

NOTICES / DIARY DATES

Event	Date and time	Venue
Team Bereavement "Drop In"	2 nd Mon of the Month (3:00 to 4:00 pm)	St. Mary's Church, Princes Risborough
Team "Tea for All" for anyone who is feeling lonely and wants to drop in for tea, cake and a chat.	Last Sunday of the Month (2:30 to 4:30 pm)	St. Mary's Church, Princes Risborough
Team Morning Prayer	Wed. 15 th November (8:45 am)	St. Mary's Princes Risborough
Team Morning Prayer	Wed 22 nd November (8:45 am)	St. John's Church
Team Morning Prayer	Wed 29 th November (8:45 am)	St. Peter's Ilmer
Organ Recital (Fund Raising for the Organ)	Sat. 2 nd December (4:00 pm)	St. John's Church
Team Morning Prayer	Wed 6 th December (8:45 am)	St. Dunstan's Monks Risborough

ORGAN RECITAL

In honour of the restoration of our Samuel Green Organ, we will be holding a celebration concert on Saturday 2nd December starting at 4:00 p.m. Performing will be two of Gavin's friends - Alastair Ross (organ) and Gillian Ross (soprano). Alastair is principal keyboard player of the Academy of Ancient Music and the Sixteen, with whom he played a Handel Organ Concerto at the BBC proms. Gillian works with major Baroque groups with whom she has appeared as a soloist on a number of recordings. Tickets can be bought in advance from Tony, Margaret, Cher, Gavin and Rosemary and include refreshments provided by the choir.

ONE CAN TRUST

One Can Trust are trying to create bags that enable families to make a nutritious meal. Soup is not needed, but all donations for the food cupboard are welcome, including tinned meat, tinned fish, lentils, pasta, tinned tomatoes and cook-in sauces. We are being told that donations to the Trust have been down recently, but demand remains high. We have a donations box outside the Church Porch. Thank you.

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PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, LACEY GREEN



Coming to Faith, Growing in Faith

Week Commencing
SUNDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2023
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

WELCOME TO TODAY'S WORSHIP

You are warmly welcomed to St. John's Church, particularly if you are new to our congregation or are a visitor.

WORSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S

Wearing masks in church is now optional except for the Lady chapel where we request that masks are still worn in this part of the Church. The Lady Chapel area will continue to be set aside as a mandatory social distancing area for those who feel they need to socially distance themselves from others. Please respect this. A bottle of sanitiser is available in the Chancel in front of the Chancel Screen for people to use, if they wish, before receiving Communion. The Common Cup is being used during our Communion services with a separate chalice for those who wish to receive by Intinction. We will generally be serving coffee after the 10:00 am Service on Sundays.

We have a card reader available, so we are able to take cashless offerings during services / donations. Linked to this we also have a QR code for members of the congregation to donate via their Smartphone, which can be used as of now. You will need a QR reader App to use this. Thank you for however you choose to make your offering.



Weekly Services:

SUNDAY

8:00 am	In-church Said BCP Communion Service (1 st & 3 rd Sun)
10:00 am	In-church Parish Communion Service with Hymns

TUESDAY

9:30 am	In-church Said Parish Communion Service
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FOCUS ON ... REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

At the heart of the Christian understanding of the nature of God is the Cross, a deep mystery at the heart of our understanding of a God of love; and in which Jesus fulfilled the will of the Father. My former Parish of Leeds City was the birthplace of the eminent WWI Army Chaplain Fr. Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy - better known as "Woodbine Willie" because of his practice of furnishing the troops going into battle with cigarettes. And who was, in fact, awarded the Military Cross for his bravery. His Father was Vicar of St. Mary's Church on the outskirts of Leeds City centre. In fact, Studdert Kennedy was born in St. Mary's Vicarage which was later demolished and St. James' Hospital, the world famous "Jimmie's", stands on the site. Studdert Kennedy later served as a curate in Leeds City Parish. After the First World War, he wrote of how powerfully the Cross spoke to many of the troops that he served as Chaplain in what were by any measure very dire circumstances. And, as Studdert Kennedy affirmed, it is a cornerstone of the Christian faith that the sadness and sorrow of the Cross made possible the joy and the glory of the Resurrection. The Christian concept of Resurrection is much more powerful than the mere idea of survival after death. It speaks to us of a "raising up" to new level of existence that is far richer, far more glorious, than anything we can know in this mortal world. And so it is our faith and trust that what death unmakes, God re-makes. So that it is from the raw material of our mortal lives that a new spiritual existence and a new immortal life is to be fashioned. Each Remembrance Sunday, then, we are invited to remember those who have lived and died in the service of others. We are called to confess the reality of conflict in our lives and in the world, and to pray for those who suffer because of war. And we do all this in the context of worshipping Almighty God, who calls us to work together for peace, justice, mercy and grace.

Canon Tony Bundock

COLLECT FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, *Amen*.



THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Amos Ch. 5 VV. 18 – 24
1 Thessalonians Ch. 4 VV. 13 –
End

Matthew Ch. 25 VV. 1 – 13

PRAYER CHAIN PRAYER



Lord, we pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror. We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away. We remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, *Amen*.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us evermore, *Amen*.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, *Amen*.

This Week you are Asked to Pray for:

- Those in the parish and further afield who are sick or in need that they receive peace and healing, including; Mary Mines, Rita Probert, Roger Hussey, Martin Moore, Graham King, Dick Field, Helena Oecken, Kelly Safaris Silva, Marcus Barthropp, John Thomas-Davies, Frances Thomas-Davies, Richard Thomas-Davies, Jay Edmondson, Ursula Glynn-Jones, Tony Scott and Sheila Wright.
- The recently departed. May their souls rest in peace. We pray for their families and friends at this difficult time.
- For those who serve in this county's armed forces, for those who have given their lives serving this country and those who have been wounded during service. For the Royal British Legion and the work it does.
- We pray for our government, that they will lead wisely and fairly for all.
- We pray for countries where there have been natural disasters, for their peoples and for the various aid organisations bringing relief.
- We pray for Peace in the Ukraine, the Sudan, Israel and The Gaza Strip. That there will be a rapid end to the fighting and the suffering for their Peoples.
- We pray for our National Health Service and the Doctors, Nurses and Support Staff.
- For the country of South Africa, for the people of Cape Town and Diocese of Kimberly and Kuruman including our linked parish of St. Mary's Kuruman.