

In & around the Benefice....

20th May | Pentecost

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Ordination!

Amanda Oliver will be ordained at Peterborough Cathedral at 4pm on Sunday 24th June

Everyone is warmly encouraged to support Amanda by attending the service. Please let your churchwarden know if you would be interested in a lift on a minibus.

There will be a said Holy Communion at 9am, Castle Ashby on that Sunday, all other services are cancelled.

Worship in our churches...

Today...

8.00am	Whiston	BCP Eucharist
9.00am	Grendon	Holy Communion
11.00am	Denton	All Age Holy Communion
4.00pm	Yardley Hastings	BCP evening prayer

Next week 27th May, Trinity Sunday ...

9.00am	Castle Ashby	Holy Communion
11.00am	Yardley Hastings	All Age Holy Communion
4.00pm	Grendon	Worship for All

Midweek Services

Weds 9.30am	Grendon	Holy Communion
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Please hold in your prayers this week...

- ◇ Our Bishops Donald and John
- ◇ Our curate Amanda and her husband Darren and family as she prepares for ordination
- ◇ Persecuted Christians around the world
- ◇ Those affected by war in Syria, especially Eastern Ghouta
- ◇ Those in residential care and the housebound, among them: Gwen Brimacombe, Audrey Desborough, Ruth Williams.
- ◇ Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, among them: Betty Eyre and Delsie Greasley.
- ◇ The recently departed, among them Valerie Bannister and all who grieve at this time.

Sunday 3rd June, 12 noon,

Castle Ashby's Italian Gardens



Fun for all the family
Classes for all sorts of Dogs + Dog Agility Ring
BBQ – Stalls – Afternoon Teas – Attractions – Magician
Silent Auction – Grand Raffle – Pimms Stall
Davenry Music Centre Brass Band
Dexterity School of Dance

Admission £5, concessions & children over 12 £4,
under 12 FREE

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Dates for the Diary...

Tues	22nd	7.00pm	Yardley Hastings PCC meeting
Weds	23rd	7.30pm	St Mary's Community Choir, St Mary's Grendon
Weds	23rd	7.45pm	Benefice Choir Practice, St Andrew's Yardley Hastings
Thurs	24th	7.30pm	Castle Ashby PCC meeting
Fri	25th	3.30pm	After School coffee and cake, St Margaret's Denton
Weds	30th	7.30pm	St Mary's Community Choir, St Mary's Grendon
Weds	30th	7.45pm	Benefice Choir Practice, St Andrew's Yardley Hastings
Thurs	31st	10.30am	Castle Ashby Community Coffee Morning, The Buttery, Castle Ashby

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Sat	2nd	9.15am	Pilgrim course on the Lord's Prayer—third session, Church Room Grendon
Sun	3rd	12.00noon	Castle Ashby Church Fete and Dog Show, Italian Gardens, Castle Ashby
Tues	5th	7.35pm	Ministry team meeting
Weds	6th	11.00am	Little Fishes, St Mary's Grendon
Weds	6th	7.30pm	St Mary's Community Choir, St Mary's Grendon
Weds	6th	7.45pm	Benefice Choir Practice, St Andrew's Yardley Hastings
Sat	9th	9.15am	Pilgrim course on the Lord's Prayer, fourth session, Church Room Grendon
Fri	15th	7.30pm	St Mary's Community Choir concert with cheese and wine, Grendon

The Collect

God, who as at this time
taught the hearts of your faithful people
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:
grant us by the same Spirit
to have a right judgement in all things
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**
(or)
Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

First Reading

Acts 2: 1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

"In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Romans 8: 22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

John 15: 26-27; 16: 4b-15

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord**

Jesus spoke to his disciples:
'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. 'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion

Faithful God,
who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal:
open our lips by your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**