

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 23 August – Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, Green

9am Online service
10.30am Holy Communion BCP
Holy Communion

on Zoom
Swaffham Bulbeck
Swaffham Prior

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- All in need of God's healing power including: Amanda and Vincent, Jonathan, Mike, Enid, Jutta, David, Linda, Lydia, Derek, Lesley, John, Alun, Janet, 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, including Roger Jenyns, thinking of Jill, and of George and Frances and their families. Dr David Hanke, thinking of Veronica and family; memorial service Saturday 19 September, 2.30pm, St Mary's Swaffham Bulbeck. All whose anniversaries we remember at this time of year
- All – in this country and overseas – dealing with challenging weather or climate issues
- Those in the creative industries, struggling in difficult times; that we may always appreciate talent and creativity
- Any considering taking up roles in ministry in the church; that they will be guided on the appropriate path

REGULAR EVENTS – open to all in the Benefice

Please Check Summer Arrangements

- **Play + Praise** – Fridays in term time, St James', Lode, 9.30am
- **Baby & Toddler Playgroup** – Tuesdays, Holy Trinity, Bottisham, 9am
- **Peaceful & Prayerful Art Group** for adults - re-starts September, first three Fridays of the month, St James' Church, Lode 1.30-3.30pm. All welcome - drawing/painting materials supplied or bring your own craft project; refreshments, 077792 656223 rutheblundell@gmail.com

Bible Study/Prayer Groups

- **Lent Group follow-up – Sacred Space** - St James', Lode, 8-9pm – for prayer, quiet singing and contemplation. First Tuesdays, all welcome lizbutl@gmail.com
- **CbyC: a short contemplative service:** Monthly on first Wednesday, 8pm on Zoom – Next: **Wednesday 2 September**
- **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

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 30 August - Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, Green

9am Online service, on Zoom
10.30am Holy Communion, Lode
6pm Evensong, Swaffham Prior

Sunday 6 September – Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity, Green

9am Online service, on Zoom
10.30am Holy Communion & baptism, Bottisham

Sunday 13 September – Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, Green

9am Online service, on Zoom
Holy Communion, Quay
10.30am Holy Communion BCP, Swaffham Prior

Sunday 20 September – Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, Green

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

Thursdays 10.30am Holy Communion, Lode

EVENTS

Sunday 23 August – Cambridge Vocal Consort,

Music for a Summer's Day, 3pm St Mary's, Quay, £10 inc refreshments
bill.watts5@btinternet.com or on the door

Saturday 5 September – Fun Dog Show,

Swaffham Prior Village Hall, 1.45pm - £1/class 07833 960678 - with Village Harvest Show, Spuds in Bucket Weigh-In and cream teas

Saturday 12 September - Ride and Stride,

In aid of Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust which provides churches with repair and improvement grants;
<https://camhct.uk/ride-and-stride/ride-and-stride-general-information/>

Saturday 3 October – Harvest Supper, Swaffham Prior Village Hall,

6.30pm: salad & quiche supper with scrumptious puddings; entertainment from Jude Simpson Jude Simpson – Poet, Wordsmith, Writer, Performer; in aid of Mara and St Mary's. Booking essential; order forms available admin@angleseygroupparishes.co.uk

Pew cushions - £5, in aid of St Mary's, Swaffham Prior
Oak and Walnut tree seedlings – donations to Mara
admin@angleseygroupparishes.co.uk

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Readings for Sunday 23 August – Year A

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 - Isaiah 51 1-6

¹Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the LORD. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. ²Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. ³For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. ⁴Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

Psalm 138

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my ¹ whole ¹ heart; ♦
before the gods will ¹ I sing ¹ praise to ¹ you.
- 2 I will bow down towards your holy temple and praise your name, because of your ¹ love and ¹ faithfulness; ♦
for you have glorified your name ¹ and your ¹ word above ¹ all things.
- 3 In the day that I called to you, you ¹ answered ¹ me; ♦
you ¹ put new ¹ strength in my ¹ soul.
- 4 All the kings of the earth shall ¹ praise you, O ¹ Lord, ♦
for they have ¹ heard the ¹ words of your ¹ mouth.

- 5 They shall sing of the ¹ ways of the ¹ Lord, ♦
that great is the ¹ glory ¹ of the ¹ Lord.
 - 6 Though the Lord be high, he watches ¹ over the ¹ lowly; ♦
as for the proud, he re¹gards them ¹ from a¹far.
 - 7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, ¹ you • will pre¹serve me; ♦
you will stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; ¹ your right ¹ hand will ¹ save me.
 - 8 The Lord shall make good his ¹ purpose ¹ for me; ♦
your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever;
for¹sake • not the ¹ work of your ¹ hands.
- Glory to the Father and ¹ to the ¹ Son ♦ and ¹ to the ¹ Holy ¹ Spirit; as it was in the be¹ginning is ¹ now ♦ and shall be for ¹ ever. ¹ A¹men

New Testament - Romans 12 1-8

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Gospel - Matthew 16 13-20

¹³When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' ¹⁴And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' ¹⁵He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' ¹⁶Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' ²⁰Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.