

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY



If this is your first newsletter, welcome ... if you have any questions about the church family, the Christian faith, or about our children's work, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Our administrator Vicky is available on 07804 558160. This notice sheet covers the next week and combines:

- Notices
- The church diary (including livestream & Zoom joining instructions)
- Prayers and readings for the services on Sunday 6th October 2024

*Please do bring along something for the foodbank for the services today
(and would anyone be willing to deliver to the foodbank)*

Harvest Festivals

As we come to Celebrate God's provision of food through this year's harvest, please note the following ways in which we can come together to give thanks:

6 th Oct	9.00am	Harvest Communion at Alpheton
6 th Oct	10.30am	Harvest Festival at Long Melford
13 th Oct	4.00pm	Harvest Festival at Lawshall

St George's Church, Shimpling



Mark Beaver from Shimpling will from 5th - 12th October be cycling the length of the N2 route in Portugal which is the longest continuous road in the country and one of the longest in the world. He will be cycling for six consecutive days with long days in the saddle. Mark said: 'I have had this challenge on my "bucket list" for a few years now so I cannot wait to start riding!' Mark is supporting Shimpling Church. Over the past year we have worked hard to raise £51,500 from charity grants, from community fundraising events and from individual donations. We just need an additional £2,500 to reach our target of £54,000. It would be

absolutely wonderful if you could help us with this final push to restore the beautiful stained-glass window in the East Chancel of the church and to repair the surrounding stonework inside and out. Can you help by donating to Mark's JustGiving page [here?](#)



Abseiling at Holy Trinity

This weekend 1st Long Melford Scouts are holding another abseiling event at Holy Trinity. This time they welcomed Scout and Explorer groups from all over Suffolk and Essex to give them a truly unique experience and an opportunity to raise funds for their own projects or causes. We are so grateful to the Scouts for supporting our own fundraiser earlier in the year. Once the event is over the scaffolding will come down ... but if you feel you missed out there may be another similar event some time in the future!

Sunday School

We are delighted that there is a team of parents who are very keen to lead a Sunday school at the 10.30am service. In light of the fact that there are a couple of 'new additions' due to be born in Winter, the plan is now to start in May. If you would like to get involved or find out more please contact Olivia on oventer@tecsltd.co.uk.

Power at Holy Trinity

There is a chance that there will be no power at Holy Trinity for 3 days from Monday 7th October – this is due to essential maintenance. Apologies for any inconvenience that this may cause. (Update - it is likely that only one or two circuits will be affected so the church should be pretty much as 'normal').

Service Rotas

Are now on our website until the end of December 2024, I would be grateful if you could please let me know if you are down for anything which you cannot do & I will amend the rota. Many Thanks, Vicky

Names for All Souls (name confirmation required)

If you gave Matthew names to be read out at the All Souls Choral Evensong at the back of church last Sunday please could you contact me on 07804 558160 to confirm the names. Many Thanks Vicky 07804 5581650 chadbrookoffice@gmail.com.

The service will be taking place on Sunday 3rd November at 6.30pm. Similarly please let Vicky know if you would like any names read out as we remember our loved ones now safe in God's hands.

Easyfundraising for Holy Trinity Organ Fund

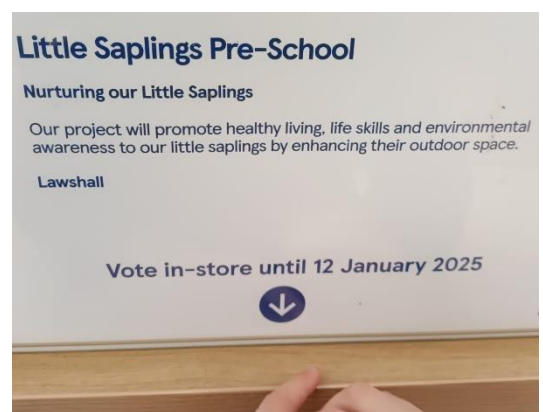
There's a free and easy way to support Holy Trinity Church Long Melford Organ Fund from home, and it starts with easyfundraising! Turn your online shopping at over 8,000 retailers into free donations. All your favourite retailers are available to shop with, so why not sign up? Plus, every new supporter is a chance for us to win one of ten £300 donations! Not only that, but when you go on to raise £5, easyfundraising will double it. Join [here](#)

Final amount to Macmillan

Due to some more lovely donations towards our Macmillan Coffee morning, I am very pleased to say that we have been able to send £950. Thank you to everybody for their kind support. Jan & Ron

Going to Tesco??

Please support the new 'Little Saplings' pre-school at Lawshall with which Pam and Matthew have connections.

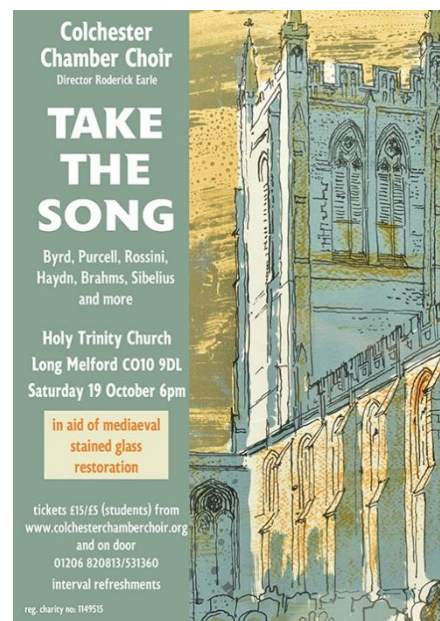


Take the Song'

Holy Trinity will be the venue for a performance entitled 'Take the Song' on Saturday, 19th October commencing at 6pm by Colchester Chamber Choir. Under the direction of Roderick Earle, who currently teaches choral scholars at Trinity College, Cambridge, the evening will include works by Byrd, Purcell, Rossini, Brahms, Sibelius and Haydn.

Tickets: £15 (£5 for students) are available online from colchesterchamberchoir.org and can also be purchased on the door. Wine, beer and soft drinks will be available.

All proceeds will go towards Holy Trinity's mediaeval stained-glass restoration



Suggestions for Prayer

- We pray for a lasting peace in the Holy Land, for a resolution to the war in Ukraine, and a ceasing of hostilities in other places of violence and hatred including the unrest in towns and cities in our own country.
- We give thanks for our farmers who have worked hard to bring in this year's harvest.
- We remember before God those who have recently died and those who mourn.
- We pray for those in need of God's presence or his healing touch including Barbara Brady, David Bremer, Robert Hawkins, Ian MacDonald, baby Munroe, Audrey Wreford & Gordon Wright.

ALL SOULS SERVICE

Holy Trinity Church, 6.30pm, 3rd November 2023



The "All Souls Service" will this year take place at Holy Trinity Church on Sunday 3rd November at 6.30pm.

If you would like a loved ones name/s to be read out email Vicky on chadbrookoffice@gmail.com or call 07804 558160, alternatively, please complete the slip below and return Vicky Moakes, c/o The Rectory, The Green, Long Melford, CO10 9DT by close of play Tuesday 29th October.

If you wish to have a name read out, please complete the slip below and return to Vicky Moakes, The Rectory, The Green, Long Melford, Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 9DT.

Name.....

Tel. / email

In memory of.....

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4 o'clock Community dates Autumn Term 2024

Sept	1st	10.30 am Family service @ Holy Trinity
	8th	4pm Café Church @ All Saints, Lawshall
	15th	4pm Wild Church @ Long Melford Country Park
	22nd	4pm Pub social @ Swan Inn, Lawshall
	29th	4pm Shine @ Holy Trinity, Long Melford
Oct	6th	10.30 am Harvest Family service @ Holy Trinity
	9th	4pm Harvest @ All Saints, Lawshall
	20th	4pm Messy Church @ Melford Primary School
	27th	4pm Apple Day @ Lavenham Lodge Farm
Nov	2nd (Sat)	6pm Fireworks social @ Swan Inn, Lawshall (in aid of Little Saplings Nursery)
	3rd	10.30 am Family service @ Holy Trinity
	10th	Remembrance services (see websites)
	17th	4pm Shine @ Holy Trinity, Long Melford
	24th	4pm Hands together craft social venue TBC
	30th (Sat)	Messy Christmas @ Melford Christmas Fayre

Contact :-

Nicky 07938 681319 chadbrooklightwave@gmail.com

Or see our websites for more info :-

longmelfordchurch.com or achurchnearyou.com

Diary

6th Oct	9.00am	Harvest Communion at Alpheton
	10.30am	Family Harvest Festival at Holy Trinity *
	12.30am	Baptism at Holy Trinity
	6.30pm	Choral Evensong at Holy Trinity *
Mon 7 th	9.30am	Connect baby & toddler group
Tues 8 th	9.00am	Morning Prayer via zoom #
	7.30pm	LM PCC
Wed 9 th	10.00am	Coffee Caravan at Alpheton
Thurs 10 th	10.00am	Dedication of Memorial Stone - Lawshall
	7.00pm	Choir Practice at Holy Trinity
Fri 11 th	2.00pm	Funeral at Holy Trinity, Lady Chapel – Elizabeth Lewin
	6.00pm	Alfie’s Bar – Alpheton Village Hall
Sun 13 th	10.30am	Communion at Holy Trinity *
	4.00pm	Harvest Festival at Lawshall

*** Livestream Joining Instructions**

- Google the five words “Holy Trinity Long Melford Facebook” or [click here](#) to open the church’s Facebook page (scroll down a bit to see the feed).
- Please note that you do not need a Facebook account yourself in order to watch the livestream.

Morning Prayer Zoom Meeting ID: 810 2345 2032, Password: 283350, or click [here](#).

Dates for your diary

19 th Oct	6.00pm	Take the Song Concert at Holy Trinity (see flyer)
3 rd Nov	6.30pm	All Souls Evensong
10 th Nov	9.00am	Remembrance Service at Alpheton
10 th Nov	10.45am	Remembrance Service at Lawshall
10 th Nov	10.50am	Remembrance Service at Holy Trinity (please note slightly later start of service)
17 th Nov	10.30am	Elders Commissioning with Archdeacon David Jenkins at Holy Trinity

Collect (*prayer for the day*)

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

9.00am Reading**1 Timothy 6:6-10**

But godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷ For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. ⁸ But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. ⁹ Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

9.00am Gospel Reading**Matthew 6:25-33**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷ Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?’

²⁸ ‘And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? ³¹ So do not worry, saying, “What shall we eat?” or “What shall we drink?” or “What shall we wear?” ³² For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³ But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You O Christ

10.30am Reading**Ruth 2:1-12**

Now Naomi had a relative on her husband’s side, a man of standing from the clan of Elimelek, whose name was Boaz.

² And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, ‘Let me go to the fields and pick up the leftover grain behind anyone in whose eyes I find favour.’

Naomi said to her, ‘Go ahead, my daughter.’ ³ So she went out, entered a field and began to glean behind the harvesters. As it turned out, she was working in a field belonging to Boaz, who was from the clan of Elimelek.

⁴ Just then Boaz arrived from Bethlehem and greeted the harvesters, ‘The Lord be with you!’

‘The Lord bless you!’ they answered.

⁵ Boaz asked the overseer of his harvesters, ‘Who does that young woman belong to?’

⁶ The overseer replied, ‘She is the Moabite who came back from Moab with Naomi. ⁷ She said, “Please let me glean and gather among the sheaves behind the harvesters.” She came into the field and has remained here from morning till now, except for a short rest in the shelter.’

⁸ So Boaz said to Ruth, ‘My daughter, listen to me. Don’t go and glean in another field and don’t go away from here. Stay here with the women who work for me. ⁹ Watch the field where the men are harvesting, and

follow along after the women. I have told the men not to lay a hand on you. And whenever you are thirsty, go and get a drink from the water jars the men have filled.'

¹⁰ At this, she bowed down with her face to the ground. She asked him, 'Why have I found such favour in your eyes that you notice me – a foreigner?'

¹¹ Boaz replied, 'I've been told all about what you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband – how you left your father and mother and your homeland and came to live with a people you did not know before. ¹² May the Lord repay you for what you have done. May you be richly rewarded by the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge.'

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Thanks be to God

Evensong Lesson

Hebrews 1.1-4:2.5-12

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. ³ The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. ⁴ So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs. It is not to angels that he has subjected the world to come, about which we are speaking. ⁶ But there is a place where someone has testified:

'What is mankind that you are mindful of them, a son of man that you care for him?

⁷ You made them a little lower than the angels; you crowned them with glory and honour

⁸ and put everything under their feet.'

In putting everything under them, God left nothing that is not subject to them. Yet at present we do not see everything subject to them. ⁹ But we do see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honour because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰ In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered. ¹¹ Both the one who makes people holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters. ¹² He says,

'I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters;

in the assembly I will sing your praises.'

to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. ¹⁵ I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.'

¹⁶ When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, 'Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it.' ¹⁷ He was afraid and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven.'

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Evensong Lesson

Mark 10:2-16

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Some Pharisees came and tested him by asking, 'Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?'

³ 'What did Moses command you?' he replied.

⁴They said, 'Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away.'

⁵'It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law,' Jesus replied. ⁶'But at the beginning of creation God "made them male and female". ⁷"For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, ⁸and the two will become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.'

¹⁰When they were in the house again, the disciples asked Jesus about this. ¹¹He answered, 'Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery against her. ¹²And if she divorces her husband and marries another man, she commits adultery.'

¹³People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' ¹⁶And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

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(Bible readings courtesy of Bible Gateway New International Version - UK (NIVUK))

Post Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen