



Pew Sheet for 3 August 2025

A warm welcome to everyone attending the first Sunday of the month 8am and 9.30am services

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Please come into the hall for refreshments after the 09:30 service.

Collect:

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hymns:

- 202** Holy Holy Lord God Almighty
- 233** Jesus Calls us
- 411** Dear Lord and Father of Mankind
- 516** Love divine all loves
- 278** Alleluia Sing to Jesus

Although there is no formal collection during the offertory hymn, please feel free to make a contribution to the work of St. Mary's either in the Treasury box at the back of church, or using the card reader, also at the back of church. Thank you.

Readings:

Colossians 3:1-11

The New Life in Christ

3 So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your^[a] life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. ⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ^[b] ⁷ These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ^[c] ⁸ But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive^[d] language from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹ In that renewal^[e] there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

Luke 12:13-21

The Parable of the Rich Fool

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.’ ¹⁴ But he

said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' ¹⁵ And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' ¹⁶ Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷ And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store

my crops?" ¹⁸ Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." ²⁰ But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" ²¹ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

Post-communion prayer:

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,
ever giving himself that the world may live:
may we so receive within ourselves
the power of his death and passion
that, in his saving cup,
we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Dates for your diary

August & September Knit and Natter dates - Monday 4th August 7.30pm, Wednesday 6th August 10.30am in the Leverton Room.

Monday 1st September 7.30pm, Wednesday 10th September 10.30am in the Leverton Room. Enquiries Kate Nowak.

Sunday 7th September the annual Church barbecue will be held at 12 after the morning service.

If you would like to attend, then please pay £5 on the day.

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the Church for contributions to the barbecue. Salads and puddings are most welcome! Enquiries Sara Tomlin

Saturday 13th September is HERITAGE OPEN DAY from 11am to 5pm and we will be offering refreshments to any visitors during that time. If you are able to help for just an hour it would be most appreciated. Please sign the sheet at the back of church or speak to Christine Clarke.

Sunday 14th September - 3pm. Join us for a special **Thanksgiving Service for our Pets and their friendship to us** here at **St Mary's Church, Cuddington**. Bring your beloved pets - great and small - for a joyful time of thanksgiving, prayer, and blessing. This family-friendly service celebrates God's creation and our companionship with animals. If you are coming along with pets, please keep them with you all the time. All are very welcome.

The social committee has also planned the below - please keep the date for this very popular event in your diaries: -

Quiz Night - Saturday 25th October ***Enquiries: Sara & Daphne***