

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.

Old Testament Reading (Great Chesterford) p 3

New Testament Reading *Romans 9.1-5*

I am speaking the truth in Christ – I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit – I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

Gospel *Matthew 14.13-21*

When Jesus heard that Herod had beheaded John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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 who are unwell:

Ken Harvey (Wendens Ambo)
Shirley Green (Littlebury)
Michelle Thomson (Littlebury Green)
Margaret Reed, David Cook and Valerie Clift
(Gt Chesterford)

Those who need our support:

Betty Dowsett (Littlebury Green)
Lucy Maskell (Great Chesterford)
Kylie Moore-Gilbert (in prison in Iran)

Friends and families of those who have died:

Those whose anniversaries are this week
Tony Hardell (Little Chesterford)

Other topics for your prayers

- For young people awaiting assessment results in place of GCSE and A level examinations
- For ongoing efforts to contain Covid-19,
- For countries especially in the developing world where there is little hope of being able to contain it
- For responsible behaviour to ensure the continued relaxation of lockdown
- Our churches as we look ahead with what we have learned during lockdown of new ways to worship
- Those missing loved ones who have died

OUR CHURCHES

iving to our churches

If you wish to make a donation to our churches we are now able to do offer online giving. Just visit the 'Giving' section of our website (www.camvillages.org.uk) and follow the instructions. Thanks, too, to those who have chosen to commit to regular planned giving.

Getting back to our services in church

We are now beginning to hold services back in our churches, where possible, in our usual pattern of worship. When coming to church please note the instructions for sanitising and distancing etc. Some services will be live streamed and some still on Zoom.

The YouTube Service will continue until mid-August. We have appreciated so much the input of Oli King, St Mary's Director of Music and the wide variety of musicians who have taken part in the YouTube service over the lockdown weeks

Website

Keep up to date with all that's going on by visiting our website <https://camvillages.org.uk>

Children's Work

There are activities for young people of all ages on the website prepared by our children's ministry team.

Access

On page 4 you will find details of how to access the services that are going to be live streamed together with Zoom services and YouTube

Holiday Time

Please note that Alex is on holiday until 11th August. The Revd Chris Bishop will be leading the YouTube service while Alex is away

PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

And I pray thee, merciful Jesus, that as Thou has graciously granted me to drink down sweetly from the Word which tells of Thee, so wilt Thou kindly grant that I may come at length to Thee, the fount of all wisdom, and stand before Thy face for ever.
Bede 675-735

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

THANK YOU . . . to those of you who have responded to Alex's reminder not to forget your church in this time of difficulty and challenge. You can now give online too.

OPEN CHURCHES

Our churches are now open for private prayer.
All Saints, Great Chesterford, is open on Wednesday and Sunday 10 am - 3 pm;
Holy Trinity, Littlebury is open on Wednesdays and Sundays 10 am - 4 pm;
St Mary, Wendens Ambo is open between 10 am and 4 pm on Wednesdays.
St Peter's, Littlebury Green will be open on Wednesdays and Sundays

WEDNESDAY 9.30 am ZOOM HOLY COMMUNION
with Caroline Curren & Alex Jeewan
For an invitation to Zoom services please contact Alex or Gillian (website.camvillages@gmail.com)

SUPPORTING EACH OTHER

There is support available in all our 5 communities during the lockdown. Contact details have been circulated. Don't hesitate to get in touch with them or to encourage your neighbours to - whatever the need.

KEEP IN TOUCH

With all that's going on via our churches' website www.camvillages.org.uk especially the variety of services available for us on Sundays

Old Testament Reading (Great Chesterford)

Isaiah 55:1-5

The Lord says this: Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me: listen, so that you may live. I will make you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

NEWS

PARISH OFFICE The Parish Office is still closed but is contactable by telephone and email as usual.

WEEKEND AWAY

There are still places available on the rescheduled weekend away **16th-18th July 2021**. Go to <http://stmaryssaffronwalden.org/weekendaway2021> for details and how to book.

OUR CHURCHES' DIARY

TODAY	2nd August	TRINITY 8
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Little Chesterford	9.30 am	HOLY COMMUNION John Risby
Great Chesterford	11.00 am	MORNING PRAYER Elizabeth Marshall
Wendens Ambo	9.30 am	FAMILY SERVICE Tim Hardingham
Littlebury	<i>No service</i>	
Littlebury Green	<i>No service</i>	

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 4th August		
5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Wednesday 5th August		
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Zoom
5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Thursday 6th August		
5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom

NEXT SUNDAY	TRINITY 9	9th August
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Little Chesterford	<i>No service</i>	
Great Chesterford	CAM CHURCHES TOGETHER 10.00 am Iona Morning Prayer	
Wendens Ambo	<i>No service</i>	
Littlebury	<i>No service</i>	
Littlebury Green	<i>No service</i>	

ACCESS

Live streamed services from Great Chesterford

Go to

<https://www.facebook.com/camvillageschurches>
Just before the service time and look out for the post which will say "CamVillages Churches is live". Click on the video in the post to watch the live stream.

Services on Zoom

Email Alex at vicar.camvillages@gmail.com or Gillian Hopton at website.camvillages@gmail.com for an invitation with the access codes.

For CAM CHURCHES TOGETHER next Sunday please email website.camvillages@gmail.com for the access code.

YouTube

Go to the website at

<https://camvillages.org.uk/Groups/338298/Thisweek.aspx>
and click on the picture

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