### **WEEKLY REFLECTION**

## **Key Contacts @ CHW Churches**

### **GOD HAS A PLAN FOR YOUR LIFE**

"I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good ... to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11. NLT

Paul was totally invested in what God had called him to do. Are you? When it comes to barriers to success, we are usually our own worst enemies. Taking the steps necessary to fulfil a God-given dream will cost you. You will have to work hard. You will have to make sacrifices. You will have to keep learning, growing, and changing. Are you willing to do that? Most people aren't. Ask people when they will do what they want to do, and most will answer that they hope to do it 'someday'. Why not now? Because you're not ready? Perhaps you're not. But if you wait until you are, maybe you will never do it. You only get ready by starting. And if you're willing to start, here are some things you can count on. First, it will be different from what you imagined. Second, it will be more difficult than you imagined. Third, it will be better than you imagined. Mark Twain said that the two greatest days in a person's life are the day they were born and the day they discover why they were born. If you want to discover why you were born, spend time with God. His Word says, "I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. In those days when you pray, I will listen. If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me" (w. 11-13 NLT). Pray God will help you discern why you were born and then for help to achieve it.

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## **BACK TO CHURCH SEASON**



### **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.

St Thomas' Church is looking for new 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



# 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.

# 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: LittleLambs@CHWChurches.org



# **DURING THE WEEK @ CHWCHURCHES**

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

### **Tuesday 30th September**

Monday 29th 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

### **Wednesday 1st October**

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
19.30 PCC Meeting 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**

28<sup>th</sup> September 2025 (15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after <u>Trinity</u>)

Readings: Amos 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Psalm 146; Luke 16:19-end

- ST. MICHAEL'S HORTON 9.30 a.m. Parish Communion
- ST. ANDREW'S WRAYSBURY 11.00 a.m. Parish Communion
- ST. THOMAS' COLNBROOK 11.00 a.m. Parish Communion

# 5th October 2025 (16th Sunday after Trinity)

Readings: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Psalm 37:1-9; Luke 17:5-10 (Harvest readings: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Philippians 4:4-9 or Revelation 14:14-18; Psalm 100; John 6:25-35)

- ST. MICHAEL'S HORTON 9.30 a.m. Harvest Parish Communion
- ST. ANDREW'S WRAYSBURY 10.30 a.m. Refreshments, 11.00a.m. Contemporary Service
- ST. MICHAEL'S COLNBROOK 11.00 a.m. Parish Communion

# 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.

# **4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY SERVICES**

Following the Joint PCC meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> September, where a discussion was held about the availability of cover for services, it was agreed by a majority vote that the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of every month should be a Joint Benefice Service from October 2025.

Please see below the schedule of COMBINED services of 2025 for your diaries: [please note: these do not include all the special services for the season, that information will follow in a separate notice]

26<sup>th</sup> October St. Andrew's 11.00am (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

23<sup>rd</sup> November St. Thomas' 11.00am (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

30<sup>th</sup> November St. Andrew's 11.00am (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

25<sup>th</sup> December St. Michael's 11.00am (Christmas Day)

28<sup>th</sup> December St. Thomas' 11.00am (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)



Many thanks for your support in this matter, please pray for the continued unity of our three churches.