

## OUR CHURCHES' DIARY

**TODAY 25th April EASTER 4**

Little Chesterford	<b>No service</b>	
Great Chesterford	11.00 am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b> Alex Jeewan Preacher: Hilary Walker
Wendens Ambo	9.30 am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b> Alex Jeewan Preacher: Hilary Walker
Littlebury	11.00 am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b> Angela Want
Littlebury Green	9.30 am	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b> Angela Want

## THIS WEEK

<b>Tuesday 27th April</b>		
5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
<b>Wednesday 28th April</b>		
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Zoom
5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
<b>Thursday 29th April</b>		
5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom

**NEXT SUNDAY 2nd May Easter 5**

9.30 am	<b>MORNING PRAYER</b>	Little Chesterford
9.30 am	<b>FAMILY SERVICE</b>	Wendens Ambo
	<b>No service</b>	Littlebury Green
11.00 am	<b>MORNING PRAYER</b>	Great Chesterford
	<b>No service</b>	Littlebury

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SAFFRON WALDEN & VILLAGES TEAM MINISTRY

# The Grapevine

COVERING THE CHURCHES OF  
**GREAT & LITTLE CHESTERFORD, LITTLEBURY WITH  
 LITTLEBURY GREEN, & WENDENS AMBO**

**Welcome to our services today  
 Fourth Sunday of Easter**

### Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### New Testament Reading Acts 4.5-12

The Jewish rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone." There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

### Gospel John 10.11-18

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away – and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

### Post Communion

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

### Those who are unwell:

Michelle Thomson (Littlebury Green)  
Freda Kent (Wendens Ambo)  
Barbara Morrison (Little Chesterford)  
Margaret Reed, Valerie Clift, and David Lilley  
(Great Chesterford)

### Those who need our support:

Betty Dowsett (Littlebury Green)  
Lucy Maskell (Great Chesterford)  
Jan Godfrey (Little Chesterford)  
Caroline Avery (Wendens Ambo)

### Friends and families of those who have died:

David Green  
Those whose anniversaries are this week

### Other topics for your prayers

- On this Vocations Sunday all those seeking to find out how they can serve their Lord
- Saffron Walden Deanery Vocations Advisor the Revd Margaret Davis
- For those parts of the world living with conflict, natural or manmade disaster, thinking especially of the people of Myanmar and Yemen
- For those nations struggling with a third wave of the coronavirus especially India and other places where it is swamping medical facilities
- That the vaccines may continue to be manufactured and distributed without disruption but with fairness and compassion.
- As we look forward to enjoying the relaxation of lockdown that we may continue to observe necessary precautions
- Those missing loved ones who have died

## OUR CHURCHES

### Giving to our churches

If you wish to make a donation to our churches we are now able to do offer online giving. Just visit the 'Giving' section of our website ([www.camvillages.org.uk](http://www.camvillages.org.uk)) and follow the instructions. Thanks, too, to those who have chosen to commit to regular planned giving.

### Website

Keep up to date with all that's going on by visiting our website <https://camvillages.org.uk>

### Children's Work

There are activities for young people of all ages on the website prepared by our children's ministry team.

### Access

Below you will find details of how to access the services that are going to be live streamed together with Zoom services.

## PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

O Lord, we are your people, and the sheep of your pasture, help us to enter your gates with thanksgiving, and into your courts with praise, that we may ever give thanks and bless your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

### MASKS IN CHURCH

Please note it is now compulsory - government and Church of England instructions - to wear a mask for services in church unless you have an exemption.

**THANK YOU** . . . to those of you who have responded to Alex's reminder not to forget your church in this time of lockdown. You can now give online too.

### WEDNESDAY 9.30 am ZOOM HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrated by members of the Team clergy. For an invitation to Zoom services please contact Alex or Gillian ([website.camvillages@gmail.com](mailto:website.camvillages@gmail.com))

### SUPPORTING EACH OTHER

There is support available in all our 5 communities during the current restrictions. Contact details have been circulated. Don't hesitate to get in touch with them or to encourage your neighbours to - whatever the need.

### KEEP IN TOUCH

With all that's going on via our churches' website [www.camvillages.org.uk](http://www.camvillages.org.uk) especially the services available for us on Sundays

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## NEWS

**.PARISH OFFICE** The Parish Administrator is available by phone or email on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 9.30am - 12 noon. The office is not currently open to personal callers.

### WENDENS AMBO PLANT SALE

Saturday 1st May 2021

at the Village Hall - in the car park or the hall or both

### ALL SAINTS PLANT SALE

Sunday 22nd May 2021 2-4pm

at The Beeches (34 Jacksons Lane), Great Chesterford