

# 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 call Matthew the Rector on 01787 310 845.

This notice sheet covers the next week and combines:

- Notices
- The church diary (including livestream & Zoom joining instructions), Prayers and readings for the morning services on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

## An insight into Risk Taking

We have special guests at our informal 4.00pm Lawshall Café Church today (10<sup>th</sup> July). Tom and Gemma Fifield, who spoke at 10.30am last week, will be sharing about how they went from being teachers in Bury to missionaries in Ethiopia. We may not all be sent to Ethiopia but we are all called on to take risks at times. Do come along and invite someone too – this service would be suitable for someone new to church.

## Be there - Songs of Praise!

It is confirmed – it's on. **Holy Trinity Church, Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm.**

This should be great fun. They bring a conductor, additional musicians, and make quite an event of it; we will sing up to 9 hymns together with a harvest and agricultural theme. Alongside this they will do some local filming. This is a great chance to showcase our church and our community – please make an effort to attend and bring as many people along as you can – we want to have a packed church, let's encourage each other as we sing words of faith heartily together, and see what fresh opportunities God brings. People will need to register to book free tickets – tickets are going quite quickly so please contact [SOPcongregations@avantimedia.tv](mailto:SOPcongregations@avantimedia.tv) or call 07734 030 888.



## Forest Church at Foxearth Meadows



'Wild' church finds out how dragonflies taught us to fly, and what else we can learn from these amazing insects. With fun activities (including bamboo dragonflies) and refreshments. 4.00pm next Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July, at Foxearth Meadows nature reserve - CO10 7GA.



## Storehouse Foodbank

A note from Vicky Leonard from Storehouse ...

*Firstly, I want to thank you, your church community & God for your faithfulness towards the work of Storehouse. Food donations are up 18% over the last 3 months, which is amazing when we are all feeling the financial pressure. Your financial donations are also awesome as we are currently needing to spend approx. £500 per month to meet the need of our community.*

*We are aware that the long summer holidays put an additional strain on families & this year with the household energy price rise that will be an extra burden. So we are launching our annual beat Summer Hunger campaign on Sun 26th June. This will run throughout the summer. We will also be requiring additional items to support households in general.*

If someone needs a referral to the Storehouse please contact the nominated person in the Chadbrook Benefice which is Cheryl Morgan (07943 811030). Currently food donations can be made at local supermarkets.



## The 'Throne'

Thanks to the Alpheton and Shimpling PCC we now have an innovative solution to providing 'facilities' at Alpheton at large events. OK so it is not The Ritz but it is a lot better than nothing. This was available to the congregation at Alpheton for the first time last weekend at a delightful Christening service, as was the new portable card reader.



## This Week

Sun 10 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Holy Communion at Holy Trinity (livestreamed)*
	4.00pm	Lawshall Café Church
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Connect baby & toddler group – St Catherine’s
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Morning Prayer via zoom #
	1.00pm	Suffolk Arts Society Summer Celebration at Holy Trinity
	7.30pm	Handbells at St Catherine’s
	7.30pm	A&S PCC
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup>	1.10pm	Melford Music – Gill Gerrard (Oboe), Rhianwen Gold (Violin) & Mary Blanchard (Piano)
	7.00pm	Bell Practice at Holy Trinity
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup>	12.00pm	Funeral at Holy Trinity – Susan Younger
	7.00pm	Choir Practice at Holy Trinity
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Church Tour at Holy Trinity
	5.00pm	Wedding Rehearsal at Holy Trinity – Alexander & Sophie
	7.30pm	Fusion Youth Group – Glebe land Holy Trinity
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup>	3.00pm	Wedding at Holy Trinity – Alexander & Sophie
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Holy Communion at Shimpling
	10.30am	Holy Communion at Holy Trinity (livestreamed)*
	10.30am	Holy Communion at The Willows, Lawshall
	12.30pm	Baptism at Holy Trinity – Elsie Holl
	4.00pm	Forest Church at Foxearth Meadows

### \* Livestream Joining Instructions

- Google the five words “Holy Trinity Long Melford Facebook”.
- Click on the top link ([or simply click here](#)) to open the church’s Facebook page and scroll down a bit.
- 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 this link](#)

## Dates for your Diary

Tue	19 <sup>th</sup> July	6.30pm	Songs of Praise Holy Trinity
Sun	7 <sup>th</sup> Aug	12.00pm	Benefice Picnic on the Glebe Land - Holy Trinity
Sat	10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	2.00pm	Lawshall Flower Show
Sat	24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.30am	Macmillan Coffee Morning
Sat	24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	TBC	Alpheton & Shimpling Fete – Chadacre
Sat	1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Evening	Harvest Supper (Alpheton & Shimpling)
Sat	8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	6.00pm	Patrick Kohler Memorial Concert at Holy Trinity
Sat	26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	All day	Melford Christmas Fayre

## Collect (prayer for the day)

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## Reading

**Zechariah 12:10-13:1**

And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son. <sup>11</sup> On that day the weeping in Jerusalem will be as great as the weeping of Hadad Rimmon in the plain of Megiddo. <sup>12</sup> The land will mourn, each clan by itself, with their wives by themselves: the clan of the house of David and their wives, the clan of the house of Nathan and their wives, <sup>13</sup> the clan of the house of Levi and their wives, the clan of Shimei and their wives, <sup>14</sup> and all the rest of the clans and their wives.

**13** 'On that day a fountain will be opened to the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and impurity.'

## Gospel Reading

**John 19:25-27**

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John*

**Glory to you, O Lord**

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. <sup>26</sup> When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing near by, he said to her, 'Woman, here is your son,' <sup>27</sup> and to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord*

**Praise to You O Christ**

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

## Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## Suggestions for Prayer

- For a peaceful resolution to the crisis in Ukraine, remembering before God the thousands who have been killed or injured and their families, refugees, and all caught up in these awful events.
- We remember before God those who have recently died and those who mourn including the families and friends of Christopher Alban, Frances Cadge, Charles Handley-Howard, and Susan Younger.
- We in particular remember in our prayers parents who have lost children.
- For the many people who are feeling overwhelmed or lonely at the moment, that they would know the kindness of God.