

**Calendar for 12th to 19th  
September 2021**

**Sunday 12th September– Trinity 15**

8am and 10am services led by The Rev. Ashley Mitchell from RAF Halton

Readings: Proverbs 1.20-33; James 3.1-12; Mark 8.27-end.

8.00am Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – **St Peter and St Paul**

10.00am Parish Communion – **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**

11.30am Holy Communion – **Little Hampden**

6.00pm Evensong (with three hymns) – **St Peter and St Paul**

**Monday 13th September**

2.00pm Church Open Meeting – **St Peter and St Paul**

**Wednesday 15th September**

10.30am Coffee 'n' Share in church at St Peter and St Paul. Please contact Catherine James for details (timandcatherinejames@gmail.com).

8.00pm Roots Youth Group. Please contact Katie Shuster for more information.

**Saturday 18th September**

12.30pm Harvest Picnic outside at **St Peter and St Paul**. See further below.

**Sunday 19th September – Trinity 16 – Harvest Festival**

8am and 10am services led by The Rev. Nadine Rose

8.00am Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – **St Peter and St Paul**

10.00am Harvest Parish Communion with Holy Baptism – **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**

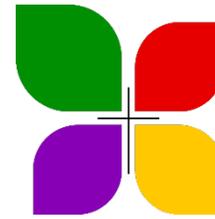
6.00pm Evensong – **St Mary's Ballinger**

**STAFF AVAILABILITY:**

*Please ring Tricia to fix a time for a chat in the week*

*Licensed Lay Minister: Patricia Neale 863 348 tricianeale8@gmail.com*

*Parish Office: Harriet Lemon 862 352 office@missendenchurch.org.uk*



**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**

**12th September**

**Trinity 15**

This week please pray for:

- our Parish Consultation – responses, meetings, plans;
- our NHS and Care System – staff, all being cared for – forward plans;
- those seeking refuge and safety, all living in fear and poverty.

'The Heavens declare the glory of God,  
And the firmament proclaims his handiwork.'

Psalm 19.1

We welcome The Rev. Ashley Mitchell to lead our 8am and 10am services today.

**Website: [www.missendenchurch.org.uk](http://www.missendenchurch.org.uk)**

### Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Post Communion

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jess Christ our Lord.

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**Covid arrangements from 19th July.** The Government and Church of England guidance has been issued. What we have agreed to do in our Churches is as follows:

- only come to church if you are free of any symptoms and not expected to self-isolate;
- we strongly recommend everyone continues to wear face coverings. These are mainly to keep others safe rather than the wearer so please think of other worshippers and keep your mask on;
- members of the congregation can sing, however with masks still on;
- hand sanitising at the doors will continue;
- we'll still keep alternate pews closed and recommend that you still socially distance in the service;
- communion will either be brought to you or we may ask you to come up to the altar following a one-way route;
- coffee and chatting will be outside, provided the weather is fine;
- we won't be recording the names of people attending services;
- collection plate and contactless reader will remain near the door – contactless is safest;
- our 10am service will continue to be livestreamed each week at [www.facebook.com/greatmissendenchurch](http://www.facebook.com/greatmissendenchurch). Livestreamed services can be seen on Facebook afterwards.

**Cream Teas.** Cream Teas take place today from 3-5pm. Please do join us and enjoy music from the Mulsanne Wind Quintet.

**Parish Plan.** Open meetings for discussing ideas for the job description of our new priest have been scheduled in Church for Monday, 13th September, at 2pm and Tuesday, 28th September, at 7.30pm. Please consider the questions below, attend one of the meetings to participate in the sharing of ideas and thoughts, and then send your responses into the office. This is your first opportunity to have your say!

1. In your experience, what does our Church do really well?
2. Where do you see the Church making a difference in the wider community?
3. What sort of Church do you think God wants us to be in three years' time?
4. What are the qualities most needed in our new vicar to equip us to be the Church God wants us to be in the future.

**Harvest Festival** will be celebrated next Sunday, 19th September, at the 10am service. We will be making a collection of tins and dry goods for the Chiltern Foodbank.

We will also be holding a **Harvest Picnic** on Saturday, 18th September at 12.30pm, outside church. Bring your own picnic. Tea and coffee will be provided.

**Interested in bell ringing?** As part of the Chilterns Heritage Festival 2021, we are having a listen to and learn about the ancient art of bell ringing evening at St Peter and St Paul on Monday 27th September, 7pm – 8.30pm, for anyone who may be interested in taking it up.

**SOS Can you help as a reader?** Evening services have now resumed but there is a great shortage of readers, particularly on the 4th Sunday each month, when there is Choral Evensong and I am asked not to list members of the choir to read. If you are prepared to read at evening services, particularly on the 4th Sunday, please get in touch with me – [jennifermoss@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:jennifermoss@tiscali.co.uk)

**Do you like coffee and a chat?** Could you spare just over an hour early morning to do just this on Wednesday or Friday? We're really short of people! If so, please contact Martin Webster on 01494 862 000. There may be a bit of washing up too.

Don't forget that **Great Missenden CofE Church Charity** are inviting invitations for grants and awards up to and including 30th September for 18-25 year olds to cover fees, travel costs, apprenticeship support etc. For more details go to the church website or speak to Chris Nickless, Keith Ray or Elizabeth Webster.

**Free Covid Test Kits** are available in Church. Please ask a sidesperson if you would like a box.

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