

# In & around the Benefice....

27th May | Trinity Sunday

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## Worship in our churches...

### Today...

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

### Next week 3rd June, First Sunday after Trinity ...

8.00am	Whiston	BCP Eucharist
9.00am	Denton	Holy Communion
11.00am	Grendon	All Age Holy Communion and re-dedication of the clock.
4.00pm	Yardley Hastings	Worship For All

### Midweek Services

Weds 9.30am	Grendon	Holy Communion
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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.

## 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  
Davenport 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...

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
<b>June</b>			
Sat	2nd	9.15am	Pilgrim course on the Lord's Prayer—third session, Church Room Grendon
Sat	2nd	1.00pm	Marriage of Miss Keilah Line and Mr Harry Codd at St Mary's 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
Weds	13th	7.30pm	St Mary's Community Choir, St Mary's Grendon
Weds	13th	7.45pm	Benefice Choir Practice, St Andrew's Yardley Hastings
Thurs	14th	6.30pm	Youth Group, St Mary's Grendon
Fri	15th	7.30pm	St Mary's Community Choir concert with cheese and wine, Grendon
Fri	15th	3.30pm	Messy Church, URC Yardley Hastings

## The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the  
Unity:

keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all  
adversities;  
through 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. **Amen**

**(or)**

Holy God,  
faithful and unchanging:  
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,  
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your  
love,  
that we may truly worship you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## First Reading

*Isaiah 6: 1-8*

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord  
sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his  
robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance  
above him; each had six wings: with two they covered  
their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and  
with two they flew. And one called to another and  
said:

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.'

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of  
those who called, and the house filled with  
smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a  
man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of  
unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King,  
the Lord of hosts!'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live  
coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of  
tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said:  
'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has  
departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the  
voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who  
will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

*Romans 8: 12-17*

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh,  
to live according to the flesh—for if you live according  
to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to  
death the deeds of the body, you will live.  
For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of  
God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall  
back into fear, but you have received a spirit of  
adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very

Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are  
children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of  
God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer  
with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading

*John 3: 1-17*

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

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of  
the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him,  
'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come  
from God; for no one can do these signs that you do  
apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him,  
'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of  
God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said  
to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown  
old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's  
womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell  
you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without  
being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the  
flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do  
not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be  
born from above." The wind blows where it chooses,  
and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know  
where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with  
everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said  
to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered  
him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not  
understand these things?'

'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and  
testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive  
our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things  
and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell  
you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into  
heaven except the one who descended from heaven,  
the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the  
serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be  
lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have  
eternal life.

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only  
Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not  
perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to  
condemn the world, but in order that the world might  
be saved through him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Post Communion

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy  
Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever. **Amen**