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Sunday 6th August 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 July and August:



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 these months on our own, or in gatherings on Sunday and during the week, we pray:

In our 3 churches, giving thanks for our flower teams, led by Gill Austen-Smith, Tessa Davies, and Joy Payne; and for all those who served our Flower Festival in Chearsley.

In our 3 villages, praying for all who work in our industrial estates. For safe travel, and safe and fruitful work.

Collect for the Eighth Sunday after Trinity The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, 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: Daniel 7.9-10 and 13-14



As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served

him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

The Epistle: 2 Peter 1.16-19

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

The Gospel: St. Luke 9.28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" - not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Post Communion Prayer

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever. **Amen**

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. . **Amen**

Notes for your diary:

Sunday 13th August, St. Nicholas' Chearsley – please note that there is no Morning Celebration on this day, but you are all most welcome to come to Evensong at 6:00 pm instead.

Sunday 27th and Monday 28th August – delicious Bank Holiday weekend Cream Teas at St. Nicholas' Nether Winchendon, 2.30-5.00 pm.

Thursday 31st August, Bucks Show Day at Whitchurch: Jenny Edmans is looking for volunteers in the Church Hospitality Tent, just for a one-hour shift, most hours between 10am and 5pm, 'hosts' and 'refreshment servers' needed. They also need lots of cakes! If you haven't visited the stand before, do go and see them, the public come for a rest and a chat (and sustaining tea and cake, all free). Please support Jenny by ringing her to offer assistance on 01844 237855 or e-mail jennyedmans@aol.com

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

Saturday 16th September - an Evening for Gin Lovers

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

Services in the United Benefice

Sunday 6 th August 2017 – The Eighth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 13)				
The Transfiguration of our Lord				
9:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW	Gordon Kuhrt	
10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Lay Led	
10:00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ch	Gordon Kuhrt	

Sunday 13 th August 2017 – The Ninth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 14)					
8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Derek Witchell			
10:00 am Matins	NW	Robert Spencer Bernard			
10:30 am Holy Communion	LC	Derek Witchell			
6:00 pm Evensong	Ch	John			
Scholefield					
Please note that there is no Morning Celebration in Chearsley on this day					

Sunday 20 th August 2017 – The Tenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 15)					
9:00 am	Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips		
10:00 am	Joint Family Service for				
	LC and NW, with baptism	NW	Richard Phillips		
Please note there is no Family Service in Long Crendon on this day					

Sunday 27 th August 2017 – The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity (Proper 16)					
8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Richard Phillips			
10:00 am Family Service	Ch	John			
Scholefield					
10:30 am Holy Communion with choir	LC	Richard Phillips			
6:00 pm Evensong	NW	Robert Hutton			

Sunday 3 rd September 2017 – The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 17)				
9:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW		Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC		Lay Led
10:00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ch	Richard	Phillips/Robert
Hutton				•

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 Ilm.chearsley@btinternet.com Please note that your wording may have to be edited to fit the available space - John and Jenny Scholefield