

Calendar for 12th to 19th July

Sunday 12th July – Trinity 6

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Isaiah 55.10-13; Romans 8.1-11; Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23.
10.00am Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live online**
11.30am Holy Communion – **Little Hampden**
3.00pm Cream Teas and Music – **St Peter and St Paul**
6.00pm Sung Compline – **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 15th July

9.30am Holy Communion – **St Peter and St Paul**
10.30am Coffee 'n' Share – **St Peter and St Paul**

Sunday 19th July – Trinity 7

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Isaiah 44.6-8; Romans 8.12-25; Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43.
10.00am Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live online**
3.00pm Cream Teas and Music – **St Peter and St Paul**
6.00pm Evening Prayer – **St Peter and St Paul**

Future Dates for your Diary (at St Peter and St Paul unless stated)

Thursday 30th July, 10.30-11.30am – Coffee Morning at St Mary's Church, Ballinger. All welcome.

Saturday 22nd August, 7.30pm – Billy Watman, Anglo Brazilian guitarist. Further details and tickets at <http://www.missendenchurch.org.uk/billy-watman>

Saturday 26th September, 7.30pm – Moonrakers return after their successful previous visit. Folk and traditional Celtic music.

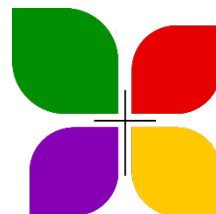
Saturday 3rd October, 2.30pm – FGMPCC Talk & Tea 'Engineering for Life'.

Live-Streaming of our Services

Many of our 10am services are streamed live. If you have any questions or concerns see notice board and/or please contact the Vicar or Safeguarding Officer (details below).

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St Peter and St Paul, Great Missenden
St Mary's Church, Ballinger
Little Hampden

**Helping one another to Know, to
Serve and to Share God's love**

Sunday 12th July– The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Please include in our prayers:

- for a new Bishop of Oxford, elected through the guidance of the Holy Spirit;
- for peace throughout the world and good government for all nations;
- for Mylo Roberts who is to be confirmed at St Mary's in Old Amersham, next Sunday 19th July at 10.30am;
- for the process of appointing a Youth Worker and a volunteer lead fund raiser;
- for Venezuela, for those who are homeless and injured, and for those who have died as a result of the earthquakes.

'But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'
(Matthew 13.23-28)

Collect

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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,

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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The Vicar writes...

Although he has previously recorded Jesus' enigmatic sayings and evocative images, this is the first time Matthew refers to a 'parable'; and this is the quintessential parable, pointing to how they function. Jesus uses a scenario familiar to his audience, sketches memorable pictures and challenges them to listen and reflect. The key questions seem to be: Where am I in this story? How will I respond when I hear Jesus' message? For as the fuller explanation to his puzzled disciples shows, parables mysteriously both reveal the truth and avoid forcing it on those uninterested in it.

(Based on Matthew 13. 1-9, 18-23.)

News and Events

Cream Teas are served every Sunday until the end of September from 3pm-5pm in the Church. Come and enjoy home-made cakes and scones, with music from Classical Guitarists.

Coffee 'n' Share. Our last Coffee 'n' Share will be on Wednesday 22nd July, following which we will take a break over the summer. We return on Wednesday 2nd September at Abbeyfield, and then at St Peter and St Paul for the following Wednesdays.

Lee Flower Show. The annual show will take place on Saturday 18th July and St Mary's will be having our usual stall to raise money for the church. We hope to see as many people as possible as it is a really good afternoon out. We will be having our bottle game and Shove Halfpenny, as well as a Lucky Dip for the children so any contributions would be gratefully received. Thank you. Maggi Cameron and Anne Ellis.

The Damon Singers Summer Pudding Concert, Saturday 18th July, 7.30pm at Christ Church, Chesham, HP5 1NX. Tickets (including puddings and a drink) £12.50, 12-18s £7.50, under 12s free. Available in advance from Perfect Pitch, The Broadway Chesham or call 07747 455 704. Tickets on the door if still available, £15 and £10, cash only.

Lighthouse is nearly here (27-31 July 2026), and we'd love you to be part of it. There are lots of different ways to get involved this year, including some new roles, and we're always especially in need of Lighthouse Keepers. You don't have to commit to the whole week – even a day or two really helps. If you're not quite sure what might suit you, do have a look at the website.

We're expecting around 750 children this year, and to be able to welcome as many as possible, we do need more helpers across our teams. If you're able to help. Please do sign up – it really does make a difference.

For more information or to get involved, please visit www.lighthousemissenden.org.uk

Tickets are now available for...

- **Lighthouse Missenden Bingo Night.** Join us on the Lighthouse site on Saturday 25th July, 7.30pm, for our inaugural Bingo Night. Tickets are £10

and all proceeds go towards Lighthouse. Licensed bar available on the night with a variety of drinks to choose from. The ticket includes five rounds of Bingo with the opportunity to win cash prizes!
<https://www.ticketsource.com/lighthousemissenden/lighthouse-missenden-bingo-night/e-bpjrgl>

- **Lighthouse Barn Dance.** Come along to our annual Barn Dance Fundraiser on Saturday 1st August at 7.30pm and dance the night away! The Wick Trimmers will be returning and we'll also have Renegade Fries on-site for those looking for some fantastic food, as well as The Lighthouse Bar. Tickets £10 per adult, £5 per child and £25 for a family ticket (2 adults and 2 children). Food and drink is not included in the ticket price but will be available for purchase on the night. We can't wait to see you there!
<https://www.ticketsource.com/whats-on/buckinghamshire/the-lighthouse-marquee/lighthouse-missenden-barn-dance/e-vgojzk>

Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church (Regd. Charity No.: 1067435)

- **The Library Tabletop Sale and sales at Cream Teas** last weekend raised £391 for more vital church repairs. We are grateful for this fundraising support.
- **The Lee Flower Show.** We will have a stand with our home-made Jams, Marmalades and Chutneys on Saturday 18th July, from 1.45-5pm. Venue: The Lee Cricket Ground, Manor Park, The Lee, HP16 9NA. Do come along to say hello and to enjoy the afternoon.
- **"Engineering for Life – the Story of the Martin-Baker Aircraft Company Ejection Seats"** by Steve Rogers, Head of Business Development, with 36 years' experience at the company. This is our charity's next Talk & Afternoon Tea fundraising event at 2.30pm on Saturday 3rd October, in the Parish Church. Over 90,000 seats have been delivered to 93 air forces around the world and 7,825 lives have been saved since 1949. A family-run firm, it is the world leader in the design and manufacture of ejection and crashworthy seats for fixed-wing aircraft and helicopters. Tickets (£15) will be available at Samways and after the 10am service from the end of August, or at the door on the day. Please tell your family and friends about this event. We look forward to seeing you there! (Contact Vivienne – 01494 891 312)



The Chiltern Foodbank is currently looking for donations of...

Cup-a-Soup, Instant Mashed Potato, Long-life Milk, Sponge Puddings, Squash, Tinned Carrots, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Ham.

All items must be within BBE date, please.

chiltern.foodbank.org.uk

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