

**Calendar for 24th to 31st
August 2025**

**Sunday 24th August – The Feast of Saint Bartholomew the Apostle /
Trinity 10**

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Acts 5.12-16 (NT Pg. 116); 1 Corinthians 4.9-15 (NT Pg. 159); Luke 22.24-30 (NT Pg. 83).
10.00am Said Parish Eucharist with hymns – **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**
11.30am Said Matins with hymns – **Little Hampden**
3.00pm Cream Teas and Music – **St Peter and St Paul**
6.00pm Said Evening Prayer – **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 27th August

9.30am Communion by Extension – **St Peter and St Paul**

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Further Dates for your Diary (at St Peter and St Paul unless stated)
Tuesday 9th September, 9-10.30am: Open Forum on Concept Design for the future of St Peter and St Paul, and at 7.30pm Youth and Families work.
Tuesday 9th September, 7.30pm: Open PCC Meeting to discuss Children and Youth Work (see details inside).
Saturday 11th October, 2.30pm: Talk by Squadron Leader Graham Laurie RAF, "Flying the Royals" for the Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church
Sunday 5th October, 1.00pm: Parish Pot Luck Lunch in the Oldham Hall (see details inside).

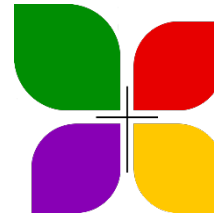
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The Chiltern Foodbank is currently looking for donations of...

Chocolate; Household Cleaner; Squash; Tinned Chicken; Washing-Up Liquid; Conditioner; Long-life Juice; Sweets; Toilet Cleaner.

All items must be within BBE date, please.
chiltern.foodbank.org.uk



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

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

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Please include in our prayers:

- for those in our Parish who are sick at home or in hospital;
- for school pupils, teachers and their families, that God will keep them safe during the Summer holidays;
- for the peace that passes all understanding throughout the world;
- for our plans to appoint a Youth Worker in our Parish.

For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.
 Luke 22.27

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your word: grant that your Church may love that word which he believed and may faithfully preach and receive the same; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Post Communion

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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News and Events

The Vicar writes...

We don't really know who Bartholomew actually is. He is named in the list of disciples in the Synoptic Gospels. Some scholars identify him as Nathanael, who is introduced to Jesus by Philip in John 1 and meets the risen Christ by the Sea of Galilee in John 21. Nathanael is not willing to follow Jesus without answers to his questions. His assumptions are challenged; he stretches beyond stereotypes. How do we build the same confidence to ask bold questions of our faith, yet also be willing to stretch our minds and imaginations to see the wonder of God?

(Based on Luke 22.24-30)

Cream Teas will be accompanied by music from the Clarity Clarinets this week.

The Choir will be on holiday throughout August.

****Change to Coffee 'n' Share dates**** Our normal 'Coffee 'n' Share' has finished for the Summer break. There will, however, be coffee at Abbeyfield on Wednesday 3rd September at 10.30am if you are able to join us. Coffee 'n' Share will then run as normal from September every week until Christmas, the first Wednesday of the month at Abbeyfield and each week thereafter in church.

Eco Tip for August. Private gardens, churchyards and other outdoor spaces can make a significant contribution to nature. We can take action to care for plants, wildlife and soil in the places where we live and around our churches. Caring for the earth was the first instruction God gave to humans. This doesn't mean we all need to be professional gardeners, but perhaps try to learn one new thing this month that you can do for a garden space. Read more about nature-friendly gardening at

<http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2024/04/environmentally-friendly-gardening-10-top-tips>

Concept Design for the future of St Peter and St Paul. On 9th September, 9.00am – 10.30am, there will be an open forum in Church with the architect Libby Watts, who is working on the concept design for the future of St Peter and St Paul. Libby will present the 90% complete concept design and it will be an opportunity for everybody to see that and give comments/feedback. Please join us if you can.

Open PCC Meeting for Children's, Youth and Family Work. You're warmly invited to an open PCC meeting on Tuesday 9th September at 7.30pm in the Church, where we'll be exploring the next steps for youth and family work in the Parish.

Urgent Work on the Church Tower will commence on Wednesday 27th August and run for just a couple of days.

Books. St Mary's Church have a very good selection of books to sell for donations of £1 or more, which will go into Church funds. Many of the books are suitable for a good holiday read and others are very interesting autobiographies and other various topics.

Recital by Cuban Guitarist, Ahmed Dickinson Cárdenas – Friday 5th September, 7pm, Oldham Hall. Fresh from Wigmore Hall, Ahmed brings a 70-minute programme of Spanish & Latin American classics; tickets £12 online at rb.gy/zw1yk4 or £15 on the door.

Great Missenden Church of England School. This summer, we're giving our school a fresh new look – and we need your help to make it happen! We'd be so grateful for any help you can offer. Register your interest and availability dates/times here (<https://tinyurl.com/2khwr5v5>). If you'd prefer to donate towards materials instead, you can do that online with the following details:

- Account name: Great Missenden C of E Combined School
- Account number: 11263168
- Sort Code: 30-14-77

The Misbourne – Year 11 Careers Day

We're looking for 25 volunteers to conduct mock face-to-face interviews with our Year 11 students on Friday 14th November 2025.

If you can help, please let us know here: <https://tinyurl.com/46ktz6b5>

Many Thanks to The Reverend Canon Alan Mustoe for taking the 8.00am and 10.00am services at St Peter and St Paul on Sunday 24th August, while Rev Malcolm Chalmers is on leave.

Songs from the Shows and Screen, Saturday 20th September, 7pm. Sit back and enjoy an evening's entertainment with hits by Cole Porter, George Gershwin, Fred Astaire and other all-time favourites. The Jeremy Harmsworth Quartet led by Maddy Cullen, vocals. Tickets £15, £5 students with light supper – www.missendenchurch.org.uk Also from Samways Newsagents and Café Kissa.

Harvest Supper at St Mary's Church, Ballinger – Saturday 4th October, 7:00pm for 7:30pm. Now in its 4th year, with a musical interlude courtesy of Ken Harratt. Tickets £26 to include a two-course meal and all drinks. Space is limited, so please contact Maggi Cameron or Anne Ellis asap to book.

Parish Pot Luck Lunch, Sunday 5th October from 1pm in the Oldham Hall. Everyone is invited to attend our Pot Luck Lunch and share a favourite dish. Please could each family bring a dish as follows based on the first letter of your surname:

A-F – Side Dish / Salad;

G-K – Dessert / Fruit;

L-Z – Main Dish.

Please contact Elisabeth Hubach if you have any questions (Elisabeth_Hubach@hotmail.com).

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