

Day	Date	We pray especially for...
Sunday	29th	...those worshipping today at Brooke and Topcroft commemorating St Peter.
Monday	30th	...ourselves with all our fears and anxieties.

Throughout, we pray for those who especially need your help at this time, remembering: Martin, Ian, Emma, Helen, Michael, Ann, Wendy , John, Cilla

Bedingham/Woodton: Sheila, Hilary, Peter, Liz, Anne, Bruce, Harry, Sally, Richard, Susan, Marco

Fritton/Morningthorpe: Jason

Hempnall: Lesley and family, Sophia, Claire, David

Long Term Care...

Bedingham/Woodton: Dennis, Shirley, Jacob

Fritton/Morningthorpe: Beryl

Hempnall: Colin

Mundham/Seething: Margaret, Nancy



Recently Deceased and Upcoming Funerals...

The Revd Canon Lynn Chapman, Gwen Harber, John Teague



The Brooke Benefice and The Hempnall Group Thoughts and Prayers June 2025

“upon this rock the church will be built”.....

The weather patterns we are experiencing have definitely changed from the traditional rolling on of the seasons that we all probably remember in years gone by. The cause of that may be the subject of some debate but nevertheless we are now moving from spring into summer. The days are long, the sun is hot, if there's shelter from the wind, and mostly, we feel better for it compared with long dreary winter.

The Church too continues to move through its seasons and the calendar of special days commemorating individuals who have played significant parts in its development and mission. Near the end of the month, on the 29th, is the day dedicated to St. Peter the Apostle and of course he is the patron saint of one of our churches, at Brooke. Peter wasn't his given name at the time he was called to be a disciple, that was Simon, but Jesus gave it to him in its original form that meant rock. Matthew's gospel goes on to say, “upon this rock the church will be built” and his presence and influence is throughout the New Testament. Our Roman Catholic friends have just elected Pope Leo XIV to be the direct successor of Peter, emphasising his importance right up to the modern era.



It occurs to me that just as the Church of Christ has stood for two millennia on a rock, a firm foundation, we all need secure footings under our lives in order to flourish and grow as we would wish. These can take many forms. Many find their family are the absolute bedrock upon which their lives are rooted. Others rely upon their vocation or work while some look for a spiritual dimension to their thinking. I believe, however, that the best answer is to look at Peter's example and to make Jesus and his message the underpinning of all we do. If it's stood firm for all this time surely it will continue to support anything we load upon it.

Have a lovely summer.

~Tim Francis~

Sunday Readings	
1st June 2025 7th Sunday of Easter	<i>Psalm 97</i> <i>Acts 16:16-34</i> <i>John 17:20-end</i>
8th June 2025 Pentecost	<i>Psalm 104:26-36, 37b</i> <i>Acts 2:1-21</i> <i>John 14:8-17 [25-27]</i>
15th June 2025 Trinity Sunday	<i>Psalm 8</i> <i>Romans 5:1-5</i> <i>John 16:12-15</i>
22nd June 2025 1st Sunday after Trinity	<i>Psalm 22:19-28</i> <i>Galatians 3:23-end</i> <i>Luke 8:26-39</i>
29th June 2025 Peter the Apostle	<i>Psalm 125</i> <i>Galatians 5:1, 13-25 or Acts 12:1-11</i> <i>Luke 9:51-end or Matthew 16:13-19</i>

Day	Date	We pray especially for...
Sunday	1st	...the congregations gathering today at Seething, Bedingham
Monday	2nd	... for all refugees and migrants forced into seeking safe
Tuesday	3rd	...those whose mission leads them into dangerous parts of
Wednesday	4th	...our churchwardens and designated persons maintaining the operation of our churches so selflessly.

Day	Date	We pray especially for...
Thursday	5th	...those working to understand and improve the world's environment.
Friday	6th	...all armed forces personnel on the anniversary of D-Day.
Saturday	7th	...everyone attending sporting functions today.
Sunday	8th	...Christians throughout the world experiencing the coming of the Spirit at Pentecost.
Monday	9th	...emergency service workers giving aid to others.
Tuesday	10th	...those working to ensure Human Rights for all people.
Wednesday	11th	...all those in hospital and the staff caring for them.
Thursday	12th	... all those working to make the lives of children better.
Friday	13th	...those whose lives are affected by domestic violence of any kind.
Saturday	14th	...local shop workers and other providers in our villages. .
Sunday	15th	...all considering the wonder of the Holy Trinity.
Monday	16th	...residents of care homes and hospices.
Tuesday	17th	... all with debt and financial worries.
Wednesday	18th	... employees of those providing us with essential services.
Thursday	19th	...those giving thanks for receiving Holy Communion on Corpus Christi.
Friday	20th	...those celebrating the Summer Solstice.
Saturday	21st	...the disabled that they may live fulfilled and meaningful lives.
Sunday	22nd	...all whose lives are enriched by their companion animals.
Monday	23rd	...those working anti-social hours in order to serve our needs.
Tuesday	24th	...our friends and families wherever they are.
Wednesday	25th	...victims of slavery throughout the world.
Thursday	26th	...our bishops, clergy and ministers.
Friday	27th	...those who have recently died and their grieving families and friends.
Saturday	28th	...all travelling on holiday that they may have safe and enjoyable vacations.