

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

*27th October | Last Sunday after Trinity*

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## Worship in our churches.....

### Today...

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

### Next week 3rd November, All Saints' Day...

8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Whiston
9.00am	Holy Communion	Denton
11.00am	All Age Holy Communion	Grendon
4.00pm	All Souls' Service	Yardley Hastings

### Midweek Services

Weds	9.30am	Holy Communion	Grendon
Fri	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Denton



### All Souls Service

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 4pm**  
St Andrew's, Yardley Hastings

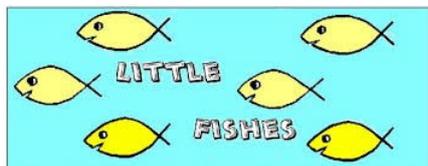
This special service is an opportunity to remember those we love who have died.

During the service we will read out the names of those who have died.

If there is someone you would like included on this list please let Paula know, preferably by email or in writing.

Everyone is welcome,  
please do spread the word.

## Little Fishes comes to St Margaret's, Denton



Please join us with your under 5 for tea and toast after school drop-off, followed by Story, craft, music and fun session

**9.30am-10.30am**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

The health visitor will also be present for baby weighing.

Parents, grandparents & carers all welcome.

£2 per family

## Please hold in your prayers this week...

- ◇ Our government and MP's, that they may have clear minds and always seek the common good
- ◇ The natural world, that God's love for all he has made might be reflected in our care for the planet.
- ◇ Persecuted Christians across the world, especially in North Korea
- ◇ Those in residential care and the housebound, among them: Audrey Desborough, Ruth Williams, Gwen York
- ◇ Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, among them: Ann and Colin Dix, Edith O'Loughlin, Chris Sayles, Tom Stocks, Nicholas Vaughan, Kate Moravesky, Esme Handley, Jonathan Pearson, Freddie Hogan, Diane Claber, Vilma York, Mandy Bates
- ◇ The recently departed, among them Margaret Taylor, Terry Adams, and all who grieve at this time

## Dates for the Diary...

Weds	30th	2.30pm	Pilgrim bible study course: Third session, 1A Little Street, Yardley Hastings
Weds	30th	7.45pm	Benefice Choir practice, St Andrew's Yardley Hastings
Thurs	31st	10.30am	Community Coffee Morning at The Buttery, Castle Ashby

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Fri	1st	9.30am	Coffee morning at Denton Church with Health visitor clinic and Little Fishes.
Fri	1st	10.00am-12	'The Meeting Place' - Coffee morning, Grendon Village Hall
Sat	2nd	9.15am	Pilgrim bible study course: Fourth session, Grendon Church Room
Sat	2nd	10am-12	Coffee morning in aid of St Andrew's, Yardley Arts, Old School Hall, The Square
Sat	2nd	11am-4pm	Michaelmas Fayre, St Mary's Grendon
Sat	2nd	5.00pm	After School Club, St Margaret's Denton - 'Light Party', games and food, £2 each

## The Collect

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

(or)

Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## First Reading

*Joel 2: 23-32*

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing-floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. Then afterwards I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

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

## Second Reading

*2nd letter of Paul to Timothy 4: 6-8; 16-18*

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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## Gospel Reading

*Luke 18: 9-14*

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

Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: 'Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income." But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

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

## Post Communion

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

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A COURSE FOR THE CHRISTIAN JOURNEY

Want to learn more about the Bible?

Come to the Pilgrim discipleship course on  
**Saturdays,**  
**9.15 - 10.45am, Grendon Church Room,**  
*2nd, 9th and 16th November*

The sessions are repeated in **Yardley on**  
**Wednesdays 2.30pm - 3.45pm,**  
*30th Oct and 6th, 13th and 20th November*

If you would like to consider confirmation, the course could be appropriate preparation, please speak to Paula for further information.

Please do come along to as many sessions as you are able! Everyone is welcome!