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**Sunday - 17<sup>th</sup> January 2016 - CW edition**



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

**WELCOME EVERYONE TODAY AND EVERY DAY**

### **Prayer**



Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **Collect for the Second Sunday of Epiphany**

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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: Isaiah 62.1-5**

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;

but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

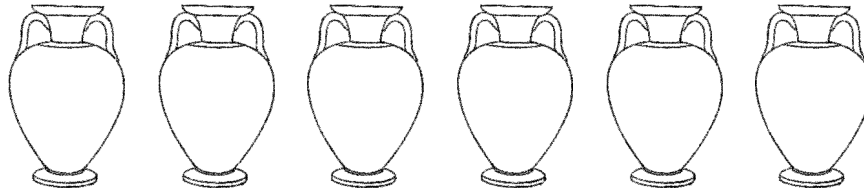
### **The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12.1-11**

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

### **The Gospel: St. John 2.1-11**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and

said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.



## Post Communion Prayer

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## Notes for your diary:

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2016** - Long Crendon Friends of St. Mary's Safari Supper. Forms are available from St. Mary's, the Flowerpot Café, the Library, or from [james.frew@mac.com](mailto:james.frew@mac.com) Forms will also be e-mailed to everyone who took part last year, or if you have queries call Mary Frew on 202018. The deadline for joining is **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> January (this Saturday)** – we look forward to seeing you!

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2016 is Ash Wednesday** – we will be delighted to welcome Derek Witchell who has kindly agreed to take the service at 7:30 pm in St. Mary's, Long Crendon, and look forward to seeing you there.

## Services in the United Benefice

### Services Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2016 – Epiphany 2

|          |                            |    |                |
|----------|----------------------------|----|----------------|
| 9.00 am  | Holy Communion (BCP)       | Ch | Derek Witchell |
| 10.00 am | Family Holy Communion (CW) | NW | Derek Witchell |
| 10:30 am | Family Service             | LC | Ray Copping    |

### Services Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2016 – Epiphany 3 or The Conversion of St. Paul

|          |                           |    |                  |
|----------|---------------------------|----|------------------|
| 10.00 am | Family Service            | Ch | John Scholefield |
| 10.30 am | Holy Communion with choir | LC | Tom Farrell      |
| 5:00 pm  | Evensong                  | NW | Robert Hutton    |

### Service Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2016 – Epiphany 4 or The Presentation of Christ or Sexagesima

|   |                         |    |              |
|---|-------------------------|----|--------------|
| 10:00 am  | United Benefice Service | LC | Gordon Kuhrt |
| Note: this is a fifth Sunday and there will be no service in Chearsley or Nether Winchendon on this day |                         |    |              |

### Services Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2016 – The Sunday next before Lent or Quinquagesima

|  |                      |    |                         |
|--|----------------------|----|-------------------------|
| 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 |
| 6:00 to 7:30 pm Rock Solid Youth Group |                      |    |                         |

### Service Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2016 – Ash Wednesday

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|---------|-----------------------|----|----------------|
| 7:30 pm | Ash Wednesday service | LC | Derek Witchell |
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### Services Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2016 – The First Sunday of Lent

|          |                     |    |                        |
|----------|---------------------|----|------------------------|
| 10:00 am | Morning Celebration | Ch | Lay Led                |
| 10:00 am | Matins              | NW | Robert Spencer Bernard |
| 10:30 am | Holy Communion      | LC | Bishop Alan            |
| 6.00 pm  | Evensong            | Ch | John Scholefield       |

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](mailto:llm.chearsley@btinternet.com) Please note that your wording may have to be edited to fit the available space - John and Jenny Scholefield