

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 7 September – twelfth after Trinity, Green

9am **Online service**
10.30am **Holy Communion**
4pm **Village Service**

on Zoom
Bottisham
Quy Village Hall

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- All in need of God's healing power including: Roger, Eileen, 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 recently departed. Those whose passing we remember at this time of year
- Those starting new university, college or training courses, or returning to their studies, in the coming weeks. For those left behind with "empty nests"
- All who prepare our churches for worship, or maintain our buildings and churchyards, often in unseen ways. For the work of the Community Payback Team
- Local charities providing work for people with SEN, including Red2Green, Burwell Print, Hidden Treasures, Snakehall Farm

REGULAR EVENTS

- **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** – Thurs 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 1 October**
- **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

Harvest Festivals

14 September, 10.30am – Swaffham Prior

21 September, 10.30am – Bottisham

28 September, 3pm - Quay

9 October, 11am – Lode + lunch

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 14 September – thirteenth after Trinity

9am Online service on Zoom
Holy Communion, Quay

10.30am Harvest Festival Family Worship, Swaffham Prior

Sunday 21 September – fourteenth after Trinity

9am Online service on Zoom

10.30am Holy Communion, Swaffham Bulbeck
Harvest Festival, Bottisham

Sunday 28 September - fifteenth after Trinity

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

10.30am Holy Communion, Swaffham Prior

3pm Harvest Festival, Quay

Sunday 5 October - sixteenth after Trinity

9am Online service, on Zoom

10.30am Holy Communion, Bottisham

4pm Village Worship, Quay Village Hall

Every Thursday 10.30am Holy Communion, Lode

EVENTS

Saturday 13 September - Ride & Stride - get sponsored to visit beautiful churches by bike, foot, horse etc. To participate or sponsor: www.camhct.uk

Sunday 28 September – Revd Rhona's last day – please come along to services to wish her well for her move to Norfolk.... there will be cake in Swaffham Prior!

Saturday 4 October – Harvest Supper – Village Hall, Swaffham Prior, 6.30pm – food, drink, quizzes, entertainment, Fair Trade hamper raffle, in aid of St Mary's Swaffham Prior and Mara Projects; pay what you can afford. Advance ordering essential – booking forms from mandy@kingsmills.uk or in St Mary's church. Take away meals available.

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Readings for Sunday 7 September – Year C

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of 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.

Prayer after Communion

God of all mercy,
in this eucharist you have set aside our sins
and given us your healing:
grant that we who are made whole in Christ
may bring that healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Old Testament - Deuteronomy 30 15-20

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Psalms 1

- 1 Blessed are they who have not walked in the ¹ counsel of the ¹ wicked, ♦
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the assembly ¹ of the ¹ scornful.
- 2 Their delight is in the ¹ law of the ¹ Lord ♦
and they meditate on his ¹ law ¹ day and ¹ night.
- 3 Like a tree planted by streams of water bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that ¹ do not ¹ wither, ♦
whatever they ¹ do, ¹ it shall ¹ prosper.
- 4 As for the wicked, it is not ¹ so with ¹ them; ♦
they are like chaff which the ¹ wind ¹ blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not be able to ¹ stand in the ¹ judgement, ♦
nor the sinner in the congregation ¹ of the ¹ righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the ¹ way of the ¹ righteous, ♦
but the ¹ way of the ¹ wicked shall ¹ perish.

New Testament - Philemon 1-21

¹Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ²to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. ⁸For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love – and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother – especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. ¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Gospel - Luke 14 25-33

²⁵Large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, ²⁶'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.'