

# In & around the Benefice....

17th June | Third Sunday after Trinity

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## 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 24th June, Fourth Sunday after Trinity ...

9.00am Castle Ashby	Holy Communion
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### 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.

**ON 24TH JUNE THE ONLY SERVICE IN THE BENEFICE WILL BE 9AM SAID HOLY COMMUNION AT CASTLE ASHBY**

## 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
- ◇ All caught up in the aftermath of the volcanic eruption in Guatemala
- ◇ The inquiry into the Grenfell Tower fire
- ◇ 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, Delsie Greasley, Sally Hadland, Margaret Johnson, Danielle Rouffaud
- ◇ The recently departed and all who grieve at this time

## Weekly coffee mornings in the benefice:

**Wednesdays** 10am, Grendon,  
see church noticeboard for venue

**Thursdays** 10.30-11.30am

URC, Yardley Hastings

**Fridays** 10am-12noon,

St Margaret's, Denton



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## Dates for the Diary...

Tues	19th	7.35pm	Churchwardens meeting
Weds	20th	7.45pm	Benefice Choir Practice, St Andrew's Yardley Hastings
Sat	23rd	9.15am	Pilgrim course on the Lord's Prayer, final session, Church Room Grendon
Sat	23rd	3.00pm	Wedding, St Mary Magdalene Castle Ashby
Sun	24th	4.00pm	Amanda Oliver's Ordination, Peterborough Cathedral
Weds	27th	6.30pm	Youth Group, St Mary's Grendon
Weds	27th	7.45pm	Benefice Choir Practice, St Andrew's Yardley Hastings
Thurs	28th	10.30am	Castle Ashby Community coffee morning, The Buttery, Castle Ashby
Fri	29th	3.30pm	After school coffee and cake, St Margaret's Denton

## July

Weds	4th	11.00am	Little Fishes, St Mary's Grendon
Weds	4th	7.45pm	Benefice Choir Practice, St Andrew's Yardley Hastings
Thurs	5th	7.45pm	Grendon PCC meeting
Sat	7th	9.30am	Ministry Team meeting
Sun	8th	11am - 4pm	Open Gardens, Grendon

## The Collect

Almighty God,  
you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the  
Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you  
Father:

give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,  
that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious  
liberty of the children of God;  
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)

God our saviour,  
look on this wounded world in pity and in power;  
hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by  
your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

## First Reading

*1 Samuel 15: 34 - 16:13*

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house  
in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until  
the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And  
the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over  
Israel.

The Lord said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over  
Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill  
your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the  
Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king  
among his sons.' Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul  
hears of it, he will kill me.' And the Lord said, 'Take a  
heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to  
the Lord." Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show  
you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the  
one whom I name to you.' Samuel did what  
the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The  
elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said,  
'Do you come peaceably?' He said, 'Peaceably; I have  
come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and  
come with me to the sacrifice.' And he sanctified Jesse  
and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought,  
'Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord.' But  
the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance  
or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected  
him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look  
on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the  
heart.' Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass  
before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen  
this one.' Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he  
said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' Jesse made  
seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said  
to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen any of  
these.' Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?'  
And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is  
keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send  
and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes  
here.' He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy,  
and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome.

The Lord said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the  
one.' Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him  
in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of  
the Lord came mightily upon David from that day  
forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

## Second Reading

*2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 14-17*

Brothers and sisters, we are always confident; even  
though we know that while we are at home in the body  
we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by  
sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather  
be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So  
whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to  
please him. For all of us must appear before the  
judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive  
recompense for what has been done in the body,  
whether good or evil.

The love of Christ urges us on, because we are  
convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have  
died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live  
no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was  
raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a  
human point of view; even though we once knew Christ  
from a human point of view, we know him no longer in  
that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new  
creation: everything old has passed away; see,  
everything has become new!

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading

*Mark 4: 26 - 34*

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

Such a large crowd gathered around Jesus that he got  
into a boat and began to teach them using many  
parables. Jesus said, 'The kingdom of God is as if  
someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would  
sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout  
and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of  
itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in  
the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in  
with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

Jesus also said, 'With what can we compare the  
kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is  
like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground,  
is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is  
sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs,  
and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air  
can make nests in its shade.'

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as  
they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them  
except in parables, but he explained everything in private  
to his disciples.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Post Communion

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining  
and whose power we cannot comprehend:  
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,  
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear  
until we may look upon you without fear;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**Amen**