

# *In & around the Benefice....*

*19th August | Twelfth Sunday after Trinity*

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## Worship in our churches...

### Today...

|         |                  |                        |
|---------|------------------|------------------------|
| 8.00am  | Whiston          | BCP Holy Communion     |
| 9.00am  | Grendon          | Holy Communion         |
| 11.00am | Denton           | All Age Holy Communion |
| 4.00pm  | Yardley Hastings | BCP Evening Prayer     |

### Next week 26th August, Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity ...

|         |                  |                        |
|---------|------------------|------------------------|
| 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

### 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
- ◇ Our Curate Amanda and her family as they grieve their recently departed
- ◇ Those affected by the wildfires 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, Daniel Rouffaud, Tony Smith, Gwen York, Vilma York and Michelle
- ◇ The recently departed, among them: Peter Lack, Keith Oliver, and all who grieve at this time



## Come and try the organ

**Sunday 9th Sept, 2.30 - 4.00pm**  
**at Castle Ashby Church**

Learn how this beautiful organ works,  
listen to a demonstration and  
have a go yourself!

All welcome, please contact  
Richard Tapp on 01933 664896 or Rev'd Paula with  
any questions and to let us know if you can come.



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## Dates for the Diary...

|       |      |          |  |
|-------|------|----------|--|
| Sat   | 25th | 1.00pm   | Marriage of Lydia Gill and Rory Poulson at St Andrew's Yardley Hastings                    |
| Thurs | 30th | 10.30am  | Castle Ashby Community coffee morning, The Buttery, Castle Ashby ( <i>corrected date</i> ) |
| Fri   | 31st | 11am-1pm | After school coffee and cake - details TBA   |

## September

|         |         |           |   |
|---------|---------|-----------|---|
| Sat     | 1st     | 2.00pm    | Horticultural Show, Yardley Hastings Memorial Hall. "Anniversaries" church exhibition |
| Sun     | 2nd     | 2-5.30pm  | "Anniversaries" church exhibition with cream teas, St Andrew's Yardley Hastings       |
| Mon-Sat | 3rd-8th | 2-4.30pm  | "Anniversaries" church exhibition with cream teas, St Andrew's Yardley Hastings       |
| Weds    | 5th     | 11.00am   | Little Fishes, St Mary's Grendon  |
| Weds    | 5th     | 7.45pm    | Benefice Choir Practice resumes after summer break                                    |
| Fri     | 7th     | 10am-noon | 'The Place To Meet' - cuppa and chat with fellow villagers, Grendon Village Hall      |
| Fri     | 7th     | 6.30pm    | Youth Group, St Mary's Grendon - Golden Ticket event (reunion for new Year 7)         |
| Sat     | 8th     | 2.00pm    | Grendon Show, Grendon Village Hall  |
| Sat     | 8th     | 7.00pm    | Quiz Night, St Margaret's Denton  |
| Sun     | 9th     | 2.30-4.00 | 'Come and try the organ', St Mary Magdalene Castle Ashby                              |
| Sun     | 9th     | 4.00pm    | Picnic on the Green, St Margaret's Denton   |
| Weds    | 12th    | 7.30pm    | St Mary's Community Choir resumes after summer break                                  |
| Fri     | 14th    | 7.30pm    | Rugby dinner at Yardley Hastings Memorial Hall  |

## The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray  
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:  
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,  
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is  
afraid and giving us those good things which we are  
not worthy to ask but through the merits and  
mediation of 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 of constant mercy,  
who sent your Son to save us:  
remind us of your goodness,  
increase your grace within us,  
that our thankfulness may grow,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## First Reading

*1 Kings 2: 10-12, 3: 3-14*

David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned for seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt-offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, 'Ask what I should give you.' And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?'

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.

I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honour all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

*Ephesians 5: 15 - 20*

Brothers and sisters,  
Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading

*John 6 : 51-58*

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

Jesus said to the crowd:  
I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Post Communion

God of all mercy,  
in this eucharist you have set aside our sins  
and given us your healing:  
grant that we who are made whole in Christ  
may bring that healing to this broken world,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**