WEEKLY REFLECTION

Key Contacts @ CHW Churches

Dear Friends,

Its mid - September, we find ourselves standing at the edge of the autumn seasons (Astronomical autumn begins typically around September 22nd). Our summer this year has been quite unusual, perhaps that odd weather mirrors something of our lives today — how me must expect the unexpected.

We are living in times when our community desperately needs a Church and a people whose love for Jesus, whose influence in society and whose truth, power and integrity bring hope and comfort, life and healing into our communities.

As a Church we need to rediscover the presence of God and his power to change lives. We want to see the Church renewed to transform individuals and communities with the life of Christ and the good news of love, forgiveness, peace, healing and joy that is given to those who would submit to Jesus.

Any season of renewal is always given to us by God. It is God's gift and God's doing for, as it says in <u>John 3:8</u>, 'The wind blows where it wills, and we cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going.' Nevertheless, if we are to move into a new season of renewal there are responsibilities and challenges that rest with all of us.

At the Parish vision day as CHW Churches we are praying to set a vision for how as a church we can engage in mission and ministry.

So, let's step up in generosity and step out in faith together, believing and crying out for a new season of renewal. Let's join as one church to pray, to be strengthened by God's word and to be expectant for signs and wonders as God the Holy Spirit brings new life to his Church.

God Bless

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LITTLE LAMBS MUMS & TODDLERS GROUP (TERM TIME ONLY)



If you're looking for a stay and play, drop in baby and toddler groups in Wraysbury then look no further. Little Lambs Toddler Group is based at St Andrews Church in Wraysbury, where you can drop in without prebooking a place.

There is a small fee of £2.00 per family to cover the cost of drinks and snacks, and it's a great way to get out and entertain your children and meet other parents, carers, grandparents and childminders too.

For more details email: <u>LittleLambs@CHWChurches.org</u>

DURING THE WEEK @ CHWCHURCHES

Monday 15th September

09.10 Morning Prayer at St. Michael's Horton 10.00 Horton Community Coffee Morning at Champney Hall

Tuesday 16th September

09.10 Morning Prayer at St. Thomas' Colnbrook 11.00 Midweek Communion at St. Michael's 14.00 St. Andrew's Cafe at St. Andrew's Annexe 19.00 Joint PCC Meeting at St. Andrew's

Wednesday 17th September

09.10 Morning Prayer at St. Andrew's Wraysbury 10.00 Little Lambs at St. Andrew's Annexe 19.30 Bell Ringing Practice at St. Andrew's

PRAYER CYCLE @ CHWCHURCHES

(TERM TIME ONLY) FOR APPROX. 20 MINS. BASED ON THE PATTERN BELOW

- Mondays St. Michael's Horton 9:10 a.m.
- Tuesdays St. Thomas' Colnbrook 9:10 a.m.
- Wednesdays St. Andrew's Wraysbury 9:10 a.m

MONTHLY COMBINED PRAYER

- First Tuesday of every month
- 7th Oct. 2025 7:30 p.m. St. Andrew's
- 4th Nov. 2025 7:30 p.m. St. Thomas'
- 2nd Dec. 2025 7:30 p.m. St. Michael's

Rotating to Wraysbury, Colnbrook, Horton venues

SUNDAY SERVICES & READINGS @ CHWCHURCHES

14th September 2025 (13th Sunday after Trinity)

Readings: Exodus 32:7-14, 1 Timothy 1:12-17, Psalm 51:1-11, Luke 15:1-10

- ST. MICHAEL'S HORTON 9.30 a.m Family Service
- ST. ANDREW'S WRAYSBURY 11.00 am Parish Communion
- ST. THOMAS' COLNBROOK 11:00 am Parish Communion

21st September 2025 (14th Sunday after <u>Trinity</u>) *"BACK TO CHURCH" SUNDAY*

Readings: Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Psalm 113; Luke 16:1-13

- ST. MICHAEL'S HORTON 9.30 am Parish Communion
- ST. ANDREW'S WRAYSBURY 11:00 Parish Communion
- ST. THOMAS' COLNBROOK 9.30 a.m. Cafe Church

BACK TO CHURCH SEASON

CHW CHURCHES

"Back To Church" Season Starts 21st September

St. Thomas', Colnbrook 11am St. Michael's Church, Horton 9.30am St. Andrew's, Wraysbury 11am



A Personal "Back to Church" Invitation

to take stock, refresh and renew your faith

You are also invited you to join us for other season's services:



Harvest Festival



1. Festival of Remembrance 26th October



Remembrance 9th November



Advent 30th November Christmas Celebrations

HOUSE GROUPS

We have concluded our Alpha Course and some of the guests wish to join a House Group for home Bible studies, prayer and sharing. We have three extra homes open to welcome evening meetings and it would be great if each group had someone from each of our 3 Churches. Any interest? Chat to either Patrick or Mike in church or email mike.miller@cwhchurches.org or phone 07825577477. These groups are amazing at building Bible knowledge, strengthening our faith and growing closer to other members of God's family. Mike Miller

"OPEN THE BOOK"

"Open the Book" is an exciting storytelling project where Bible stories are shared with children in a way that is fun, interactive and memorable. As invited guests in school, storytelling teams use the Open the Book programme to prepare and present a 10 to 15-minute scripted Bible story to a school assembly, involving the children as much as possible.

people to support this initiative in Colnbrook Church of England School. The commitment is 2-3 assemblies each half term. If you would like to know more please contact Janet Morgan mrsjanetmorgan@googlemail.com or 07925693188

St Thomas' Church is looking for new



Slough Homeless Our Concern(SHOC)

ST. ANDREW'S ARE SUPPORTING SHOC AND THEY NEED NON-PERISHABLE FOOD WHICH CAN BE BROUGHT TO CHURCH ON SUNDAYS, TUESDAY AFTERNOONS WHEN THE CAFÉ IS OPEN, OR LEFT IN THE CHURCH PORCH. WITH WINTER HERE, SHOC PARTICULARLY NEED MEN'S: HATS, GLOVES, SOCKS, JUMPERS, COATS BESIDES THE FOOD OF COURSE.

THANK YOU IN ANTICIPATION OF YOUR HELP. TONY HERMES, CHURCHWARDEN

SAFEGUARDING

ST. ANDREW'S, ST. MICHAEL'S AND ST. THOMAS' CHURCHES ARE COMMITTED TO THE SAFETY AND WELLBEING OF ALL CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS WHO FALL WITHIN OUR CARE. A COPY OF OUR SAFEGUARDING POLICY MAY BE VIEWED ON OUR WEBPAGE. IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS AT ALL ABOUT THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN OR VULNERABLE ADULTS YOU CAN CONTACT OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER HEATHER HERMES EMAIL: SAFEGUARDING@CHWCHURCHES.OR, 01784 391417, OR YOU CAN CONTACT THE DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING TEAM: EMAIL: SAFEGUARDINGREFERRALS@OXFORD.ANGLICAN.ORG 01865 208295, OR THE LOCAL AUTHORITY SOCIAL SERVICES TEAM ON 01628 683150.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For Your Prayers

Paul Friar, Baby Louie Lazarou, Lorna Pullen, Annie, Doug Robinson, Colin Walsh, Margaret, Mark Blackman, Greg Scott, Judy Osborne, Olga Cheeseman, Anne Munday, Bea Tucker, Sue Wynne-Davies, Pam Thomas, Roy Talbot, Kelly Hughes, Sue Waller, Margaret Lenton, Pauline Blackman, George Blackman, Alison, Helen, Jilly & her family

Our Mission Partners

- St. John's Mission Gwelutshena, Zimbabwe.
- Open Doors, the international ministry serving persecuted Christians and churches worldwide.
- Operation Restoration working with street children in Bolivia.
- · Canaan Ministries and Bookshop in Staines.

YOUTH ALPHA BEGINS 10TH SEPTEMBER 2025

Youth Alpha is a series of interactive sessions designed to start an open and honest conversation around some of the big questions of life.

Topics at Youth Alpha include: Who is Jesus, why did he die, how do I read the Bible, how do I pray, how is the Holy Spirit, and does God heal today? Alpha Youth runs all across the UK, in schools, homes, youth ministries, prisons, and online. No two Alpha Youths will look exactly the same but they typically have the same three main elements; eat food / play a game, watch a talk, and discuss.

Finally, it is all free and, if you decide it's not for you, drop out at any time.

To register please go to: https://chwchurches.org/youth-alpha/

Email: office@chwchurches.org

Dates

Wednesday, 10th September (7:00 - 8:30)

Wednesday, 17th September (7:00 - 8:30)

Wednesday, 24th September (7:00 - 8:30)

Wednesday, 1st October (7:00 - 8:30)

Wednesday, 8th October (7:00 - 8:30)

Wednesday, 15th October (7:00 - 8:30)

<u>Saturday, 18th October. Optional for</u>

Confirmation candidates

BE THE CHANGE YOU WANT TO SEE IN SLOUGH

COLNBROOK COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

Saturday 27th September 10am - 12noon



We're inviting all community groups, businesses, and residents of Colnbrook with Poyle Parish Council to join a litter pick event! Get outdoors, get active and help us litter pick our local area.

St. Thomas's Church, Vicarage Way, SL3 OJY