

Calendar for 11th to 18th October 2026

Sunday 11th October– Trinity 19

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Isaiah 25.1-9; Philippians 4.1-9; Matthew 22.1-14.
10.00am Parish Eucharist - **St Peter and St Paul and live online**
11.30am Holy Communion – **Little Hampden**
6.00pm Sung Compline – **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 14th October

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

Sunday 18th October– Harvest Festival

8.00am Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Deuteronomy 8.7-18; 2 Corinthians 9.6-15; Luke 12.16-30.
10.00am Parish Eucharist - **St Peter and St Paul and live online**
6.00pm Evening Prayer – **St Peter and St Paul**

Future Dates for your Diary (at St Peter and St Paul unless stated)

Sunday 1st November, 9.30am at St Mary's Church, Ballinger – Remembrance Service.

Sunday 8th November, 11.00am– Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial.

Sunday 8th November, 1.00pm at Little Hampden – Remembrance Service.

Sunday 8th November, 4.00pm – Remembering with Love Service.

Saturday 14th November, 2.30pm – FGMPG Talk and Tea: VE / VJ Days – 80 Years On (see inside for further details).

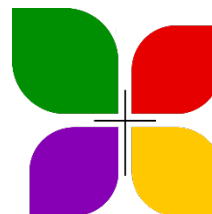
Live-Streaming of our Services

Many of our 10am services are streamed live. If you have any questions or concerns see notice board and/or please contact the Vicar or Safeguarding Officer (details below).

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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 11th October– The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Please include in our prayers:

- for all churches celebrating the Harvest Festival Season and for farmers and those who are involved in food production;
- for peace throughout the world and for constructive and helpful debate in the United Nations Organisation;
- for all those who are ill, in body, mind or spirit, either at home or in hospital;
- for the process of appointing a Youth Worker and a volunteer lead fund raiser.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.
Philippians 4.8

Collect

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post Communion

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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The Vicar writes...

It is hard to imagine that anyone would reject an invitation to a wedding banquet thrown by God. Surely all are welcome. But this parable suggests that some people will turn God down. They won't value the invitation or be prepared to wear the wedding robe, perhaps a metaphor for clothing ourselves with love. Psalm 23 reminds us of the God who is with us and prepares a place for us. The promise is that we are welcome – the choice to accept the invitation is up to us.

(Based on Matthew 22.1-14).

News and Events

Harvest Parcels this year will be forwarded to Chiltern Foodbank and used for local families in need via our own food distribution box in the North porch. Tinned and packet items should be within BBE date please, and the Foodbank would be grateful to receive the following goods in particular: Tinned Meatballs; Tinned Corned Beef; Tinned Custard; Tinned Fruit; Honey; Tinned Carrots; Instant Mash; Savoury Biscuits; Shampoo; Cereals; Fruit Juice (long life); Tinned Pudding; Jam; Tinned Fish; Tinned Veg; Cooking Sauces; Milk (UHT long-life); Small Instant Coffee.

Harvest Festival will take place on Sunday 18th October at St Peter and St Paul and on Sunday 25th October at Little Hampden.

Remembrance Services. Full details of this year's services can be found at: <https://missendenchurch.org.uk/remembrance>

Coffee Mornings at the Oldham Hall will take place each Friday from 8am – 9.45am during term time. All are welcome.

Afternoon Tea in aid of Thames Valley Air Ambulance on Saturday 17th October, 2.30pm-4.30pm, at the Damien Hall, The Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 23 High Street, Great Missenden, HP16 9AA. Tickets £10, which includes tea and cake, available from Samways in Great Missenden. Raffle and Gift Stalls. If you would like to book a table for four or more, make a donation or buy raffle tickets, please contact Jill York jillelizabethyork@yahoo.co.uk / 07846 534 301

Harvest Supper Thank You. We're very grateful to everyone who came along to this year's Harvest Supper and to all those who worked so hard to make it such a happy and successful evening; we raised over £500 towards the very necessary and outstanding repairs to the building. Peter Donnelly, who many will know through Lighthouse, entertained everyone with Beatles songs between courses. Many thanks to Peter for helping to make the evening so enjoyable! Congratulations too to the lucky winners of Sunday lunch for two at the Cock & Rabbit. We also really appreciated the support of those who sadly weren't able to join us on the night. Maggi Cameron and Anne Ellis.

Book Club – All Welcome. I am quite new to the Church and hoping to get to know people. I am starting a Book Club meeting monthly at Sue and Mike O'Farrell's house. It's not a House Group, just a fun way to get together and talk about meaningful books. To start us off, I have chosen the joyful and rewarding

'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' by C.S. Lewis. Is it a children's book? We will find out! Rowan Williams says it has "subtle literary artistry and powerful spiritual insights..."

Monday 26th October, 2-4pm, 'Sarmia', Marriotts Avenue, South Heath, HP16 9QW. Tea and cake. The intention is to meet same time, same place, on the last Monday of each month. Just come along, no need to sign up, please do read the book in advance, if you can. Any questions, please contact me Deborah Elliott 07747 038930.

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

Our charity is delighted to welcome Jayne Becket as the new Hon. Secretary.

The "Engineering for Life – the Story of the Martin-Baker Aircraft Ejection Seats" fundraising event on 3rd October was splendid! The church was packed with over 200 people, and Steve Roberts gave an excellent and fascinating presentation. A huge "Thank You" again to everyone who helped to make it such a very happy and successful afternoon. An amazing £3,925 was raised during the weekend: £3,748 at the church and £276 at the Library Jam Sale. A recording of the talk can be found on the Parish Church Facebook page.

Our next event will be VE / VJ Days – 80 Years On, an illustrated talk by Tony Birkett on 14th November, 2.30pm. Tea and biscuits, a raffle and sale of home-made preserves will follow the talk. Tickets are £10, available from Samways or on the door. For further information, please contact Vivienne Davis at friendsgmipc@outlook.com or, to find out more about our charity, please visit https://missendenchurch.org.uk/Groups/289937/Friends_of_Great.aspx

Misbourne Careers Day. Would you be available to conduct a mock interview with some of our Year 11 students on 13 November? If you are available – **please sign up** on his link <https://forms.gle/hJS1HL1gmd2HYHrd9>

Great Missenden CofE School Fireworks Extravaganza, Saturday 7th November from 5pm. Bonfire, family entertainment, rides, hog roast, licensed bar. Early Bird Saver Tickets available until 23rd October from <http://www.gmfireworks.co.uk/>

Restore Hope Fireworks Display on Saturday 7th November from 5.30-7.30pm at Restore Hope Latimer, HP5 1TU. Tickets can be found at: <http://www.restorehopecharity.org/events/fireworks> Hot food and drinks (no alcohol), parking, live music and kids activities are all included within the ticket price, All funds raised from this event will go straight to supporting local families who are struggling.



The Chiltern Foodbank is currently looking for donations of...
Cold Tinned Meat; Hot Tinned Meat; Long-life Juice; Peanut Butter;
Savoury Snacks; Sponge Puddings; Tinned Carrots; Tinned Fish;
Tinned Fruit; Tinned Pulses; Tinned Soup.
All items must be within BBE date, please.