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**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2016 - CW edition**



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

**WELCOME EVERYONE TODAY AND EVERY DAY**

### **Prayer**



Almighty God, in whose service lies perfect freedom: teach us to obey you with loving hearts and steadfast wills; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **Collect for the Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity**

Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; 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**

### **Readings for Today:**



### **The Old Testament: Genesis 32.22-31**

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have

seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

### **The Epistle: 2 Timothy 3.14 to 4.5**

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

### **The Gospel: St. Luke 18.1-8**

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

## Post Communion Prayer

Father of light, in whom is no change or shadow of turning, you give us every good and perfect gift and have brought us to birth by your word of truth: may we be a living sign of that kingdom where your whole creation will be made perfect in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### Notes for your diary:

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October**, 10:30 am St. Mary's, Harvest Family Service – the children will be invited to bring forward gifts of non-perishable foods (tins and packets) for the Food Bank. A Bring and Share Harvest Lunch will follow (at about 12:30 pm) in Church House. A sign up list for food is available from Lesley Charnock. Please contact her on 201445 for details.

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October**, 7:30 pm in St. Mary's, "Flanders and Swann Revisited" by Michael Lunts. Wine, soft drinks and canapés will be available during a short interval. Tickets in advance £10 adults, £2 children (£12 and £3 on the night). Book through [www.FSMLongCrendon.org](http://www.FSMLongCrendon.org) or e-mail [friends@FSMLongCrendon.org](mailto:friends@FSMLongCrendon.org) or call Geoff Smith 01844 208205

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November**, Quiz Night at 7:30 pm in Church House, Long Crendon. Tickets £12 per person to include Cottage Pie supper (or vegetarian alternative) and dessert. Please bring own drinks, glasses, plates and cutlery. Teams of 8 per table. Prizes, Raffle, Games. Everyone welcome. All proceeds go to help preserve and improve the fabric of our lovely old village church, St. Mary's. Booking info as above (Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October) or call Chris Miller on 208027.

## Services in the United Benefice

### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2016 – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity (Proper 24)**

9.00 am	Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips
10.00 am	Family Service	NW	Robert Hutton
10:30 am	Family Service (Harvest)	LC	Richard Phillips

### **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2016 – 22<sup>nd</sup> and last Sunday after Trinity (CW), also called Bible Sunday (Proper 25)**

8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Derek Witchell
10.00 am	Family Service	Ch	John Scholefield
10.30 am	Holy Communion with choir	LC	Derek Witchell
6:00 pm	Evensong	NW	Robert Hutton

### **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2016 – All Saints' Day**

10:00 am	United Benefice Service	Ch	Richard Phillips
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Note: this is a fifth Sunday and there will be no service in Long Crendon or Nether Winchendon on this day

### **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2016 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Advent (CW) and 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity (BCP)**

9.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW	Richard Phillips
10.00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Rob Freestone

### **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2016 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent (CW) and 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity (BCP), Remembrance Sunday**

8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Morning Celebration	Ch	Lay Led
10:00 am	War Memorial Service	LC	Richard Phillips
10:15 am	Service of Remembrance	NW	Robert Hutton
10:30 am	Civic Service	LC	Richard Phillips
10:45 am	War Memorial Service	Ch	John Scholefield
6.00 pm	Evensong	Ch	John Scholefield

### **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016 – The Sunday Next Before Advent, also called Christ the King**

9.00 am	Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips
10.00 am	Family/Toy Service	NW	Richard Phillips
10:30 am	Family/Toy Service	LC	Ray Copping

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 [llm.chearsley@btinternet.com](mailto:llm.chearsley@btinternet.com) Please note that your wording may have to be edited to fit the available space - John and Jenny Scholefield