

OUR CHURCHES' DIARY

TODAY 31st October ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS

Great Chesterford & Little Chesterford	11.00 am	PATRONAL FESTIVAL HOLY COMMUNION Alex Jeewan
	6.30 pm	ALL SOULS SERVICE Alex Jeewan
Wendens Ambo & Littlebury	10.00 am	SUNG MATINS John Risby
	4.00 pm	ALL SOULS SERVICE John Risby

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 2nd November
5.00 pm Evening Prayer Zoom

Wednesday 3rd November
9.30 am Holy Communion Saffron Walden
9.30 am Building Blocks Great Chesterford
5.00 pm Evening Prayer Zoom

Thursday 4th November
5.00 pm Evening Prayer Zoom

Friday 5th November
2.00 pm Funeral for Cliff Lightning Great Chesterford

Saturday 6th November
2.00 pm Ivy Pull Littlebury

NEXT SUNDAY 7th November THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

Wendens Ambo & Littlebury Green	9.30 am	HOLY COMMUNION
Little Chesterford	9.30 am	MORNING PRAYER
Great Chesterford	11.00 am	MORNING PRAYER
Littlebury	10.00 am	CAFÉ CHURCH
	4.00 pm	ALL SOULS SERVICE

Holy Communion readings:
Hebrews 9:24-end Mark 1:14-20

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

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

Welcome to our services today

ALL SAINTS DAY

Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

New Testament Reading Revelation 21.1-6

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

Gospel John 11.32-44

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?' Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

Post Communion

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Those who are unwell:

Jenny Sweet and Michelle Thomson (Littlebury Green)
Margaret Reed, Valerie Clift and David Lilley
(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:

Cliff Lightning (Great Chesterford)
Marjorie Edge (Saffron Walden)
Norman Britcher (Wendens Ambo)
Those whose anniversaries are this week

Other topics for your prayers

- The UN Climate Change Conference in Glasgow
- Our efforts to care for the world and protect its resources - that they may be relevant, generous and practical
- Those whose lives and livelihoods are being affected by natural events, and by conflict and civil war and especially those experiencing near famine
- The people of Afghanistan living under the Taliban
- That nations with the vaccines to control Covid-19 and its variants may help with their provision to the poorer parts of the world
- Those missing loved ones who have died

OUR CHURCHES

Following the lifting of government restrictions

the team is suggesting the following - but each church may like to have its own variation (e.g. St Mary's Saffron is continuing to request the wearing of masks) 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.

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

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
Family Service 9.30 am at Littlebury Green
4th Sunday **Family Communion** 9.30 am at Wenden

'Building Blocks'

Building blocks is a toddler church with a difference. Please join us for fun, stories and music every Wednesday during term time.

Each session begins at 9.30 am for tea, coffee, squash and biscuits and playtime, and then the activities begin at 10 am.

Just come along, even if you have never been to church before, and join in the fun!

YOUTH ALPHA COURSE

It's not too late to join the Youth Alpha Course which started yesterday. Do please let Caroline Jeewan know if you are interested. Ring 531153.

CHRISTMAS FAIR Saturday 27th November
at Chesterfords Community Centre, Newmarket Road, Great Chesterford **12 noon to 4 pm.**

The Parish of Great and Little Chesterford is planning for its Christmas Fair on Saturday 27th November, and hoping that nothing will stop it happening. Children's entertainment has been booked, there will be plenty of stalls, light lunches and teas, and the Grand Christmas Draw for the amazing Christmas hamper and many more prizes. And . . . Father Christmas is expected to call.

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.

THE SAFFRON WALDEN AND VILLAGES TEAM MINISTRY

VACANCY We are looking for a paid Associate Administrator to work alongside Dawn Saxon in the Parish Office for 4 mornings a week. Full details of the role and how to apply are available on St Mary's website. www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org
For further information please contact Judith Hasler on 01799 525041

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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