

In & around the Benefice....

29th July | Ninth Sunday after Trinity

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Worship in our churches...

Today...

11.00am Whiston Benefice service
-with talk from Reverend Paula about her recent pilgrimage to the Holy Land. (Toilet facilities will be available)

Next week 5th August, Tenth Sunday after Trinity ...

8.00am Whiston BCP Holy Communion
9.00am Denton Holy Communion
11.00am Grendon All Age Holy Communion
4.00pm Yardley Hastings Worship For All

Midweek Services

Weds 9.30am Grendon Holy Communion

Weekly coffee mornings:

Wednesdays 10am, Grendon,
see church noticeboard for venue

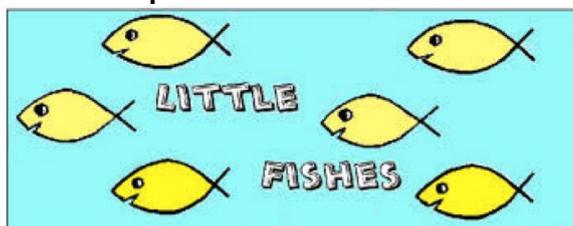
Thursdays 10.30-11.30am
URC, Yardley Hastings

Fridays 10am-12noon,
St Margaret's, Denton



Please hold in your prayers this week...

- ◇ Our Bishops Donald and John
- ◇ Our Rural Dean Miranda and for all the churches in Wellingborough Deanery
- ◇ For all those affected by the wild fires in Greece.
- ◇ 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, Judith Keggin, Tracey Mulrainey, Keith Oliver, Daniel Rouffaud, Tony Smith,
- ◇ Gwen York, Vilma York & Michelle
- ◇ The recently departed and all who grieve at this time



Weds 5th September, 11-12.30pm at St Mary's Grendon—exploring The Lord's Prayer for children
For under 5's and their grown-ups,
older siblings welcome.
Join us for stories, music, craft, fun and fellowship

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Dates for the Diary...

August

Fri 3rd 10am-noon 'The Place To Meet' - cuppa and chat with fellow villagers, Grendon Village Hall
Sat 25th 1.00pm Marriage of Lydia Gill and Rory Poulson at St Andrew's Yardley Hastings
Fri 31st 11am-1pm After school coffee and cake - details TBA

September

Weds 5th 11.00am Little Fishes, St Mary's Grendon
Weds 5th 7.45pm Benefice Choir Practice resumes after summer break
Weds 12th 7.30pm St Mary's Community Choir resumes after summer break
Sat 15th 12.00noon Marriage of Clair Brodie and Patrick Haythornthwaite at St Mary's Grendon

The Collect

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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)

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

First Reading

2 Samuel 11: 1-15

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, 'This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite.' So David sent messengers to fetch her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, 'I am pregnant.'

So David sent word to Joab, 'Send me Uriah the Hittite.' And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, 'Go down to your house, and wash your feet.' Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, 'Uriah did not go down to his house', David said to Uriah, 'You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?' Uriah said to David, 'The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing.' Then David said to Uriah, 'Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back.' So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, 'Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Ephesians 3: 14-21

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love.

I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

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Gospel Reading

John 6: 1-21

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

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion

Holy Father,
who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace,
gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen