

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 28 September – fifteenth after Trinity, Green

9am	Online service	on Zoom
	Holy Communion (BCP)	Swaffham Bulbeck
10.30am	Holy Communion	Swaffham Prior, Rhona's last service, cakes after!
3pm	Harvest Festival	Quay

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- All in need of God's healing power including: Martin, 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
- The creativity which enriches our lives – all artists, performers and people in the creative industries – that they may be properly appreciated
- The recent breakthrough in treatment for Huntington's disease and the comfort it will provide for many; the work of the scientific community; carers and health professionals

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** – St James' Church Lode Fridays 3, 10, 17, 24 October 1.30pm - 3.30pm
- Thursdays 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

Sunday 28 September – Revd Rhona's last day – we have benefited so much from Rhona's ministry with us - please come along to morning services to wish her well for her move to Norfolk.... there will be cake in Swaffham Prior!

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 5 October - sixteenth after Trinity

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

Sunday 12 October - seventeenth after Trinity

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

Sunday 19 October - eighteenth after Trinity

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

Every Thursday 10.30am Holy Communion, Lode
Thursday 9 October - Harvest Festival Service, 11am

EVENTS

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; take-away available; booking forms: mandy@kingsmills.uk or St Mary's church.
Booking deadline – 28 September

9–12 October - Harvest Festival - St James' Lode
Thursday 9 October - Harvest Festival Service, 11am
Harvest Lunch, 12.15pm; £10 01223 811457/ 811222

Saturday 18 October - Jumble Sale – St James', Lode, 2-4pm; items may be brought to church on afternoon of Friday 17 October or morning of Saturday 18 October

Saturday 18 October – Quiz Night - Village Hall, Swaffham Prior, 7.30pm; jacket potato supper; £7pp
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Readings for Sunday 28 September – Year C

Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through 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

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Old Testament - Amos 6 1a, 4-7

Thus says the Lord, the God of hosts: ¹Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria! ⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; ⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; ⁶who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! ⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Psalms 146

- 1 Alleluia. Praise the Lord, ¹O my ¹soul: ♦ while I ¹live • will I ¹praise the ¹Lord;
- 1a as long as I ¹have any ¹being, ♦ I will sing ¹praises ¹to my ¹God.
- 2 Put not your trust in princes, nor in any ¹human ¹power, ♦ for there ¹is no ¹help in ¹them.
- 3 When their breath goes forth, they re¹turn to the ¹earth; ♦ on that day ¹all their ¹thoughts ¹perish.
- 4 Happy are those who have the God of Jacob ¹for their ¹help, ♦ whose hope is ¹in the ¹Lord their ¹God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea and ¹all that is ¹in them; ♦ who ¹keeps his ¹promise for ¹ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those that ¹suffer ¹wrong ♦ and ¹bread to ¹those who ¹hunger.
- 7 The Lord looses ¹those that are ¹bound; ♦ the Lord opens the ¹eyes ¹of the ¹blind;
- 8 The Lord lifts up those who ¹are bowed ¹down; ♦ the ¹Lord ¹loves the ¹righteous;
- 9 The Lord watches over the stranger in the land; he upholds the ¹orphan and ¹widow; ♦ but the way of the wicked ¹he turns ¹upside ¹down.
- 10 The Lord shall ¹reign for ¹ever, ♦ your God, O Zion, throughout all gene¹rations. ¹Alle¹luia.

New Testament - 1 Timothy 6 6-19

⁶There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. ¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, ¹⁴I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time – he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen. ¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Gospel - Luke 16 19-31

Jesus told this parable to those among the Pharisees who loved money: ¹⁹There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." ²⁵But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." ²⁷The man who had been rich said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house - ²⁸for I have five brothers - that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." ²⁹Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." ³⁰He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." ³¹Abraham said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."