednesday Club	St Mary's Hall
	14.15	Women's Fellowship - Michael Pearson "Old Yarmouth"	St Paul's
Thursday 22nd	10.00	Reflective Space	St Mary's
	12.00	Funeral of the late George (Peter) Thompson	Minster
	16.45	Choristers	Minster - Choir Vestry
	19.00	Bell Ringers Practice	Minster - Bell Tower
	19.00	Choir Rehearsal	Minster - Choir Vestry
Friday 23rd			
Saturday 24th	10.00	Vestry Hour	Minster – Vestry
	11.30	The Bible Course	Minster – Vestry
	12.30	Bingo!	St Mary's Hall
Sunday 25th	10.30	Parish Worship with Holy Communion	Minster
	12.30	Baptism	Minster
	15.00	Orchestra Rehearsal	Minster

Notices

Small Sounds: A fun, friendly music group for children aged 0-5 and their parents/carers. Come and make new friends with singing, musical play, rhythm and movement. Wednesdays during Term Time. 10am at the Minster.

Faith House with Hope into Action: We have gratefully secured a grant from GYBC to complete the refurbishment of Faith House. We are looking for (1) a Friendship and Support volunteer <https://www.hopeintoaction.org.uk/friendshipandsupportstory>, (2) help with gardening, decorating and DIY and (3) help with furnishings. Please contact Pam on 01493 858332.

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St Mary's Autumn Fayre: An Autumn sale and lunches in St Mary's church Hall on 30th October. From 12noon. Donations are needed for prizes. Please help if you can. Thank you

St Paul's Winter Fete: On Saturday 28th November between 11am and 2pm. In St Paul's Church Hall.

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 26th October at 18:00. Join us for some sweeping, tidying, and general upkeep. Everyone is welcome to lend a hand!

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

Do you have a safeguarding concern? Email: safeguarding@gtymouthminster.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, Joanne, Dawn, Pauline, Geoffrey, Carol, Christine, Fred and Amy. We remember before God the recently departed: Val Bartlett and Peter Thompson