

Services in the United Benefice

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

Sunday 17th December 2017 - Third Sunday of Advent

9:00 am	Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Crib and Christingle	NW	Richard Phillips
4:00 pm	Christingle	Ch	Richard Phillips
6:00 pm	Lessons and Carols	LC	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 ilm.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 12th November 2017 - CW edition



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

WELCOME EVERYONE TODAY AND EVERY DAY



Prayer: God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Collect for the Third Sunday before Advent Remembrance Sunday

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; 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 (The Apocrypha): Wisdom 6.12-16

Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her. One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate. To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought.

The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4.13-end

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The Gospel: St. Matthew 25.1-13

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.



Post Communion Prayer

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

Notes for your diary:

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!

Saturday 25th November – 10am-12noon, St. Nicholas' Chearsley, Christmas Door Garland Workshop, tuition by Joy Payne SF Dip, please bring secateurs, cost £25 with refreshments, all proceeds to the church.

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.

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.

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