## **OUR CHURCHES' DIARY**

11th August

### TODAY TRINITY 8

Little Chesterford	No servi	ce
Great Chesterford	11.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION John Risby
Wendens Ambo	9.30 am	HOLY COMMUNION Tim Hardingham
Littlebury	11. <b>00</b> am	HOLY COMMUNION Tim Hardingham

Littlebury Green No service

Some other services you might be interested in **St Mary's Saffron Walden** 8.00 am Holy Communion

#### THIS WEEK

Wednesday 14th August 9.15 am RiPPles 9.30 am Holy Communion 2.00 pm Tea at Two	Great Chesterford Saffron Walden Great Chesterford
Thursday 15th August 4.30 pm Prayer for Littlebury	Cam House, Littlebury
Friday 16th August 9.30 am Morning Prayer	Wendens Ambo
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Little Chesterford	9.30 am	HOLY COMMUNION		
Great Chesterford		HOLY COMMUNION FAMILY SERV ICE		
Wendens Ambo	9.30 am	MORNING PRAYER		
Littlebury	11.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION		
Littlebury Green	9.30 am	HOLY COMMUNION		
Holy Communion readings for next Sunday:				

Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Luke 12:49-56

## MINISTRY TEAM

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### THE TRANSITION PROJECT

Looking for a job? Self-help and support, CV writing and improving, Interview practice, job search, discussion. Tuesdays 10am to 12 noon in the Parish Rooms, beside St Mary's Church, Saffron Walden www.transitionproject.co.uk SAFFRON WALDEN & VILLAGES TEAM MINISTRY

# The Grapevine

COVERING THE CHURCHES OF GREAT & LITTLE CHESTERFORD, LITTLEBURY WITH LITTLEBURY GREEN, & WENDENS AMBO

# Welcome to our services today Eighth Sunday after Trinity

#### Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### First Reading Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old - and Sarah herself was barren because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.' All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

#### Gospel Luke 12.32-40

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat. and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

#### **Post Communion**

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

#### Those whose banns of marriage are being read: Lucy Hall and George Every (Great Chesterford)

Those who are unwell: Margaret Reed and Marjorie Haylock (Great Chesterford)

Mary Wright (Littlebury)

Those who need our support: Betty Dowsett (Littlebury Green) Lucy Maskell (Great Chestford)

**Friends and families of those who have died:** Roger Foot (Great Chesterford) Those whose anniversaries are this week

## Other topics for your prayers:

- Young people awaiting examination results
- That those on holiday may travel safely and return refreshed
- Support for the vulnerable in our communities and the Good Neighbour project in Great Chesterford
- The government of our nation
- The people of Kashmir
- The world and our stewardship of its resources

## NOTICES

#### Any feedback and/or details of forthcoming events should be sent to 5churchesgrapevine@gmail.com copied to elizmarshall179@btinternet.com 9by Wednesday evening to ensure inclusion in the following Sunday's edition.

*Aftershock*: for our 11-18 year olds. Meets on Sundays 7 to 8.30 pm in the Parish Rooms, Saffron Walden during term-time.

*RiPPles*: once a month (2nd Wednesday) meeting for women based on prayer, practicality and outreach to the community at All Saints, Great Chesterford.

*Wednesday at 4* at All Saints, Great Chesterford is a half-hour of silent prayer to which everyone is welcome. (Not on 2nd Wednesday in the month when there is **Tea at 2**)

**Prayer for Littlebury** Generally meets at Cam House, Roman Way on Thursday afternoons at 4.30 pm . This is a short time of open prayer for Littlebury and its residents to which everybody is very welcome. If you would like to join them or have someone or something you would like the group to pray for contact Judy Andrew on 527877 or judycamhouse@aol.com

## MORNING PRAYER

The Friday Morning Prayer cycle round the 5 churches at 9.30 am :

Friday 16th AugustWendens AmboFriday 23rd AugustGreat ChesterfordFriday 30th AugustLittleburyThere will be no Morning Prayer at All Saints GreatChesterford on Tuesday and Thursday mornings inAugust. As from September Alex will say MorningPrayer at 8 am on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

## EVENTS

St Mary's, Saffron Walden 23rd-25th August FLOWER FESTIVAL

Sunday 25th August 3.30 pm ALL SAINTS, GREAT CHESTERFORD **Claydon Chamber Orchestra** Conducted by Hugh Molloy *Retiring collection in aid of Lifeline Romania with Chesterfords Aid and All Saints Church* 

## FRIDAY PRAYER CYCLE

As from the beginning of September the service at 9.30 am on Friday mornings in the 5 Churches will be an informal service of Holy Communion. The first of these will be on Friday 6th September at Little Chesterford

#### Díary Dates

Sunday 8th September CAM CHURCHES TOGETHER 10 am at Littlebury

FULL CHORAL EVENSONG 6.30 pm at Little Chesterford

Saturday 14th September TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC & PARACHUTE JUMP 2.30 pm Great Chesterford Churchyard

> Sunday 20th October DEANERY SERVICE 6.30 pm Great Chesterford

## TEAM WEEKEND AWAY 2020

The next Saffron Walden & Villages Team Weekend Away is will be 12-14 June at the Belsey Bridge Conference Centre which provided a terrific setting, accommodation and food in 2018. The team is planning another weekend of learning, worship, fellowship and activities for children and young people.

Please see the booking forms and posters for more details.

## *Don't forget to keep up to date by visiting our* CAM VILLAGES WEBSITE

The website is user friendly, has all our latest news and you will be able to see what is going on in all our churches at a glance.

Please visit www.camvillages.org.uk