**Those who are sick, grieving, or in any kind of need, remembering especially:**

Tom our vicar

**Garsington*:*** Anne

**Cuddesdon**: Julie Grindod,

**Horspath:** Anne & Bob Adams, John Llewellyn, Ann Passmore, Susan Gee, Peter, baby Noah and all his family

**For those who have died, and those who grieve for them** including Norman Goodey of Garsington and Melville King also of Garsington

**NOTICES:**

**CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP – ALL SAINTS, CUDDESDON – 5pm on Wednesdays**

**ALL WELCOME – 30 minutes of silent prayer**

Robert Wilson is continuing the weekly contemplative prayer group, this takes place in the Chancel of All Saints Church, on Wednesdays. This is benefice service, and everyone is welcome for this oasis of peace amidst our busy lives. If you are coming, please could you arrive a little early so that we can enter silence at **5pm**.

**HARVEST SUPPER**– Cuddesdon Harvest Supper will be on Sunday 28th September @7.00pm. Tickets £12 adults, Children aged 5-12 £5.00, under 5 Free

**THANK YOU MESSAGE FROM OUR VICAR:** Tom thanks all those who have sent cards or best wishes during his current period of ill-health, and those who are praying for him and for Martin.  He really appreciates your prayers and kindness.

**Next week’s services*: (All Welcome – why not invite a friend?)***

***Sunday 28th September The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity***

Cuddesdon, All Saints: 09.30am – Parish Eucharist

Garsington, St Mary’s: 09.30am – Breakfast Time Discussion

 06.00pm – Harvest Songs of Praise

Horspath, St Giles: 11.00am- Parish Eucharist for Harvest

**Contact details for booking baptisms, weddings, pastoral visits, etc**

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**The weekly pew sheet for St Mary’s, Garsington,**

**All Saints’, Cuddesdon and St Giles’, Horspath**

**Sunday 21st September 2025 – St Matthew - Red**

***Cuddesdon, All Saints:*** 08.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

 09.30am - Parish Communion

**Garsington, St Mary’s**: 09.30am – Parish Communion

**Horspath, St Giles:** 11.00 for 11.15 Family Funtime for Harvest

**Collect**

O Almighty God,
whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector
to be an apostle and evangelist:
give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain
   and the possessive love of riches
that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Almighty God,
who on the day of Pentecost
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:
by the power of the same Spirit
strengthen us to witness to your truth
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Psalm 119: 65-72**

65  You have dealt graciously with your servant, ♦︎
   according to your word, O Lord.
66  O teach me true understanding and knowledge, ♦︎
   for I have trusted in your commandments.
67  Before I was afflicted I went astray, ♦︎
   but now I keep your word.
68  You are gracious and do good; ♦︎
   O Lord, teach me your statutes.
69  The proud have smeared me with lies, ♦︎
   but I will keep your commandments with my whole heart.
70  Their heart has become gross with fat, ♦︎
   but my delight is in your law.
71  It is good for me that I have been afflicted, ♦︎
   that I may learn your statutes.
72  The law of your mouth is dearer to me ♦︎
   than a hoard of gold and silver.

**2 Corinthians 4:1-6**

4Since it is by God’s mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. 2We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God’s word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. 3And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. 4In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. 5For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus’ sake. 6For it is the God who said, ‘Let light shine out of darkness’, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ**.**

**MATTHEW 9:9-13**

9 As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, ‘Follow me.’ And he got up and followed him.

10 And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. 11When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, ‘Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?’ 12But when he heard this, he said, ‘Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13Go and learn what this means**,** “I desire mercy, not sacrifice.” For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.’

**Prayer of Hope at Harvest Time from Christian Aid**

God of hope,

With you nothing is impossible.

Your promises endure,

Your Spirit sustains us.

Establish in us hope for your world;

Hope that moves us,

Like fire in our bones,

Like a shoot springing up from the soil,

Like an ever-flowing stream.

Nurture in us a vision for change.

Stir in us a desire for justice,

That our hope may become action,

That your will may be done.Amen.

**Please pray for growth in all of the churches in our Benefice** God of mission, who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom and love to our actions, joy to our worship, and power to our witness. Help our churches (St Mary’s, Garsington; All Saints’, Cuddesdon and St Giles’, Horspath) to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, in generous giving, and in loving service to each other and to our local communities. **Amen.**

**EVENTS COMING UP**

**Harvest Festivals**

**Horspath Sunday 21st September** 11.15am

Sunday 28th September 11.00am Harvest Eucharist

 **Garsington Sunday 28th September** 6.00pm

**Cuddeson**

**Harvest Supper Sunday 28th September** @ 7pm

Tickets £12pp Children 5-12 £5.00 Under 5 free

Sunday 5th October 9.30am

**FURTHER AHEAD**

**Half Term Week 26th October -2nd November**

Horspath Scarecrow Trail This year’s theme is Pumpkin Heads

**Thursday 30th October St Giles Horspath 9.30am -11.30am**

Benefice Children’s Workshop

**Sunday 2nd November 3.00pm**

Service of Light at All Saints Cuddesdon

**Saturday 29th November St Giles Horspath**

Shotover Singers Christmas Carols 5pm

**Saturday 20th December All Saints Cuddesdon**

5.00pm Intermezzo Carol Service

**Please pray for:**

* The people of Gaza, Palestine, Iran, Israel, Lebanon, Syria; Ukraine, Yemen, Sudan and all conflict zones – for a lasting ceasefire, peace with justice, reconciliation, mercy and compassion
* The United States of America – for wisdom, integrity, compassion and repentance from all in authority; and for justice and mercy for all people; and protection for the most vulnerable in society
* All refugees, asylum seekers, and those who support refugees
* The environment and that we should be good stewards of God’s creation, caring for the earth and for all God’s creatures
* Our parishes of Garsington, Cuddesdon and Horspath, our Churchwardens, Clergy, Treasurers, Secretaries and PCCs
* Our Benefice Safeguarding Officer, (Kathryn) and all that we do to keep children and vulnerable adults safe
* Story-time Church, Sunday Fun Time, Chatter and Clatter, Family Time, our all-age Eucharists, and all our work with children, young people and families
* Our Church Primary schools in Garsington and Horspath – for the Headteachers, staff and pupils and governors.
* for Ripon College Cuddesdon – Bp Humphrey, Emma, all members of staff and all the community – particularly those soon to join.
* First time students leaving for university, college or apprenticeships. Parents and carers adapting to an empty nest!