

OUR CHURCHES' DIARY

TODAY **TRINITY 14** **13th September**

Little Chesterford	No service
Great Chesterford	11.00 am Holy Communion Alex Jeewan
Wendens Ambo	9.30 am Iona Morning Prayer Tim Hardingham
Littlebury	11.00 am Morning Prayer Tim Hardingham
Littlebury Green	No service

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 15th September		
5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
8.00 pm	Team Council	Zoom
Wednesday 16th September		
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Zoom
5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Thursday 17th September		
5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom

NEXT WEEK **20th September** **TRINITY 15**

Little Chesterford	9.30 am	HOLY COMMUNION
Great Chesterford	9.30 am	iCHURCH
Wendens Ambo	9.30 am	HOLY COMMUNION
Littlebury	11.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION
Littlebury Green	9.30 am	FAMILY SERVICE

Holy Communion readings for next Sunday:
Philippians 1:21-end Matthew 20:1-16

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 this Sunday the access codes are:

<https://zoom.us/j/94754859274?pwd=SUJZanY5RzYvVIY5ZXg2S2pLUHpDUT09>

Or Meeting ID: 947 5485 9274

Password: wenden

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The Grapevine

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

Welcome to our services today
Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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.

Epistle *Romans 14.1-12*

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Gospel *Matthew 18.21-35*

Peter came and said to Jesus, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

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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
(Great 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
Barbara King (Great Chesterford)

Other topics for your prayers

- For young people starting university and college courses, many leaving home for the first time
- For ongoing efforts to contain Covid-19 where lockdown has been re-introduced in this country and for patience as nationwide reintroduction of limitations on social interaction comes into force
- For countries without adequate means to manage the coronavirus, among them Yemen, Sudan, the Middle East, and India
- For the people of the USA in their battle against wild fires and racial unrest
- 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

Giving 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

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Post Communion

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

Renew your Church, O Lord, for mission and service, and make it here and everywhere a living fellowship of the Spirit, revealing your love to the world, reconciling humanity to you and one another, and serving all who are in need, for the glory of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Frank Colquhoun (adapted)

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

WORSHIP IN CHURCHES

Happily our services in church will not be affected by the latest guidelines for the number of people who can socially gather together.

MASKS IN CHURCH

Please note it is now compulsory - government and Church of England instructions - to wear a mask for services in church unless you have an exemption.

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

OPEN CHURCHES . . .

Our churches are open for private prayer as follows:
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 the Saffron Walden team clergy members.

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

NEWS

ALL SAINTS & ST MARY'S LT CHESTERFORD

We have now heard that the merging of the Parish Church Councils of Great and Little Chesterford has gone ahead. This means that the churches in the Chesterfords will be working more closely together and supporting each other now and in the years to come. Please pray for the Churchwardens, Deputy Churchwardens and PCC members.

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

PRAYER FOR A NEW TEAM RECTOR After the summer break, the process of discernment for the next Team Rector is being resumed. Please pray for those involved.

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.