

Services in the United Benefice

Sunday 5th November 2017 - Fourth Sunday before Advent

9:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Café Sunday Team
10:00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips
6:00 pm	Rock Solid in Chearsley		

Sunday 12th November 2017 - Remembrance Sunday

8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Morning Celebration	Ch	Morning Celebration Team
10:00 am	War Memorial Service	LC	Richard Phillips
10:15 am	Service of Remembrance	NW	Robert Hutton
10:30 am	Civic Service	LC	Richard Phillips
10:45 am	War Memorial Service	Ch	John Scholefield
6:00 pm	Evensong	Ch	John Scholefield

Sunday 19th November 2017 - Second Sunday before Advent

9:00 am	Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Family Toy Service	NW	Richard Phillips
10:30 am	Family Toy Service	LC	Richard Phillips

Sunday 26th November 2017 - Sunday next before Advent Christ the King

8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Family Toy Service with Baptism	Ch	Derek Witchell
10:30 am	Communion Service with Prayers for Healing	LC	R Phillips
5:00 pm	Evensong (<i>note time</i>)	NW	Robert Hutton

Sunday 3rd December 2017 - Advent Sunday

10:00 am	St. Nicholas' Patronal Festival	NW	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Café Sunday Team
2:30-4:00pm	Family Fun 'What's in the Box?'	NW	Richard Phillips
6:00 pm	Benefice Advent Carol Service	LC	Richard Phillips
There is no service in Chearsley as the Patronal Service is shared			

Sunday 10th December 2017 - Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 am	Holy Communion	LC	Richard Phillips
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	Derek Witchell
4:00 pm	Lessons and Carols	Ch	Richard Phillips
6:00 pm	Lessons and Carols	NW	Richard Phillips

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 5th November 2017 - CW edition



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

WELCOME EVERYONE TODAY AND EVERY DAY



Prayer: God of glory, touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit, that we with all creation may rejoice to sing your praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Collect for the Fourth Sunday before Advent

Almighty and eternal God, you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints: grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; 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. **Amen**

Readings for Today:



The Old Testament: Micah 3.5-end

Thus says the Lord concerning the prophets who lead my people astray, who cry "Peace" when they have something to eat, but declare war against those who put nothing into their mouths. Therefore it shall be night to you, without vision, and darkness to you, without revelation. The sun shall go down upon the prophets, and the day shall be black over them; the seers shall be disgraced, and the diviners put to shame; they shall all cover their lips, for there is no answer from God. But as for me, I am filled with power, with the spirit of the Lord, and with justice and might, to declare to Jacob his transgression and to Israel his sin. Hear this, you rulers of the house of Jacob and chiefs of the house of Israel, who abhor justice and pervert all equity, who build Zion with blood and Jerusalem with

wrong! Its rulers give judgment for a bribe, its priests teach for a price, its prophets give oracles for money; yet they lean upon the Lord and say, "Surely the Lord is with us! No harm shall come upon us." Therefore because of you Zion shall be ploughed as a field; Jerusalem shall become a heap of ruins, and the mountain of the house a wooded height.

The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 2.9-13

You remember our labour and toil, brothers and sisters; we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. You are witnesses, and God also, how pure, upright, and blameless our conduct was toward you believers. As you know, we dealt with each one of you like a father with his children, urging and encouraging you and pleading that you lead a life worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory. We also constantly give thanks to God for this, that when you received the word of God that you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word but as what it really is, God's word, which is also at work in you believers.

The Gospel: St. Matthew 24.1-14

As Jesus came out of the temple and was going away, his disciples came to point out to him the buildings of the temple. Then he asked them, "You see all these, do you not? Truly I tell you, not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?" Jesus answered them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Messiah!' and they will lead many astray. And you will hear of wars and rumours of wars; see that you are not alarmed; for this must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places: all this is but the beginning of the birth pangs. "Then they will hand you over to be tortured and will put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of my name. Then many will fall away, and they will betray one another and hate one another. And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. And because of the

increase of lawlessness, the love of many will grow cold. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. And this good news of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the world, as a testimony to all the nations; and then the end will come.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of heaven, in this Eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Notes for your diary:

<p>Wednesday 1st November, All Saints Day, 7:30 pm St. Nicholas' Chearsley, Benefice Holy Communion.</p>
<p>Saturday 4th November, Monthly Prayer Gathering at St. Nicholas' Chearsley, 9:30-10:30 am. Our prayer focus will be on the three villages and wider issues. All welcome. Ray Copping and Geoff Hogbin</p>
<p>Saturday 18th November, 10:30am-1pm Christmas Coffee and Craft Morning at Chearsley Cricket Pavilion (in the absence of the Village Hall). Craft and food donations welcomed in advance, please ring Anne Pratt on 201611. Lovely opportunity to catch up over good coffee and cake and make Christmas gift purchases too!</p>
<p>Saturday 25th November – 7:30 pm Michael Lunt "Tickling the Ivories" at St. Mary's Long Crendon, all proceeds go to the Friends of St. Mary's. Go to www.FSMLongCrendon.org or e-mail Friends@FSMLongCrendon.org or call Geoff Smith on 208205.</p>
<p>Sunday 26th November, 10.30am St. Mary's, "Communion Service with Prayers for Healing". During the service, there will be an opportunity to come forward to be anointed with the oil for healing for yourself or on behalf of a friend.</p>
<p>Saturday 2nd December, Monthly Prayer Gathering at St. Nicholas' Nether Winchendon, 9:30-10:30 am to focus on the three villages and wider issues. All welcome. Ray Copping and Geoff Hogbin</p>