

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY

They shall grow not old,
As we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them,
Nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun,
And in the morning
We will remember them.



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 service on Sunday 13th November

Shimpling - Reminder for the 20th Nov

Next Sundays service at Shimpling will be at 12.00pm not the usual 9.00am – it will be a Communion service with Baptism.

HOPE!! – 'Shine' Informal Worship at 4 o'clock on the 20th Nov

As we start to prepare for Advent, this service will focus on Isaiah 61 with its promises of hope instead of despair in times of trouble. Includes an invitation for prayer ministry.

Shimpling Christmas market

Will be on Saturday 10th December from 11am – 1pm at Shimpling Village Hall, please come along and join us for stalls selling amongst others, Christmas gifts and cards, mince pies and handmade crafts. There will also be refreshments served on the day.

This years Panto is Jack & the Beanstalk....

Alpheton & Shimpling Players will perform Jack and the Beanstalk at Alpheton Village Hall on Friday 25th Nov 7.30pm and Saturday 26th November 3pm and 7.30pm, adults £10, children 15yrs & under £5, Tickets are available from Julie Moss 01284 828507 juliemoss1@btinternet.com and Sue Fahie-Wilson 01284 827243 s.fahiewilson@gmail.com



Modern Slavery

At the 10.30am service last week we reflected on Joseph being taken as a slave right at the start of Genesis. Sadly modern day slavery is very much a reality. Here are a few links if you would like to find out more:

[The Clewer Institute](#)

[Church of England – Statement](#)

[Churches Together in England - Resources](#)

Coffee after the 10.30am service at Holy Trinity

Do you have a few spare minutes both before and after the main 10.30am service at Holy Trinity on a Sunday, we are urgently looking for volunteers to serve refreshments. If you are interested and available approx. once every 4-6 weeks please contact Denise Hastings on carpediem2@hotmail.co.uk

Invitational Christmas Choir

As in previous years, the choir would like to extend a warm invitation to those in the congregation (and or friends of the church), who enjoy singing and would like to join the choir for either the Christmas carol service, and/or the Advent carol service. Attendance at rehearsals will help a lot, where there will be others to sing and learn alongside and help! It's fun, and you might discover a talent that you should have tapped into long before, and it gives you the chance to experience the special feeling of singing in a choir at Advent and Christmas - should you wish to do both, those who would like to join the choir for the Christmas carol service (only), are invited to come along to the main rehearsals on 8th, 15th and then the afternoon of the 18th December.

However, you are more than welcome to start coming earlier to rehearsals, from the 24th Nov, when the music for the Christmas service will be available, and some rehearsal - especially of the choir only carols will start. Those who would like to join in the Advent carol service should start to attend from the 17th November, when work will start on that service at rehearsals, and music will be available, Any questions - please see Nigel who will be happy to help you assess whether you might be a Soprano, Alto Tenor or Bass!. Please don't be anxious - come along and give it a try. To join or if you have any questions please contact Nigel on 01787 280 035.

“A Spotless Rose” Concert on 9th Dec at 7.30pm

The Choir of Clare College, Cambridge and conductor Graham Ross, together with organists Samuel Jones and Daniel Blaze, perform a beautiful seasonal programme, including motets by Mendelssohn and Howells, some exquisite arrangements of traditional carols, and a selection of festive favourites that herald the season of Advent and the joy of the Christmas story.

Tickets at £12 each are available online at <https://www.adcticketing.com> or by telephone to [adcticketing on 01223 300085](tel:01223300085). Tickets may also be purchased shortly from the church shop. Some tickets may be available on the door on the evening, though it is expected that advanced demand will be high. Tea/coffee and mulled wine will be available for a donation during the interval, as will programmes on the evening. Please note that the tickets are for entry only - seating is unreserved. This promises to be a superb concert, and one worth sharing with friends - perhaps as an early Christmas present!

The December Rota

Is now back online after a few changes, I would be extremely grateful if you could have a look and let Vicky know of any changes which may need making. Also, please do let Vicky know if you are available for sides or intercessions at any of the Christmas Services.

Easyfundraising

If you are not already using Easyfundraising for another cause please be encouraged to do your Christmas shopping online (including Amazon). Over 7,000 brands will donate to Holy Trinity Church Long Melford Organ Fund at no extra cost to you - so you can raise donations when you buy gifts, decorations, your festive food shopping or anything else! Please sign up and help us raise more at: [this link](#).

Alpheton Christmas Coffee Morning

Alpheton will be holding a Christmas Coffee morning at the Village Hall on Saturday 3rd December between 10.30am – 1pm. Please come along and join us for seasonal stalls, tombola, raffle, refreshments and much, much more. If you would like a stall or can help out on the day please contact Julie Moss on 01284 828507

Lights of Remembrance

There will be 2 lights of remembrance services in December this year, one in Alpheton on Sunday 4th December and one in Long Melford on Saturday 10th December, please let Vicky know if you would like a name/s read **clearly indicating** which service you would like them read at. Please contact Vicky on chadbrookoffice@gmail.com or 07804 558160

Alternatively, please complete the form below

LIGHTS OF REMEMBRANCE 2022



The “Lights of Remembrance” Christmas services are a time to remember those loved ones not with us at Christmas time.

If you would like to dedicate a light in memory of a loved one please complete the slip below.

We will hold our short service of remembrance, when we shall light up the tree to remember those who have died, on **Sunday 4th December at 4.00pm at Alpheton** or **Saturday 10th December at 6:00pm at Holy Trinity in Long Melford**.

If you wish to dedicate a light, please call Vicky, Parish Administrator, on 07804 558160 or email chadbrookoffice@gmail.com

Alternatively, please hand this form to one of our church wardens.

I wish to dedicate.....lights at **Alpheton/Long Melford** (*please mark clearly which service*)

Name.....

Address.....Tel.No.....

In memory of (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Diary

Sun 13 th	9.00am	Remembrance Service at Alpheton
	10.30am	Remembrance Service at Lawshall
	10.50am	Remembrance Service at Holy Trinity with live Stream *
Mon 14 th	9.00am	Connect baby & Toddler Group – St Catherine’s
	7.30pm	LMPCC
Tues 15 th	9.00am	Morning Prayer via Zoom #
	7.30pm	Handbells at St Catherine’s
Wed 16 th	10.00am	Holy Communion at Steeds Meadow
	2.00pm	Holy Communion at Melford Court
	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice at Holy Trinity
Thurs 17 th	7.00pm	Choir Practice at Holy Trinity
Fri 18 th	7.30pm	Fusion youth group at St Catherine’s
Sat 19 th	8.00am	Prayer Breakfast at Holy Trinity
Sun 20 st	10.30am	Holy Communion at Holy Trinity with live Stream *
	12.00pm	Holy Communion and baptism at Shimpling
	4.00pm	Shine Informal Worship at Holy Trinity

Dates for Your Diary

Sat 26 th Nov	All Day	Messy Christmas at Melford Christmas Fayre (at the old ‘Gigi’s Trattoria)
Sun 11 th Dec	4.00pm	Messy Christmas at Lawshall Church

* 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.

** Zoom Coffee after the Service

Zoom Meeting ID: 833 5925 6347, Passcode: 682003, or [click this link](#)

Morning Prayer

Zoom Meeting ID: 810 2345 2032, Password: 283350, or [click this link](#)

Collect (prayer for the day)

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ² and he began to teach them.

He said:

³ Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.

⁵ Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.

⁶ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.

⁷ Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.

⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they will see God.

⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Suggestions for Prayer

- For the nation as we remember those lost as a result of all wars.

- We remember before God those who have recently died and those who mourn
- We pray for a peaceful end to the war in Ukraine.
- We pray for political and economic stability in these unsettled times.
- We pray for these who are ill including Elsie Wright.
- We remember before God those who have recently died and those who mourn. We especially remember the family and friends of Martin Richards, Brian Stringer & Ian Spear.

Christmas Services

We have been working on the Christmas rota and are pleased that we can announce the following dates:

26 th Nov	all day	Messy Christmas at Melford Christmas Fair with Carols on the Little Green
4 th Dec	4.00pm	Alpheton Lights of Remembrance at Alpheton Church
4 th Dec	6.30pm	Advent Carol Service at Holy Trinity
10 th Dec	6.00pm	Holy Trinity Lights of Remembrance
11 th Dec	4.00pm	Lawshall Christmas Messy Church
18 th Dec	4.00pm	Alpheton Carol Service
18 th Dec	6.30pm	Carol Service at Holy Trinity
23 rd Dec	6.30pm	Lawshall Carol Service
24 th Dec	3.00pm	Crib Service at Holy Trinity Long Melford
24 th Dec	6.00pm	Shimpling Carol Service
24 th Dec	10.30pm	Midnight Mass at Holy Trinity
25 th Dec	10.30am	Benefice Christmas Communion at Holy Trinity