O Lord hear my prayer — Please Pray for

…those who have died, including:
Luke and **Valerie Wieland** (funeral at Lock 19th Nov 2.30pm)
…those who are unwell, including: **Barry Pointer, Debbie Matthias**, **Denise Oldaker** (Ann Jarrett's sister-in-law), **Hilary Thompson** (in hospital), **Janet Guy** (in hospital), **Joy Coombs** (heart op), **Margaret Harden, Margaret Hart, Mavis Eastwood, Natasha** (and Bowie the dog), **Nick Flood, Nick Turner, Pam Farquharson, Rae Tugwell,** & **Simon Bell**

As we draw near to the end of the Church Year, and look forward to Advent and the start of a new one, we are reminded in today's Collect of the ultimate purpose of our lives: to become 'like Jesus Christ – in his glorious Kingdom'. This is only possible because Christ has 'destroyed the works of the devil and made us the children of God and heirs of eternal life'.

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 25:14-30	*Parable of the talents*
Monday	Luke 12:42-48	*Parable of the servants*
Tuesday	Joshua 24:1,14-27	*Israel commits to faithfulness*
Wednesday	2 Samuel 22:1-4,17-32	*God is faithful to the faithful*
Thursday	2 Timothy 2:1-13	*God's faithfulness*
Friday	Revelation 2:8-11	*Be faithful unto death*
Saturday	Psalm 18:20-33	*The faithfulness of God*
Sunday	Matthew 25:31-46	*The sheep and the goats*

Scripture Verse for this Week: Encourage one another and build each other up (1 Thess 5:11)
A Morning Prayer: Lord God, teach us to use wisely all the time we have today. Amen.
An Evening Prayer: Lord God, thank you for all you have given us. Help us to be faithful servants who make the most of your gifts. Amen. (Matthew 25:14-30)
A Blessing to Give: *Child of light, may God bless you with faith, hope and love, this day and always. Amen.* (1 Thessalonians 5:5,8)

Readings for 22nd November – Christ the King

Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24; Psalm 95:1-7; Ephesians 1:15-end; Matthew 25:31-end

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Thorngate & Blackwater BENEFICE

News & Notices
15th to 22nd November



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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

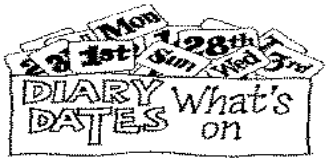
Readings for 15th November – 2nd Before Advent

Zephaniah 1:7,12-end Psalm 90:1-8[9-11]12	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Matthew 25:14-20
A challenging message from the prophet. We must listen to and trust God and repent of our sins. We are to discern God's will for our lives. The day of judgement is coming.	St Paul offers a string of metaphors highlighting our need to stay attentive to the Lord and his return. He also says that we should encourage one another.	God gives to each of us only as much as we can manage. We are given all we need to face the challenges ahead, and it is our challenge to use it well.

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

Monday 16th November

6pm West Tytherley PCC Meeting



Wednesday 18th November

9am Eucharist at Lockerley
2.30pm Wellow PCC Meeting

Sunday 22nd November – Christ the King

8.15an Communion (BCP) at Wellow
From 9am Online Service www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches
9am Matins (BCP) at West Tytherley
9.15am Matins (BCP) at Wellow
10.30am Eucharist at Lockerley
11am Morning Prayer at Sherfield English
6pm Evensong (BCP) at East Dean
9pm Online Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

Sunday 29th November – Advent Sunday

1030am Benefice Eucharist at Wellow
6pm Service of Light at Lockerley

	6th Dec	13th Dec	20th Dec	24th Dec	25th Dec	27th Dec
East Dean	11am (BCP) Matins	9am (BCP) Communion	8am (BCP) Communion	-	**9am (BCP) Communion**	-
East Tytherley	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lockerley	8am (BCP) Communion 1030am Celebration Service	1030am Eucharist	1030am Celebration Service **6pm Carol Service**	**4pm Christingle**	**1030am Eucharist**	**1030am Eucharist**
Sherfield English	11am Communion	**6pm Carol Service**	**11am Christingle Service**	**8pm 'Midnight Mass'**	**11am Christmas Service**	**11am Morning Prayer**
West Tytherley	9.45/10am Breakfast Church	8am (BCP) Communion	9am Eucharist		**1030am Eucharist**	-
Wellow	9.15am Sung Eucharist **4pm Messy Christingle in Village Hall**	9.15am Sung Eucharist	9.15am Said Eucharist **5pm Nine Lessons and Carols**	**2pm Crib Service**	**9.15am Sung Eucharist**	**9.15am Sung Eucharist**

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.

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