Services in the United Benefice

Sunday 22 nd October 2017 - Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 24)			
8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Derek Witchell
10:00 am	Family Service	Ch	Derek Witchell
10:30 am	Holy Communion with choir	LC	Gordon Kuhrt
6:00 pm	Evensong	NW	Robert Hutton

Sunday 29th October 2017 -Last Sunday after Trinity (Proper 25)

10:00 am Benefice Holy Communion NW Richard Phillips
This is a fifth Sunday and there will be no other Benefice service on this day

Wednesday 1st November 2017 – All Saints' Day
7:30 pm Benefice Holy Communion Ch Richard Phillips

ĺ	Sunday 5 th November 2017 - Fourth Sunday before Advent			
l	9:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW	Richard Phillips
	10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Café Sunday Team
İ	10:00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips

Sunday 12 th 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 19 th November 2017 – Second Sunday before Advent				
(9:00 am	Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips
10	0:00 am	Family Toy Service	NW	Richard Phillips
10	0:30 am	Family Toy Service	LC	Richard Phillips

Sunday 26 th 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	Holy Communion with choir LC		Richard Phillips
5:00 pm	Evensong (note time) NW		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

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 22nd October 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 October

In our 3 churches, giving thanks for all who maintain our wonderful church buildings - those who carry out repairs; plan, manage and secure funding for major projects; and give financially including through our Friends' organisations. In our 3 villages, please pray for our local farmers and all who work in food production - for their safety, the right weather, and a fair return on their labour.

Collect for the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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:

To Dine

The Old Testament: Isaiah 45.1-7

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him - and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. I am the Lord, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of

the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the Lord do all these things.

The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 1.1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead - Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

The Gospel: St. Matthew 22.15-22

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and

to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Post Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Notes for your diary:

Monday 23rd to Thursday 26th October, note to drivers – the road from Cuddington to Dinton Cross is scheduled to be closed.

Tuesday 31st October, 8:00 pm St. Mary's **Haddenham:** "Luther and the Reformation", an evening with Gordon Kuhrt's son, Revd Stephen Kuhrt. This date is the 500th anniversary of the start of the Reformation. From the information we have received it appears possible to turn up on the night, and there is no charge.

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

Autumn events to be held by the Friends of St. Mary's: **Saturday 25**th **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.