

ANGLESEY GROUP OF PARISHES
Holy Trinity, Bottisham; St Mary's, Quay; St James', Lode;
St Mary's, Swaffham Bulbeck; St Mary's, Swaffham Prior

Sunday 20 July – Fifth after Trinity, Green

9am	Online service	on Zoom
	Morning Prayer	Quay
10.30am	Holy Communion	Swaffham Bulbeck
	Morning Prayer	Bottisham

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- All in need of God's healing power including: Enid, Jutta, David, Linda, Lydia, Iris, Derek, Lesley, John, Alun, Janet, Margaret, Corinne, and others known to us personally. Giving thanks for those who have been on this list, have recovered and are grateful for our prayers and God's grace
- In thanksgiving for the lives of the departed including Vera Fletcher, Swaffham Bulbeck, thinking of her family; Audrey Lewin, Swaffham Bulbeck and her family
- All who care for and appreciate our wonderful, historic church buildings and grounds, and especially for churchyard conservation projects
- Those unable to go on holiday whether due to ill health or limited finances; families where school holidays bring extra financial burden; those in our villages providing food bags for local families
- All getting married in our churches in the next few months

REGULAR EVENTS

PLEASE CHECK ARRANGEMENTS OVER THE HOLIDAYS

- **Play + Praise** – Weekly in term time in church; Fridays in Lode, 9.30am; Baby and Toddler Playgroup on Tuesdays in Bottisham, 9am
- **Peaceful and Prayerful Art Group** – Next meetings: Thursdays 4, 11, 18 September 10:30am – 12:30pm Holy Trinity Church, Bottisham
- **CbyC: a short contemplative service:** Monthly on first Wednesday, 8pm on Zoom – Next: **Wednesday 6 August**

Bible Study/Prayer Groups

- Home Study Group, monthly on first Monday, 10.30am Mike Procter, mike@procter.com new members welcome
- Home Study Group, twice a month on Wednesdays, 10.30am, contact Maggie Field 01223 604019 for information
- Bible Study, meet twice a month, 7.30pm contact Liz Butler for more information, lizbutl@gmail.com

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 27 July – Sixth Sunday after Trinity, Green

- 9am Online service, on Zoom
Holy Communion (BCP), Swaffham Bulbeck
- 10.30am Holy Communion, Swaffham Prior

Sunday 3 August - Seventh Sunday after Trinity, Green

- 9am Online service, on Zoom
- 10.30am Holy Communion, Bottisham
- 4pm Village Worship, Quay Village Hall

Sunday 10 August – Eighth Sunday after Trinity, Green

- 9am Online service, on Zoom
Holy Communion, Quay
- 10.30am Matins, Swaffham Prior

Every Thursday 10.30am Holy Communion, Lode

EVENTS

20 July – Cambridge Open Studies

St James', Lode, 10am-5pm; paintings and wooden animals; refreshments; in aid of the five churches

3-31 August - Knitted Bible Exhibition

St James', Lode 9am-5pm
Bible stories depicted in knitting – all welcome

RIP - Dr Anthony Russell, former Bishop of Ely

I was sorry to learn of the death of the former Bishop of Ely, Dr Anthony Russell. Dr Russell served Ely Diocese from 2000 to 2010, as well as making a notable contribution to the national church's thinking about rural ministry. We give thanks for his work and service among us, and commend him to God's love.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife Sheila and the whole family. +Dagmar

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Readings for Sunday 20 July – Year C

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church
is governed and sanctified:
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,
that in their vocation and ministry
they may serve you in holiness and truth
to the glory of your name;
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.

Prayer after Communion

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,
that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered
by your governance,
that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly
quietness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Old Testament - Genesis 18 1-10a

¹The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. ³He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on – since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.' ⁶And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.' ⁷Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. ⁹They said to Abraham, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.' ¹⁰Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.'

Psalm 15

- 1 Lord, who may ¹ dwell in your ¹ tabernacle? ♦
Who may rest up¹ on your ¹ holy ¹ hill?
- 2 Whoever leads an ¹ uncorrupt ¹ life ♦
and ¹ does the ¹ thing that is ¹ right;
- 3 Who speaks the ¹ truth • from the ¹ heart ♦
and ¹ bears • no de¹ceit on the ¹ tongue;
- 4 Who does no ¹ evil • to a ¹ friend ♦
and ¹ pours no ¹ scorn • on a ¹ neighbour;
- 5 In whose sight the wicked are ¹ not es¹teemed, ♦
but who honours ¹ those who ¹ fear the ¹ Lord.
- 6 Whoever has ¹ sworn to a ¹ neighbour ♦
and ¹ never goes ¹ back • on that ¹ word;

7,8 Who does not lend money in hope of gain, nor takes
a bribe a¹gainst the ¹ innocent; ♦
Whoever does these ¹ things shall ¹ never ¹ fall.
Glory to the Father and ¹ to the ¹ Son ♦ and ¹ to the ¹ Holy ¹
Spirit; as it was in the be¹ginning is ¹ now ♦ and shall be for ¹
ever. ¹ A¹men

New Testament - Colossians 1 15-28

¹⁵Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. ²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him – ²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. ²⁴I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Gospel - Luke 10 38-42

³⁸Now as Jesus and his disciples went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to Jesus and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴²there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'