

OUR CHURCHES' DIARY

TODAY Trinity 15 12th September

Wendens Ambo	9.30am	Family Service — AJ
Littlebury	1100am	Holy Communion—AW
Great Chesterford	11.00am	Holy Communion—AJ

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 14th September
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer Zoom
 7.30 pm Churchwardens and Secretaries meeting All Saints

Wednesday 15th September
 9.30 am Holy Communion Saffron Walden
 3.00 pm Funeral (Rosemary Fentem) All Saints
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer Zoom
 7.30 pm PCC meeting Wendens Ambo

Thursday 16th September
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer Zoom

NEXT WEEK 19th September TRINITY 16

Little Chesterford	9.30 am	HOLY COMMUNION
Great Chesterford	9.30 am	ICHURCH
Wendens Ambo	9.30 am	MORNING PRAYER
Littlebury	11.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION
Littlebury Green	4.00 pm	HARVEST SERVICE

Holy Communion readings:
 James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a Mark 9:30-37

ACCESS

Live streamed services from Great Chesterford

Go to
<https://www.facebook.com/camvillageschurches>
 Just before the service time and look out for the post which will say "CamVillages Churches is live". Click on the video in the post to watch the live stream.

Services on Zoom

Email Alex at vicar.camvillages@gmail.com or Gillian Hopton at website.camvillages@gmail.com for an invitation with the access codes.

Other Services

Access information will be found on the Cam Villages Website or stmaryssaffronwalden.org

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The Grapevine

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

Welcome to our services today
Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.

New Testament Reading James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue - a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Gospel Mark 8:27-38

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist, and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' Jesus asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Those who are unwell:

Michelle Thomson (Littlebury Green)
Freda Kent (Wendens Ambo)
Margaret Reed, Valerie Clift, David Lilley and
Cliff Lightning (Great Chesterford)
Mavis DeBoise (Caroline Jeewan's mum)

Those who need our support:

Betty Dowsett (Littlebury Green)
Lucy Maskell (Great Chesterford)
Jan Godfrey (Little Chesterford)

Friends and families of those who have died:

Rosemary Fentem
Those whose anniversaries are this week

Other topics for your prayers

- For the people of Afghanistan under the Taliban regime, especially women and girls fearing the loss of education and independence
- For other parts of the world living with conflict, unrest and deprivation as well as the effects of natural or manmade disaster, especially Yemen and Ethiopia living with the threat of famine, Haiti with the aftermath of earthquake and storm, and those parts of the US ravaged by hurricanes
- The continuing rollout of Covid-19 vaccines so that the virus may be contained and all protected
- Young people leaving home for the first time as they start further education
- Our stewardship of the world's resources
- 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) and follow the instructions. Thanks, too, to those who have chosen to commit to regular planned giving.

Website

Keep up to date with changes to our worship in church and 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

On p 4 you will find details of how to access the services that are going to be live streamed together with Zoom ones

Following the lifting of government restrictions

the team is suggesting the following - but each church may like to have its own variation. Bearing in mind that we still want everyone to feel safe:

1. It will be up to individuals to decide whether or not to wear masks.
 2. If singing is allowed for the congregation, we will wear masks to sing.
 3. Choirs won't have to mask if they social distance and/or are 6 or less.
 4. We will create a separate space in our churches for those who want to social distance.
 5. Test and trace will continue.
 6. We will no longer use one-way systems.
- We won't share the common cup until, at least, spring. This is to see how winter affects the virus.

Post Communion

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NEWS

FAMILY WORSHIP

From September the **Cam Villages Churches** will offer families a greater choice of services in the course of each month:
1st Sunday **Café Church** 10.00 am at Littlebury
2nd Sunday **Family Service** 9.30 am at Wenden
3rd Sunday **iChurch** 9.30 am at Gt Chesterford
4th Sunday **Family Communion** 9.30 am at Wenden or
Family Service 9.30am at Littlebury Green

A NEW DATE!

CAM VILLAGES PICNIC (postponed from 4th July)
The new date for this is **10th October** - this is the day of the next Cam Churches Together service. Alex and Caroline are hoping the weather will allow us to picnic in the Vicarage garden, but if not we will use the church. The time will be from just after the end of the service **12 noon to 2 pm**. More details will follow later.

See the Angels in Littlebury Church

Saturday & Sunday 9th and 10th October

11.00 am - 4pm

children's activities - refreshments

in aid of Holy Trinity Littlebury

Keeping each other safe - please bring your mask

STOP PRESS!

We are exploring the possibility of running a **toddler church** service on Wednesday mornings at All Saints GC if there is a desire for it. Would you or someone you know come? Or would you like to help, either serving teas, coffees and toast or being part of the leadership team? Please contact Alex if you would like more information or would like to attend. Even if you can't be involved, please pray for this important ministry.

Bibles for Year 6 - We have always tried to give a card and a small gift to those in Year 6 from Great Chesterford Primary Academy leaving the school to attend secondary school. As 5 Churches we thought it might be good if we could give each child a bible. We are therefore looking for people to sponsor a bible for each child in year 6. There are usually 30 children, so we need 30 of our church members to agree to give £12 to buy a bible for one pupil. If you are interested, then please contact either Alex or Sheila 530053. Any money would not need to be received until May 2022.

Don't forget to keep up to date by visiting our CAM VILLAGES WEBSITE

The website is user friendly, has all our latest news and you will be able to see what is going on in all our churches at a glance.

Please visit www.camvillages.org.uk

Climate Change Sunday

At our Cam Villages Together service at 10am on 10th October we welcome Edward Gildea, our deanery environmental adviser, to come and talk to us about what we can do in our churches and in our lives to help the environment, reduce our carbon emissions and help take care of the earth. Do join us as we help to take care of God's gift to us.