

Services in the United Benefice

Sunday 16th September 2018 - Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 19)

9:00 am	Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Family Service	NW	Richard Phillips
10:30 am	Family Service with Baptism	LC	Richard Phillips
6:00 pm	Benefice Confirmation Service	LC	Bishop of Buckingham

Sunday 23rd September 2018 - Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 20)

8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Harvest Festival	Ch	Richard Phillips
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	Derek Witchell
6:00 pm	Evensong	NW	Richard Phillips

Sunday 30th September 2018 - Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 21)

10:00 am	Benefice Holy Communion	NW	Richard Phillips
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This is a fifth Sunday and there will be no other Benefice service on this day

Sunday 7th October 2018 - Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 22)

9:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Café Sunday Team
10:00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ch	Steve and Rose Williams

Sunday 14th October 2018 - Twentieth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 23)

9:00 am	Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	Richard Phillips
4:00 pm	Messy Church (Village Hall)	Ch	Messy Church Team
6:00 pm	Evensong	NW	John Scholefield

Sunday 21st October 2018 – Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity (Proper 24)

9:00 am	Holy Communion	LC	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Chearsley Praise	Ch	John Scholefield
10:00 am	Matins	NW	Robert Spencer Bernard
10:30 am	Family Service with Baptism	LC	Richard Phillips

If you have events coming up in the Benefice and would like them included in future Pew Sheets, please let us have the details on johnscholefield.ilm@gmail.com Please note that your wording may have to be edited to fit the available space - John and Jenny Scholefield

Here is the new service pattern to start on 7th October (the First Sunday is unchanged):

Sunday	Long Crendon	Chearsley	Nether Winchendon
1 st	10 am Café Sunday	10 am Family Communion	9 am BCP Communion
2 nd	10.30 am Family Communion	9 am Holy Communion 4 pm Messy Church	6 pm BCP Evensong
3 rd	9 am BCP Communion 10:30 am Family Service	10 am Chearsley Praise	10 am BCP Matins
4 th	9 am BCP Communion 10.30 Family Communion	6 pm BCP Evensong	10 am Family Service
5 th	Joint Benefice Service as before		

You are very welcome to take your Pew Sheet home.

Please see the back page for a list of upcoming services in the United Benefice

Sunday 16th September 2018 - CW edition



The United Benefice of Long Crendon (LC), Chearsley (Ch) & Nether Winchendon (NW)

WELCOME EVERYONE TODAY AND EVERY DAY



Parish prayer points for September

Prayer is the foundation of all we do in our daily lives as well as in our church life - after all, a relationship thrives on communication. As we pray throughout this month on our own, or in gatherings on Sundays and during the week: In our three churches, we give thanks for all who lead and help with our worship and activities for children and youth. We also pray for the candidates being confirmed on 16th September. In our three villages, we pray for our schools and pre-schools. For teachers and staff, governors, and the children they serve. For a fruitful academic year ahead.

Collects for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through 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

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings for Today



The Old Testament: Isaiah 50.4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he awakens - awakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God

helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The Epistle: James 3.1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue - a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The Gospel: St. Mark 8.27-end

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his

disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Notes for your diary:

Saturday 15th September, 7-10:30pm, Friends of St. Mary's "Gin Agin" evening at The Old Police House, 5 High Street, Long Crendon. Tickets £30 a head to include food and drink (and sampling up to 20 different gins...!). Please book on 208837. (Information at Friends@FSMLongCrendon.org / Fsmstrongcrendon / @fsmstrongcrendon)

Sunday 16th September, 6:00 pm, Bishop Alan will be coming to take the Confirmation service in Long Crendon

Saturday 22nd September, St. Mary's, 10:30-12:00 and 2:30-4:30, come and celebrate 10 years of restoration work on our beautiful parish church. Hear about the history and heritage, talks at 11am and 3:30pm. Bell peal in the morning, Children's treasure hunt. Free refreshments, organ recital and tower open in the afternoon.

Saturday 22nd September, Chearsley Harvest Supper, 7:30-11pm in our new Village Hall. Tickets £12 from Tara on 201049 and Joy on 208513. Two course meal with extras, plus Jazz, entertainment, and raffle. Offers of salads, quiches or desserts to Tara please asap!

Saturday 6th October, Monthly Prayer Gathering at St. Mary's Long Crendon, 9:30-10:30 am to focus on the three villages and wider issues. All welcome. Ray Copping and Geoff Hogbin

23rd-27th October, Inter Church Productions "The Sound of Music" at Lord Williams's Upper School, Thame. Tickets available in September. For more information see www.interchurchproductions.com