

Calendar for 23rd August to 6th September

Sunday 23rd August – Trinity 12

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Isaiah 51.1-6; Romans 12.1-8; Matthew 16.13-20.
10.00am Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live online**
3.00pm Cream Teas and Music – **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 26th August

9.30am Holy Communion – **St Peter and St Paul**

Sunday 30th August – Trinity 13

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Jeremiah 15.15-21; Romans 12.9-end; Matthew 16.21-end.
10.00am Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live online**
3.00pm Cream Teas and Music – **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 2nd September

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

Sunday 6th September – Trinity 14

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Ezekiel 33.7-11; Romans 13.8-end; Matthew 18.15-20.
9.30am Said Eucharist with hymns – **St Mary's Church, Ballinger**
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)

Saturday 5th September, 10.30am – 1pm – “Friends” Preserves Tabletop Sale at the Library Forecourt.

Saturday 26th September, 7.30pm – Moonrakers return with Folk and traditional Celtic music. Tickets from missendenchurch.org.uk/moonrakers

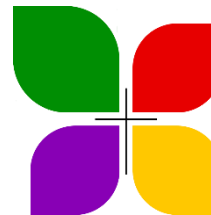
Saturday 3rd October, 2.30pm – FGMPCC Talk & Tea ‘Engineering for Life’.

Livestreaming 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 23rd August – The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
Sunday 30th August – The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Please include in our prayers:

- for our Diocese, and election of our new Bishop of Oxford;
- for peace throughout the world, especially in Eastern Europe and the Middle East;
- for all elected MPs and officials, that they may work for the common good;
- for the process of appointing a Youth Worker and a volunteer lead fund raiser;
- for those who live in care homes, or those who live under care at home;
- for all those who are sick in body, mind or spirit.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

John 3.16

Please note, you can subscribe to the online version of the Newssheet by contacting the Church Office by email: office@missendenchurch.org.uk

Collect for 23rd August

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.

Post Communion

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and give 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.

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The Vicar writes...

Jesus's first question to his friends here enables them to share some perceptions of his identity which they will have heard from the crowds. While not accurate, every suggestion shows something of how Jesus fulfilled Israel's prophetic tradition, the challenging voices recurring through much of their history. Then comes his more direct question: what is their understanding? This will be critical to his ongoing mission; and while he is pleased with the term 'Messiah', he now orders them to silence on this. His next task will be to have them understand messiahship in his terms, not those of popular imagination.

(Based on Matthew 16.13-20.)

Collect for 30th August

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Almost immediately after Peter's decisive confession that Jesus is the Christ, Jesus begins to rebuild the disciples' understanding of what it means to be Israel's Messiah. The key point is that suffering lies ahead: the Jewish leaders will reject God's appointed representative in the most brutal, humiliating way,

through that will not be the end. Peter's understanding here crumbles, earning him a sharp rebuke. Yet the corollary is that they must all face the possibility of suffering: it is always the potential consequence of discipleship. Each of us needs to consider Jesus' claims and evaluate the alternatives and their outcomes.

(Based on Matthew 16.21-28.)

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 Clarinet Group on 23rd August and Petrichor on 30th August.

Coffee 'n' Share will return to normal on Wednesday 2nd September at Abbeyfield, and then at St Peter and St Paul for the following Wednesdays.

Funerals The funeral of Graham Laurie will take place at Milton Chapel, Chilterns Crematorium on Monday 7th September at 1.45pm; Maureen Mayhew's funeral will be at St Peter and St Paul on Friday 28th August at 12 noon.

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

"Engineering for Life – the Story of the Martin-Baker Aircraft Company Ejection Seats" by Steve Roberts, Head of Business Development, with 36 years' experience at the company. This is the 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) available at Samways and after the 10am services, or on 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)

Misbourne Careers Day. Looking forward to the next academic year – we are starting to plan our Year 11 Careers Day. As part of our careers programme we run a number of drop-down days with a variety of recruitment / work ready activities. We rely on members of the local community to provide a real-world experience for the students and are very grateful for your support. Would you be available to conduct a mock interview with some of our Year 11 students on 13 November? Details about the event can be found in the attached briefing document. If you are available – **please sign up** using this link <https://forms.gle/hJS1HL1gmd2HYHrd9>



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