Please Pray for

…those who have died, including: **Greta Thew, Jim Hatch,** and **Luke**
…those who are unwell, including: **Barry Pointer, Debbie Matthias**, **Denise Oldaker** (Ann Jarrett's sister-in-law), **Janet Guy** (in hospital), **Joy Coombs** (waiting for heart op), **Margaret Harden, Margaret Hart, Mavis Eastwood, Natasha** (and Bowie the dog), **Nick Flood, Nick Turner, Pam Farquharson, Rae Tugwell,** & **Simon Bell**

If Jesus Christ is 'the King of all' – as today's Collect says – earthly rulers take their authority from him and are entrusted with the task of extending 'his just and gentle rule', in a world that is 'divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin'. We remember all leaders today and pray that governments will themselves be 'governed' by Christ as they serve the people.

Daily Bible Readings:

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for each Sunday. Try to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passage.

Sunday	Matthew 25:1-13	Parable of the wise & foolish girls
Monday	Matthew 24:36-44	Keep watch
Tuesday	Deuteronomy 4:5-20	Watch yourselves carefully
Wednesday	Micah 7:1-7	Watching in hope for the Lord
Thursday	Luke 21:29-36	Be always on the watch
Friday	2 John 1-11	Watch out!
Saturday	Psalm 59	Looking to the Lord
Sunday	Matthew 25:14-30	Parable of the talents

Scripture Verses for this Week: We believe that Jesus died and then came to life again. Because we believe this, we know that God will bring to life again all those who belong to Jesus. – 1 Thessalonians 4:14 (NLV)

Prayer for this Week: Lord Jesus, I wait for you to come again. Take me to be with you forever. Amen. (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17)

A Blessing to Share: *May God watch over you and keep your faith strong until Jesus comes again. Amen.*

Readings for 15th November – 2nd Before Advent

Zephaniah 1:7,12-end; Psalm 90:1-8[9-11]12; 1 Thess 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-20

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Thorngate & Blackwater BENEFICE



News & Notices
8th to 15th November

Sunday 8th November – Remembrance

8.15am	Said Eucharist at Wellow
From 9am	Online Service www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches
9am	Communion (BCP - Said) at East Dean
10am	Morning Prayer on Remembrance Sunday at West Tytherley
10am	Remembrance Service at Wellow Village Hall
10.30am	Eucharist at Lockerley
10.45am	Remembrance Service at Sherfield English
10.45am	Act of Remembrance at Wellow Memorial
1045am	Act of Remembrance at West Tytherley Memorial
2.30pm/3pm	Service at Lockerley Memorial and process to Church
9pm	Online Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

Readings for 8th November – Remembrance

Amos 5:18-24 Psalm 70	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Matthew 25:1-13
The prophet warns those who seek the day of the Lord, because it is a day of darkness, not of light. God is tired of the people's festivals and offerings and looks instead for justice and righteousness.	There is no reason to be concerned about those who have already died. When the Lord returns, the dead will rise and all will be caught up with him in the clouds.	Going to meet the bridegroom, five wise bridesmaids take oil with their lamps, while five take no oil. When the lamps begin to go out, those without a supply of oil have to go and buy more and end up being late and shut out of the wedding. We should keep awake because we do not know when the Lord is coming.

Monday to Saturday - 9am & 9pm Online Morning & Night Prayer
www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

Wednesday 11th November

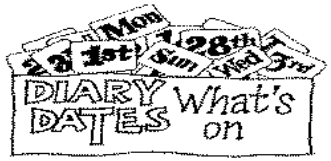
9am Eucharist at Lockerley
10.45/11am Act of Remembrance at Wellow War Memorial

Thursday 12th November

7pm Wellow Home Group in Wellow Vicarage

Sunday 15th November – 2nd Before Advent

8am Communion (BCP) at East Dean
From 9am Online Service www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches
9am Eucharist at West Tytherley
9.15am Sung Eucharist at Wellow
10.30am Celebration Service at Lockerley
11am Family Service at Sherfield English
4pm Family Service in Wellow Village Hall
9pm Online Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches



	22nd November	29th Nov	6th December	13th Dec	20th December
East Dean	6pm (BCP) Evensong	**1030am Benefice Eucharist at Wellow 6pm Service of Light at Lockerley**	11am (BCP) Matins	9am (BCP) Communion	8am (BCP) Communion
East Tytherley	-		-	-	-
Lockerley	1030am Eucharist		8am (BCP) Communion 1030am Celebration Service	1030am Eucharist	1030am Celebration Service **6pm Carol Service**
Sherfield English	11am Morning Prayer		11am Communion	**6pm Carol Service**	**11am Christingle Service**
West Tytherley	9am (BCP) Matins		9.45/10am Breakfast Church	8am (BCP) Communion	9am Eucharist
Wellow	8.15am (BCP) Communion 9.15am (BCP) Matins		9.15am Sung Eucharist **4pm Messy Christingle in Village Hall**	9.15am Sung Eucharist	9.15am Said Eucharist **5pm Nine Lessons and Carols**

A **Wellow Home Group** has started! We have settled on 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month. (12th and 26th November). All are welcome to attend. Details from me at revsj@btinternet.com

The **West Tytherley Book Group** is set to start a new Book (Beatitudes – Jesus's sayings of "Blessed are the…") The next meetings are on 24th Nov, 8th Dec and 12th Jan at 7pm at Crispins, Lockerley (revsuepitkin@gmail.com for details)

Charity of the Month

Combat Stress is the UK's leading Veterans' mental health charity.

For almost a century, they've helped former servicemen and women deal with issues like trauma, anxiety, depression and post-traumatic stress disorder. Today, they provide support to veterans from every service and every conflict. On the phone and online. In the community and at their treatment centres.

They are on a mission to raise awareness that invisible injuries can be just as hard to cope with as physical ones. So when a veteran is having a tough time, they are there to help tackle the past and to help them take on the future.

See www.combatstress.org.uk for more details

(Collection Baskets in each church or deliver to Crispins, Lockerley SO51 0JJ)

Remembrance Reflection: The Sacred Silence

Every November, a unique and heavy stillness falls across our communities. At the stroke of eleven, the usual rush of life gives way to a profound, collective quiet. In that pause, we stand together to remember the fragile thread of peace and the immense human cost at which it was secured.

To remember is an active choice. Without a deliberate effort to look back, the lessons of history fade all too quickly into the background of a busy world. Standing in silence allows us to cross the boundaries of time, connecting our peaceful present with the bitter realities of past conflicts. We think of those who stepped forward into the unknown, who left their homes, their families, and their futures to protect others. We carry the memory of their courage, their sacrifice, and the deep grief left behind in every town and village.

Yet, this reflection is not just about looking backward; it is a vital reminder for our lives today. True remembrance calls us to guard the principles so painfully won. It challenges us to look closely at our world and actively pursue reconciliation, understanding, and unity where there is division. By holding their stories close, we turn our gratitude into a living promise to care for the living and work tirelessly for the common cause of peace.

When the silence ends and the world begins to move again, we carry their legacy forward. We promise to remember them not just in a single moment of quiet, but in how we live, how we love, and how we choose peace every single day.