

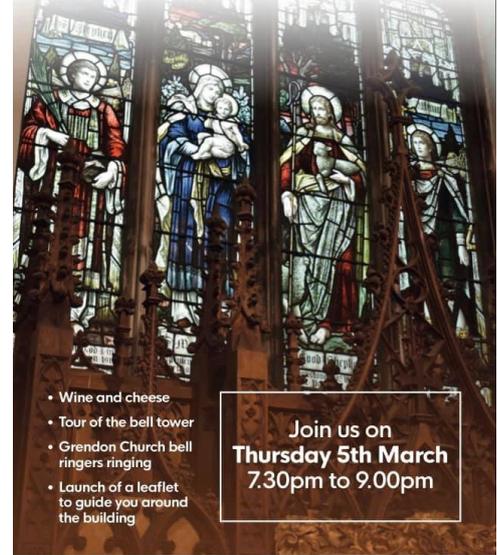
# In & around the Benefice....

23rd February | Sunday next before Lent

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The Grendon Heritage trust would like to invite you to come and explore the history of St Marys Church Grendon and discover more about this historic building



- Wine and cheese
- Tour of the bell tower
- Grendon Church bell ringers ringing
- Launch of a leaflet to guide you around the building

Join us on  
**Thursday 5th March**  
 7.30pm to 9.00pm

## LENT LUNCHES, 12-2pm

Please join us for a simple Lent Lunch on:

Date	Hosted by
5 March	<b>Ann Pearson</b> , Castle Ashby Lodge, Chadstone, NN7 1LH
12 March	<b>Carole Clark</b> , The Old Quart Pot, Denton, NN7 1DR
19 March	<b>URC</b> Yardley Hastings
26 March	<b>Deborah Rush</b> , 26 Main Road, Grendon, NN7 1JW
2 April	<b>Lucy Williamson</b> , 14 Chase Park Rd, Yardley Hastings, NN7 1HD

Donations to the Daylight Centre gratefully received



## 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 1st March, First Sunday of Lent

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

### Midweek Services

Weds	9.30am	Holy Communion with ashing	Grendon
Weds	7.00pm	Holy Communion with ashing	Denton
Fri	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Denton

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

- ◇ The newly elected members of parliament as they take up their duties.
- ◇ Those caught up in the bush fires in Australia, the fire fighters, residents and those who are concerned about relatives affected.
- ◇ Persecuted Christians across the world, especially in North Korea
- ◇ Those in residential care and the housebound, among them: Audrey Desborough, Ruth Williams, Gwen York, Ann and Colin Dix
- ◇ Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, among them: Edith O'Loughlin, Chris Sayles, Tom Stock, Nicholas Vaughan, Freddie Hogan, Diane Claber, Mandy Bates
- ◇ The recently departed, among them Kate Billson, and all who grieve at this time

## Dates for the Diary...

Tues	25th	7.00pm	Shrove Tuesday Supper, Memorial Hall, Yardley Hastings
Weds	26th	10.30am	Castle Ashby Community Coffee morning, The Buttery, Castle Ashby
Weds	26th	7.45pm	Benefice Choir practice, St Andrew's Yardley Hastings
Thurs	27th	6.30-8pm	Youth Group, St Mary's Grendon
Fri	28th	3.30pm	After School Club at St Margaret's, Denton - Pancake Day Activities
Sat	29th	9.15am	Lent Course at the URC, Yardley Hastings - First of six sessions
Sat	29th	2.00pm	Wedding at St Mary the Virgin, Whiston
Sat	29th	7.00pm	Chilli and quiz night, Denton Village Hall. £6 per person, Teams of 4

### March

Tues	3rd	1.00-3.00pm	Carers' group at Yardley Hastings Memorial Hall.
Weds	4th	11.00am-12	Little Fishes, St Mary's Grendon
Thurs	5th	7.30-9pm	Grendon Heritage Trust cheese and wine evening at St Mary's, Grendon
Fri	6th	9.30am	Little Fishes and Health Visitor clinic at St Margaret's, Denton
Fri	6th	10.00am-12	'The Meeting Place' - Coffee morning, Grendon Village Hall

## The Collect

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

or

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## First Reading

*Exodus 24: 12-18*

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

*2 Peter 1: 16-21*

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading

*Matthew 17: 1-9*

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

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Post Communion

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **2020 Lent Course: Matthew's Gospel**

Led by **Canon Margaret Johnson**

Every Saturday morning from

**29th February until 4th April**

at the United Reformed Church in  
Yardley Hastings.

Starting at **9.15am** with breakfast

Please do come along to one or all of  
the sessions, everyone is welcome!

For more details please speak to  
Paula, Amanda or Janet.

### **Bishop's Bible Day**

*'The Bible and Prayer'*

Sat 14th March, 9.30am - 4.00pm

Northampton High School,

Newport Pagnell Rd, Hardingstone,

Northampton, NN4 6UU

Booking is essential, email

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for details and a booking form