

Services in the United Benefice

Sunday 3rd September 2017 – Twelfth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 17)

9:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Nether Winchendon
10:00 am	Café Sunday	Long Crendon
10:00 am	Family Holy Communion	Chearsley

Sunday 10th September 2017 – Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 18)

8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Long Crendon
10:00 am	Morning Celebration	Chearsley
10:00 am	Matins	Nether Winchendon
10:30 am	Holy Communion	Long Crendon
6:00 pm	Evensong	Chearsley

Sunday 17th September 2017 - Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 19)

9:00 am	Holy Communion	Chearsley
10:00 am	Family Service	Nether Winchendon
10:00 am	Family Service	Long Crendon

Sunday 24th September 2017 – Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 20)

8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Long Crendon
10:00 am	Family Service with Baptism	Chearsley
10:30 am	Holy Communion with choir	Long Crendon
6:00 pm	Harvest Evensong	Nether Winchendon

Sunday 1st October 2017 – Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 21)

9:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Nether Winchendon
10:00 am	Café Sunday	Long Crendon
10:00 am	Family Holy Communion for Harvest Festival	Chearsley

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 Please note that your wording may have to be edited to fit the available space - John and Jenny Scholefield

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 3rd September 2017 - CW edition



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

WELCOME EVERYONE TODAY AND EVERY DAY

Parish prayer focus 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 Sunday and during the week, we pray:

In our 3 churches, giving thanks for all who lead and help our worship and activities with children and youth.

In our 3 villages, praying for our schools and pre-schools. For teachers & staff, governors, and the children they serve. For a fruitful academic year ahead.

Collect for the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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: Jeremiah 15.15-21

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O

Lord, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. Therefore thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

The Epistle: Romans 12.9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Gospel: St. Matthew 16.21-28

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine

things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "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 will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Post Communion Prayer

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Notes for your diary:

Autumn events to be held by the Friends of St. Mary's Long Crendon:

Saturday 16th September 7-10pm - an Evening for Gin Lovers, at The Old Police House, 5 High Street, Long Crendon, tickets £25, RSVP to 208837.

Sunday 8th October 12 noon in St. Mary's, AGM (with wine!)

Saturday 14th October - Quiz Night

Saturday 25th November - Michael Lunt "Tickling the Ivories"

Go to www.FSMLongCrendon.org or e-mail

Friends@FSMLongCrendon.org or call Geoff Smith on 208205. All proceeds go to the Friends of St. Mary's.

Saturday 2nd September, Monthly Prayer Gathering at St. Nicholas' Nether Winchendon, 9:30-10:30 am. Our prayer focus will be on the three villages and wider issues. All welcome. Ray Copping and Geoff Hogbin

Tuesday 31st October, "Luther and the Reformation", an evening with Gordon Kuhrt in Haddenham. This date is the 500th anniversary of the start of the Reformation. More information will be included when it is available.