

**Calendar for 19th to 26th
October 2025**

Sunday 19th October– Trinity 18

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Jeremiah 31.27-34; 2 Timothy 3.14-4.5; Luke 18.1-8. (All Page Nos. refer to the Pew Bible.)
10.00am Non-Eucharistic Family Service, Blessing of the Pets – **St Peter and St Paul and live online**
6.00pm Said Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 22nd October

9.30am Holy Communion – **St Peter and St Paul**
10.30am Coffee 'n' Share – **St Peter and St Paul**

Sunday 26th October– Last Sunday After Trinity; Bible Sunday.

British Summertime ends: clocks back by one hour.

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Joel 2.23-end; 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18; Luke 18.9-14.
10.00am Sung Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live online**
11.30am Said Matins with hymns – **Little Hampden**
6.00pm Choral Evensong – **St Peter and St Paul**

Future Dates for your Diary (at St Peter and St Paul unless stated)
Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th December – Christmas Tree Festival (further details to follow).



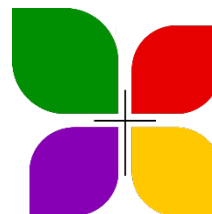
The Chiltern Foodbank is currently looking for donations of...

Instant Coffee; Kitchen Roll; Tinned Chicken; Tinned Rice Pudding.

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

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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**

Sunday 19th October – The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Please include in our prayers:

- for the blessing of health, peace and love upon our families and community;
- for our new Archbishop of Canterbury, The Rt Revd Dame Sarah Mullally;
- for peace throughout the world, and that the ceasefire in Gaza and Israel will hold;
- for our confirmation candidates, as they prepare for the coming of the Holy Spirit;
- for our pets who provide companionship and unconditional love.

Jesus said, 'And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you; he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'
 Luke 18.7-8

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

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News and Events

The Vicar writes...

This parable is given a heading so that we know what it's about. Enjoy the humour of the story and the colourful nature of the characters, and, as with all parables, don't take it all too literally. Clearly, we're being exhorted to persist in prayer like the widow who won't let go, but that doesn't mean that God is like the curmudgeonly judge. The translation is polite: 'wear me out' could mean 'give me a black eye!' What a wonderful and shocking reversal of roles, as judges were the most powerful, and widows the most vulnerable. Who is turning the world upside down?

(Based on the Gospel for this Sunday, Luke 18.1-8.)

Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church (Regd. Charity No: 1067435).

"Flying the Royals" Talk & Tea Event. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this such a happy and successful afternoon. The final fundraising figure is £1,805.50, which is excellent. It will contribute towards our three upcoming agreed repair grants to the PCC. Three people also kindly agreed to become members to support our fundraising work for repairs and restoration to this historic Parish Church, founded in 1133AD.

Jam Jars! Thank you for the continued recycling of jam jars and lids. There have been many recent kind donations of fruit resulting in over 250 jars filled in the past month. More jars would be greatly appreciated, please: all sizes but especially medium and small ones!

Charity Tabletop Sale in aid of Rennie Grove Peace and Thames Valley Air Ambulance with Home-made Cakes, Jams, Chutneys, Nearly New Gifts, Toys and Raffle, Saturday 25th October, 10am to 12noon in front of Great Missenden Library. Please donate cakes and come along to buy something. If you wish to donate, please call Jill York on 07846 534 301. Thank you.

Beyond Difference event, The Big Fat Interfaith Quiz, at Chiltern Hills Academy on Sunday 2nd November, 2.00pm. A fun social event with quiz loosely based around faith. If possible, please sign up in advance with a team name or alternatively just turn up. For more information or to register go to <https://beyonddifference.org>

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 at <https://tinyurl.com/46ktz6b5>

Eco Tip for October. Contribute to wildlife conservation. Clean bird feeders to prevent diseases spreading to winter migrants. Install a nest box well before breeding season to provide a cosy retreat for small birds during cold winter nights. Prepare to support more birds next year, with more tips at <http://www.arochoa.org.uk/give-a-bird-a-home> As you observe the local birds reflect on this verse, 'I know every bird in the mountains, and the insects in the field are mine.' Psalm 50.11

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