

**Calendar for 26th September to
3rd October 2021**

Sunday 26th September– Trinity 17

8am and 10am services led by The Rev. David Richardson from RAF High Wycombe

Readings: Esther 7.1-6,9,10 and 9.20-22; James 5.13-end; Mark 9.38-end.

Music: Anthem – Beati Mundo corde – music by Grayston Ives

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 Matins – **Little Hampden**

6.00pm Choral Evensong – **St Peter and St Paul**

Monday 27th September

7.00pm Chilterns Heritage Festival Bell-Ringing Evening (see details below)

Tuesday 28th September

7.30pm Church Open Meeting (see details below)

Wednesday 29th September

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

Sunday 3rd October – Trinity 18

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

9.30am Harvest Holy Communion – **St Mary's Ballinger**

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

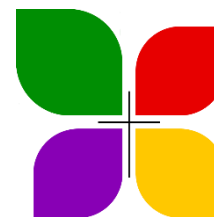
6.00pm Evensong – **St Peter and St Paul**

STAFF AVAILABILITY:

Please ring Tricia 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**

26th September 2021

Trinity 17

This week please pray for:

- our open meeting on Tuesday, responses and plans as we look forward;
- churches and all places of worship – staying safe from Covid;
- Afghanistan, order and peace, relief from starvation.

'Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.'

Mark 9.50

We welcome The Rev. David Richardson to lead our 8am and 10am services today.

Website: www.missendenchurch.org.uk

Collect

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus 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. Livestreamed services can be seen on Facebook afterwards.

Cream Teas take place today from 3-5pm. Please do join us for the last this season and enjoy music from Raffy Spring, Allsorts, Clarinet.

Parish Plan. Our next open meeting for discussing ideas for the job description of our new priest will be Tuesday, 28th September, at 7.30pm in church. Please consider the questions below, in advance of the meeting, 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 Donations. Thank you to everyone who donated food for the Chiltern Food Bank at last Sunday's Harvest Festival.

Bags of Pea-Gravel. Do you have an hour to spare on Monday 4 October at 4pm to help move two bags of pea-gravel from the top gate to the church North door. Please bring a shovel and wheel barrow, if you have one.

Don't forget! 10th October, 6pm, Hymns and Pimms (2). Come and sing more of your favourite requested hymns. With a few surprises!

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.

Please Save the Date. The Halloween Light Party for children in Reception to Year 6 will take place on 31st October, 4pm – 4.45pm. More details to follow!

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.

Afternoon Tea Fundraiser for Rennie Grove Hospice. Please come and enjoy on Saturday 16th October at 3pm in Oldham Hall. With a pianist, raffle, gift and other stalls. Tickets £10 in advance from Jill York (07846 534 301).

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.

Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church. The Committee is pleased to make a grant of £702 to the PCC for recent drain clearance, a replacement drain cover & a pedestrian manhole cover. Jams, marmalades & chutneys will be on sale at the last Cream Teas this Sunday, 26th September. They are also available at the Parish Office, Bob's Fruit & Veg Cabin behind the Cross Keys Pub, The Pantry & the Station Taxi Office & at Missenden Greens in Station Approach. Thank you again to everyone who has supported our charity with purchases, fruit & jam jar recycling – our only fundraising possibility for two years. Our two postponed concerts and two talks are booked for next year. We welcome and need new members to help our fundraising. Joining leaflets are on the shelf by the door –do please take one or offer them to your friends!