

**Calendar for 15th to 22nd  
November**

**Sunday 15th November**

**2nd Sunday before Advent**

- 8.00am** Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – **live on-line**
- 10.00am** Parish Communion – **live online**  
Readings: Psalm 90:1-8; Matthew 25.14-30
- 12.00 noon** Audio only relay of the 10am service by telephone (see details below)
- 4.00pm** MAP meeting on Zoom. Please contact Chloe Lewis for details.
- 6.00pm** Compline – **live on-line**  
Evensong Readings to follow at home: Psalm 89.19-37; 1 Kings 1.15-40; and Revelation 1.4-18

**Tuesday 17th November**

- 9.30am** Thought for the Day – **live on-line**

**Wednesday 18th November**

- 10.30am** Coffee 'n' Share via Zoom. Please contact Catherine James for details (timandcatherinejames@gmail.com).
- 8.00pm** ROOTS meeting on-line. Please contact Katie Shuster for details.

**Thursday 19th November**

- 6pm** Compline – **on-line video**

**Sunday 22nd November**

- 8.00am** Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – **live on-line**
- 10.00am** Parish Communion – **live on-line**
- 6.00pm** Compline – **live on-line**

**All week:** Autumn Festival of Interests – Art Week (see details below)

**STAFF AVAILABILITY:**

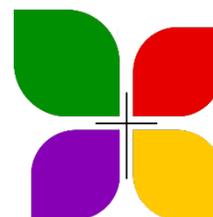
*Please ring Rosie, Tricia or Elizabeth to fix a time for a chat in the week*

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**St Peter and St Paul  
Great Missenden  
St Mary's Ballinger  
Little Hampden**

**Helping one another to Know, to  
Serve and to Share God's love**

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This week please pray for:

- compassion and love within the church as the Living in Love and Faith resources about sexuality and relationships are published;
- those made homeless by rapid closure of displacement camps in Iraq;
- everyone finding lockdown difficult.

'Lord you have been our dwelling place in all generations.  
Before the mountains were brought forth or ever you had  
formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting  
you are God.'

Psalm 90.1-2

### Collect

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Post Communion

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

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**Worship during Covid:** whilst the national lockdown continues, services will be livestreamed at [www.facebook.com/greatmissendenchurch](http://www.facebook.com/greatmissendenchurch) at 8am, 10am and 6pm every Sunday (videos of these services will be uploaded to Facebook afterwards). There will be no services in church, although both St Peter and St Paul and St Mary's Ballinger remain open for private prayer.

If you come to church for private prayer, please observe the following to help protect one another:

- only come to church if you are free of any symptoms and not expected to self-isolate;
- face coverings must be worn unless exempt. Please keep these on whenever you are in the church grounds;
- sanitise your hands when arriving and leaving;
- if you have a smart phone, use the QR code to sign in;
- people from one household only may enter the church building at any one time. If there is someone already in church when you arrive, please wait a safe distance from the door until that person leaves.

**10am and 6pm Services by Telephone:** we will be relaying a recording of today's 10am service on the phone at 12 noon. We will also be relaying the 6pm service live on the phone.

To hear the services, phone 020 3481 5237. You will hear a message welcoming you to Zoom and asking you for the Meeting ID so key in 830 6434 9334 followed by #. You will next be asked for a participant ID – just press # then the password 396381 followed by #. You can chat to any other callers before and after the service but we will mute your phone during the service itself.

**Our Christingle Service:** Sunday 29th November at 4pm on Zoom. If you would like to join the service, please contact Harriet in the Parish Office to be sent the link and for the Christingle ingredients.

**Christmas Services:** a list of these can be found on the church website. We hope to be able to hold these services with a congregation in church so please book a place with the Parish Office if you would like to attend.

**Sources of Help:** sometimes you or someone you know reaches a point where they could do with outside help – here are two suggestions:

**Shout** is the UK's first 24/7 text service, free on all major mobile networks, for anyone in crisis anytime, anywhere. It's a place to go if you're struggling to cope and you need immediate help.

**Samaritans** provides confidential, non-judgemental emotional support for people experiencing feelings of distress or despair, including those that could lead to suicide. You can phone, email, write a letter or in most cases talk to someone face to face. Telephone 116 123 (24 hours a day, free to call).

**Leaf-Clearing:** the autumn leaves are falling fast around St Peter and St Paul, gathering in the drainage channels, covering the grass and making the paths slippery. If you have some spare time and would like some gentle exercise, please consider spending half an hour or so clearing leaves from around the church and in Church Lane over the next week or two. Unfortunately, we can't have our annual working party, but any individual help would be hugely appreciated.

**On-line Advent Calendar:** every day of Advent, a child from our community will interview an adult about their childhood memories of Advent and Christmas (we will help with any technology queries if you would like to participate in this). We would love to include a range of experiences across the decades and across the world – to sign up as either a child or an adult please contact Elizabeth: [curate.elizabeth@gmail.com](mailto:curate.elizabeth@gmail.com) or 07955 275 338.

**In Advent:** you are invited to peg a greetings card to all friends on the line outside the kitchen. Please donate to church funds with a tap! xx

**Autumn Festival of Interests – Art Week.** We've arranged for some local artists to provide images of their work which we are displaying on the church website – we can't hold a real exhibition at the moment! We're also asking you to submit a picture of a work of art, by any artist, which has meant something to you, together with a short description of the work and why it's important to you. We'll add these to the exhibition during the week (15th to 22nd November). More information about this and future events, and links to earlier talks, can be found at [www.missendenchurch.org.uk/festival](http://www.missendenchurch.org.uk/festival)

**St Andrew's Bookshop:** is now closed as per guidance. However, you can shop on-line ([standrewsbookshop.co.uk](http://standrewsbookshop.co.uk)) or you can call them (01494 862 168) and they will deliver locally or you can collect.

**MAP today:** the children will be making a Christmas Tree decoration and a clay candle holder. Please contact Chloe Lewis ([lewis100@live.co.uk](mailto:lewis100@live.co.uk)) for the Zoom link.