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Sunday 4th October 2015 - BCP edition



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

WELCOME EVERYONE TODAY AND EVERY DAY - and please come to the second meeting this afternoon at St. Nicholas, Nether Winchendon, led by Andrew Gear, the Bucks Parishes Development officer for the Diocese, where we can continue the process towards the appointment of a new incumbent to the Benefice. 37 people attended at St. Mary's on 27th September where the emphasis was on Worship. Tea and excellent cake helped the deliberations. (See diary box below for details.)

Prayer



God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Collect for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

LORD, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings for Today:



The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1.4-8

I THANK my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ; that in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge; even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you; so that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gospel: Matthew 22.34-end

WHEN the Pharisees had heard that Jesus had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together. Then one of them, who was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying, Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying, What think ye of Christ? Whose son is he? They say unto him, The son of David. He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying, the Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy foot-stool? If David then call him Lord, how is he his son? And no man was able to answer him a word; neither durst any man from that day forth ask him any more questions.

A Prayer For Autumn.

Lord of the crystal blue sky,
Bless us with clarity of vision.
Lord of the lengthening evening,
Lighten our burdens.
Lord of the biting breeze,
Sharpen our response to your Spirit.
Lord of the falling leaf,
Lift our hearts heavenwards.
In our autumn,
May we seek your spring. **Amen.**

Notes for your diary:

Consultative meeting dates with the Development Officer at **3:00 pm** as follows, topics to be discussed in brackets:

Nether Winchendon **TODAY!!** (Pastoral Care) **Sunday 4th October**

Chearsley (Mission) **Sunday 11th October**

For all interested in the Benefice, not only PCC members – you are welcome at all three churches for the three different discussions.

Sunday 11th October at midday: AGM for The Friends of St. Mary's, Long Crendon. The Friends will be holding their AGM after the 10:30 am Holy Communion service. Everyone is invited even if they don't attend the preceding service, and refreshments will be provided. We really look forward to seeing everyone there.

NW Harvest Supper is on **Friday 16th October** at Nether Winchendon Barn at 7.00pm. Tickets from Jenny Clarke (jennysclarke@gmail.com) at £5.00 Adults and £2.50 for children under 10 (for delicious Malaysian Curry or vegetarian option, and fruit crumble). Please book early with Jenny and start revising for the Quiz!

Men's Breakfast **Saturday October 17th** at "The Eight Bells" High Street Long Crendon, 8.00-9.30 am. The Guest speaker will be Mark Herbert, Assistant Pastor, Long Crendon Baptist Church: "Is the good life the best life?" Full English Breakfast £10. Tickets (first come first served!) and further information from Chris Lilley (LC), Geoff Hogbin (Ch) or Robert Hutton (NW).

Services in the United Benefice

Services Today Sunday 4th October 2015 - Trinity 18

9.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW	Steve and Rose Williams
10.00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Ray Copping
10:00 am	Family Communion (CW)	Ch	Derek Witchell

Services Sunday 11th October 2015 - Trinity 19

10:00 am	Morning Celebration	Ch	Lay Led
10.00 am	Matins	NW	Robert Spencer Bernard
10:30 am	Holy Communion with speaker on Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF)	LC	Ray Copping
6:00 pm	Evensong	Ch	John Scholefield

Services Sunday 18th October 2015 - Trinity 20

9:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Ch	Tina Sterling
10.00 am	Harvest Festival Family Service	NW	Tina Sterling
10.30 am	Family Service	LC	Ray Copping
followed by Bring and Share Lunch in Church House			

Services Sunday 25th October 2015 - The Last Sunday after Trinity

10:00 am	Family Service	Ch	John Scholefield
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	The Ven Dr Gordon Kuhrt
5:00 pm	Evensong	NW	Robert Hutton

Services Sunday 1st November 2015 - All Saints

9.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW	Steve and Rose Williams
10.00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Ray Copping
10:00 am	Family Communion	Ch	Steve and Rose Williams

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