

Prayer & Worship

Collect for the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than
we to pray
and to give more than either we desire or
deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of
your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our
conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of 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. Amen.

For Prayer

Those in need of our prayer:

Brian Forder, Claire, Connie,
Hilary Wakeman, Jenny Radnedge,
Jonathan, Joy, Margaret Rowe,
Margaret Townsend, Richard, Ros,
Val Rope, Verner Pedersen.

Year's Mind

Those who have died in the last 10 years:

Brian Spelman, Theo Wakeman

Others whose name appears in our book of remembrance from earlier years:

*Brian Hubbard, Sidney Savage,
Eileen Ryder, Kevin Haggerty,
Molly Welbank, Ethel Hunt*

Sunday 23rd August Twelfth after Trinity

8.00am BCP Communion
led by Edward Carter

 10.00am Sung Eucharist
led by Edward Carter
with sermon given by Edward Carter

4.00pm Songs of Praise
at Chantry Hall
led by Catherine Waddams,
with sermon given by Edward Carter

This Week

Tuesday 25th August

1.00pm CW Communion,
led by Peter Varney

Wednesday 26th August

7.30am Communion
led by Edward Carter

 1.00pm Live-streamed reflection
led by Catherine Waddams

Thursday 27th August

1.00pm BCP Communion,
led by Edward Carter

Sunday 30th August Thirteenth after Trinity

8.00am BCP Communion
led by Edward Carter

 10.00am Sung Eucharist
led by Brian O'Rourke
with sermon given by Brian O'Rourke

5.00pm Evensong
led by Catherine Waddams,
with sermon given by Edward Carter

Mancroft News

The Weekly Newsletter for St Peter Mancroft, Norwich

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Welcome Debs!



Last week saw Debs Appleby arrive at the Church Office. She is taking over from Hannah Hill, who leaves at the end of the month.

Debs will be working with Diana Townsend in a job-share as our Parish Administrator, based at Chantry Hall.

Speaking last week, Mancroft's Vicar, Edward Carter, said:

"I'm delighted Debs is joining the team – she brings plenty of experience in church administration work. We wish Hannah all the best as she heads into a new phase of life."

Debs's usual times in the office will be Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning, so if you're passing by please do drop in to say hello to her.

August Bank Holiday

Saturday 29th August

English Chamber Choir, 7.00pm

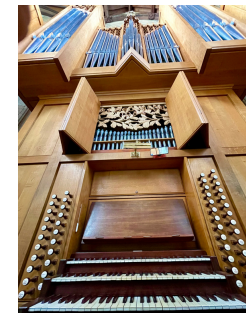
Sunday 30th August

Brielle Choir, 3.00pm

CHURCH & OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY 31st



Don't miss this chance



Heritage Open Days are all about giving people the opportunity to see or try something they would not ordinarily be able to do.

After his 1.00pm organ recital on

Saturday 12th September, Julian Haggett will be inviting people to have a go at playing our wonderful Collins Organ, starting at approximately 2.00pm.

This was so popular last year that you will need to book your place on the Heritage Open Days website this year.

While you're there you can book for any of the other seventeen events we will be holding for 2026.

23rd August - Tea and Worship

ON SUNDAY 23RD AUGUST

the afternoon service will be a
Songs of Praise in the Chantry Hall at **4.00pm**.

This will replace the
usual service of Evensong at church.

The Songs of Praise will be preceded by
tea and refreshments at **3.00pm**.

ALL ARE WELCOME

In early August there will be a sheet in church
for people to indicate if they're attending.

If you have any suggestions for hymns to be sung
at the Songs of Praise please let the Vicar know.

Celebrating Mancroft Life

Octagon filled for AI Meeting



Last Saturday morning saw some 30 people gather in the Octagon for a very engaging discussion about Artificial Intelligence. This was led by Justin Reynolds, a member of the Mancroft congregation, who has recently written a book entitled *AI and the Writer*.

Justin was in conversation with Mancroft's Vicar, Canon Edward Carter, with contributions from everyone who attended.

One of the themes was about whether there is a distinctively Christian response to AI.

Speaking after the session, Edward said: *"I'm very grateful to Justin for suggesting such an important subject for a discussion morning, and to everyone who made it such an interesting gathering."*

Robes Ready for Choir Return



Each Summer all the choir cassocks and surplices are given a professional clean, ready for the start of the music year in September. Last Wednesday morning they

arrived safely back at church looking beautiful. The choir returns from holiday on Sunday 6th September.

Prayers for Pastor Domitien



We have a regular Zoom link with Pastor Domitien Sabongerwa and members of his church in Burundi, but the most recent meeting had to be postponed as Domitien has been hit by a motorcycle and is on sick leave.

Please keep him in your prayers, and we're aiming to meet again next month.

If you are interested in joining these Zoom calls please speak to the Vicar.

CanYou Help?



If you're able to help welcome riders and striders to Mancroft on Saturday 12th September please can you let the Vicar know.

Sponsorship forms are also available for anyone wishing to take part.

**COME & SING
EVENSONG
SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER**

Join us for a special Evensong with music by Samuel Sebastian Wesley and Charles Wood



Directed by Jody James
with Julian Haggett, organ

Free of charge
Registration at 2.00pm
Afternoon rehearsal
Refreshments provided
Evensong at 5.00pm
Music provided

Please sign-up in advance:
01603 610443 or
music@stpetermancroft.org.uk

SPM St Peter Mancroft
Norwich

Notices and Forthcoming Events

James Huggins RIP



Following the recent sad death of James Huggins at the early age of 59, former Mancroft Verger Jason Davies writes:
I remember James very well, he was a

true character of Norwich. He wore traditional 1940s men's clothing most of the time, and cycled around Norwich on a vintage tradesmen's bike with all his tools attached. He did lots of odd jobs at Mancroft and at the Cathedral. He was a very skilled, calm and gentle person.

The funeral is at **12.30pm on Wednesday 9th September**, at the Earlham Burial Chapel.

10k Run



The annual Norwich 10k Run will be on Sunday 6th September, which means that access to the church carpark and to the church itself will be restricted.

Chantry Hall Pathway

As expected, this is now closed for the foreseeable future. Best access is now through St Stephens churchyard.

Save the Dates

All at 1.00pm:



September 5th, *Voices and Organ*
Gordon Pullin, Tim Patient

September 12th, *Organ*
Julian Haggett

September 19th, *piano*
Lewis Kingsley-Peart

September 26th, *soprano*
Katy Thompson

October 3rd, *kankles*
Emilija Karaliute

Serendipity 22nd August



Christian Meditation

We are meeting at 1.30 pm on Wednesdays
26 August
9 September
all are welcome, particularly "beginners"!

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