

Services in the United Benefice

Sunday 6th May 2018 – Sixth Sunday of Easter CW, Rogation Sunday Fifth Sunday after Easter BCP

9:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW	Richard Phillips
	followed by Rogation Walk		
10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Café Sunday Team
10:00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ch	Steve and Rose Williams

Thursday 10th May 2018 – Ascension Day

7:30 pm	Benefice Service	Ch	Richard Phillips
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Sunday 13th May 2018 – Seventh Sunday of Easter CW Sunday after Ascension Day BCP

8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Morning Celebration	Ch	Morning Celebration Team
10:00 am	Matins	NW	Robert Spencer Bernard
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	Richard Phillips
6:00 pm	Evensong	Ch	Richard Phillips

Sunday 20th May 2018 – Pentecost CW, Whit Sunday BCP

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

Sunday 27th May 2018 – Trinity Sunday

8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Derek Witchell
10:00 am	Chearsley Praise	Ch	John Scholefield
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	Derek Witchell
6:00 pm	Evensong	NW	John Scholefield

Sunday 3rd June 2018 – First Sunday after Trinity (Proper 4)

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	Gill Nicholls

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 johnscholefield.ilm@gmail.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 6th May 2018 - CW edition



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

WELCOME EVERYONE TODAY AND EVERY DAY



Parish prayer points for May

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 the month on our own, or at gatherings on Sunday and during the week, can I invite us to pray for these particular people: In our 3 churches, giving thanks for our church wardens Gay Edwards, Sarah Evans, April Hall, Alicia Howard, Pam Lilley, and Joy Payne; and all who serve with them on our PCCs. In our 3 villages, praying for everyone who serves us in local government. For our parish councillors, district, and county councillors, and for those employed by them.

Collect for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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:



For the Old Testament: Acts 10.44-end

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptising these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

The Epistle: 1 John 5.1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

The Gospel: St. John 15.9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Post Communion Prayer

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

Notes for your diary:

Saturday 5th May, Monthly Prayer Gathering at St. Nicholas' Chearsley, 9:30-10:30 am to focus on the three villages and wider issues. All welcome. Ray Copping and Geoff Hogbin

Sunday 6th May, Café Sunday, Our speaker is from the Food Bank in Aylesbury and we thought it would be a nice gesture to be able to collect some food as a gift – tins or packets please, nothing fresh or perishable! You can give it to me in advance or bring it along to Café Sunday. Many thanks, Lesley Charnock

Monday 7th May, 8:30 am, May Day Madrigals sung by the Witchert Chorale from the Tower of St. Mary's, followed by fresh coffee and rolls with jam. All welcome and let's hope for a lovely spring morning! Tickets not necessary but donations welcome.

Saturday 12th May, 7:30 pm **"Opera Pops Concert"** at St. Mary's Long Crendon, (organised by The Friends of St. Mary's with Aylesbury Opera). Tickets (include drinks/canapes) £12 from Geoff Smith on 208205 or Philip Hayes on 07725 868092 or e-mail Friends@FSMLongCrendon.org **Sunday 24th June** 12:30-3:30pm Jazz Picnic, tickets £10 (£2 children) tickets from Geoff Smith, bring your own refreshments.

Sunday 13th May, 9:30-10:00 am, St. Nicholas' Chearsley, BBQ sausage breakfast before Morning Celebration to help support Christian Aid. Save a life with a sausage sarnie!

Saturday 26th May, from 9:30am, a peal will be rung at St. Mary's to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the original eight bells in the tower. Throughout May there will be an exhibition about the bells in St. Mary's.