

KESTON PARISH CHURCH

MONTHLY PEW SHEET

August 2025



Sun	3rd Aug	8am 10am	BCP HC (1662) Celebrational Worship (non Communion)
Mon	4th Aug	No Morning	Prayer or said Communion
Tue	5th Aug	9.30 am	Prayer Walk
Fri	8th Aug		No Choir Practice
Sat	9th Aug	NO Healing & Wholeness Service	
Sun	10th Aug	10am	Holy Communion Service
Mon	11th Aug	No Morning	Prayer or said Communion
Fri	15th Aug		No Choir Practice
Sun	17th Aug	10am	Holy Communion Service with prayer for Healing & Wholeness
Mon	18th Aug	No Morning	Prayer or said Communion
Wed	20th Aug	9.30 am 7 pm	Prayer Walk Men's Group @ Greyhound
Fri	22nd Aug		No Choir Practice
Sun	24th Aug	10 am 2 pm	Holy Communion Service Baptism of Nicholas at Rochester Cathedral
Mon	25th Aug	No Morning	Prayer or said Communion
Fri	29th Aug		No Choir Practice
Sun	31st Aug	10am	Holy Communion Service
Mon	1st Sep	No Morning	Prayer or said Communion
Tue	2nd Sep	9.30 am	Prayer Walk
Wed	3rd Sep	7.15 pm	Church Social at King's Arms
Fri	5th Sep		No Choir Practice
Sun	7th Sep	8am 10am 3pm	BCP Celebrational Worship (non Communion) Back to School Service for children, young people & families

WELCOME to this service today, especially if you are a visitor. Hope you leave feeling blessed and minded to come again. If you use a hearing aid, please put it to the "T" setting. Large print copies of the service are available – please ask.

HOLY COMMUNION is offered every Sunday at 10am (except the first Sunday of the month when it is at 8am) & each Monday morning at 8am in this Parish Church. At Communion we come together as members of the one Body of Christ. ***Everyone is welcome at the Lord's Table, the table of Jesus Christ. Please all come up when invited by the Sidespeople. Those who wish for a blessing, please come up with everyone else and keep your hands by your side.*** If you require a gluten free wafer please inform one of the welcomers or the rector before the service. Following our APCM and recent PCC meeting, Holy Communion is offered in both kinds with wine in the Common Cup. Should you still be anxious, do come up for a wafer, and then return to your seat. Receiving in one kind is to receive the sacrament in its entirety.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS – These are important landmarks in the life of any family. Your Parish Church is here to mark these important times with you. Baptisms, also called christenings can be conducted at any age – please ask. Confirmation is the next step if you were baptised as a child or an infant, and is usually offered just after you start Secondary School and is when you make the promises for yourselves. Don't worry if you have passed that age, God always welcomes you. If you get baptised as an adult, you will usually be invited to be confirmed at the same time. **Please speak to Reverend Belinda to register your interest.** Reverend Belinda can be contacted on 01689 853186 or by email rector@kestonparishchurch.org.uk regarding any of the above.

1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH SERVICE is Celebrational Worship and is a non-Communion service including contemporary hymns and songs. It is a service of the Word (built around the Word of God in scripture) and is intergenerational and suitable for all the family. Tea, coffee, squash and biscuits are offered after the service. All are very welcome. Bring a friend.

MONDAY - MORNING PRAYER @ 7.40am followed by HOLY COMMUNION @ 8am (½ hour). A good start to the week as we place our week in God's hands. We pray for the needs of our Parish, its Church and its Community. Please do pop by on your way to work. There is a free car park while you attend. All are very welcome. **No Monday morning services in August & on 1st September. Sorry for any inconvenience.**

PRAYER WALKS – Every 1st Tuesday & 3rd Wednesday of the month, Tue 5th & Wed 20th Aug, then Tue 2nd and Wed 17th September. Please come along with or without a dog, and enjoy a good chatter, then stop, reflect and pray. We assemble at 9.30 am on Commonsides on the green near the Greyhound Pub, and usually end up at/in Heathfields at 11ish to have a 'cuppa'.

MEN'S PUB SOCIAL – Every 3rd Wednesday of the month 20th August, then 17th September at the Greyhound pub at 7 pm.

HEALING & WHOLENESS at 3RD SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE – On the third Sunday of each month, (**17th August, then 21st Sept**) just after taking Communion there is the opportunity to go through to the foyer where church members will be happy to pray with and for you. **A Healing and Wholeness service with anointing is usually offered on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 11.20am. All welcome. (There will not be a service on Saturday 9th August, due to holiday.)**

INVITATION TO BAPTISM OF NICOLAS BECKHELLING on **Sunday 24th August @ 2pm at Rochester Cathedral**, followed by Afternoon Tea in the Common Room of La Providence, Rochester High Street. You are most welcome.

CHURCH SOCIALS – the next Church get together is a lunch on **Wednesday 3rd September at 7 pm at the King's Arms, Leaves Green**. Please put your name on the list if you would like to come along.

BACK TO SCHOOL Church Service Sunday 7th September @ 3 pm. Including prayer and blessing for a happy, positive and successful school year. All students welcome whether school, college or university.

PARISH LUNCH, SUNDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER @ 12 NOON – 3 PM in Keston Church Hall. Tickets £18 from Chris 07988 712837, bring your own drinks and glasses.

BOOK READING FELLOWSHIP – Monday 29th September at 2 pm in Gravel Road. Come and discuss books with some Christian content that you have read, or some good suggestions, over tea/coffee and home made cake! Please let Sally know if you would like to come along. All very welcome.

PET SERVICE SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER @ 3 PM – Informal service with blessings for pets, and their owners if they want it.

NEXT MESSY CHURCH – TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER - 10 AM – 12 NOON. Please tell all your friends about this event, where we have crafts, activities, Church celebrations with music, and a lunch. All ages are very welcome.

PLEASE NOTE: We will be cleaning the upholstery on the red hall chairs in batches of 10 following the Sunday morning services during August and any help would be greatly appreciated! Please see Tricia if you can help. Thank you.

OUR SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT - We want our church to be a safe place for everyone – a place where the love of God shines through all we do. Therefore, in accordance with the Government, the Church of England, the Charity Commission and our insurance company, our workers/volunteers are safely recruited (including DBS check if legally eligible), regularly trained and we adhere to Diocesan Safeguarding Policies. Our Safeguarding Officer is Steff Nash please speak to him if you have any questions or concerns or contact him on safeguarding@kestonparishchurch.org.uk

3rd August – 7th Sunday after Trinity

**Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow:
Though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12 – 14; 2: 18 – 23; Luke 12: 13 – 21 (NLT Bible)

10th August – 8th Sunday after Trinity

**Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven
And became poor for our sake:
When we prosper save us from pride,
When we are needy save us from despair,
That we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

Genesis 15: 1 – 6; Luke 12: 32 – 40 (NRSV Bible)

17th August – 9th Sunday after Trinity

**Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day,
And make her holy, strong and faithful,
For your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Jeremiah 23: 23 – 29; Luke 12: 49 – 56 (NRSV Bible)

24th August – 10th Sunday after Trinity

**Lord of heaven and earth,
As Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer,
Give us patience and courage never to lose hope,
But always to bring our prayers before you;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Isaiah 58: 9b – end; Luke 13.10-17 (NRSV Bible)

31st August - 11th Sunday after Trinity

**God of glory, the end of our searching,
Help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,
And to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price,
Through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

Ecclesiasticus 10: 12 – 18; Luke 14: 1, 7 – 14 (NRSV Bible)