

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick: Shelagh Almond, Pauline Baker, Harry Banks, Polly Barclay, Charlie Bartlett, Mary Bartlett, Emma Brindle, Karen Brown, Harley Byrne, Diane, Frankie Cooper, Rhiannon Crick, Mandy Daly, Debbie, Win Dennis Gary Downes, Eric Edwin, Sam Fathers, Ed Fuller, Emma Hayward, Laura Hearne, Heidi, Gill Hynes, Enid Ingle, Julie, Margaret Keech, Helen Macabe, Victoria Martin, Jackie O'Shea, Carol Page, Cliff Page, Susan Pearson, Donna Prior, June Simmonds, Heid Simon, Darren Smith, Robin Stokoe, Hazel Suffolk, Carol Vanner, Gary Williamson, Hilary Wilson and Sarah Wilson.

The departed: Peter Smith, John Goodship

We endeavour to keep this list up-to-date; if you have any questions, please speak to Beverley, Elizabeth or one of the Readers.

Year's Mind

19th Emma Chappell, Gavin Cooper, Evelyn Gregory, Annie Grimmer, Frederick Rolfe, Sylvia Stapleton, Herbert Woods

20th Percy Gill

21st Leslie Akin, Walter Garrett

22nd Sarah Shotbolt

23rd Richard Morgan, Nellie Pinny, Margaret Richardson, Imogen Whitby

24th Dennis Ewen, Dennis Grange, Francis Howard

25th Peter Simpson

NOTICES

BIBLE STUDY meets every Wednesday on Zoom at 7.00pm. If you would like to join us please contact David Young on 01525 404947 or dryoung1@btinternet.com Each meeting is independent and you can join as many, or as few, as suits you.

ANNUAL REPORTS If you have any reports for 2024 please send them to Elizabeth ASAP Elizabeth_neil@hotmail.com Thank you

QUIZ Saturday 8th February 7.30pm. Teams of up to 6. £5 per person including nibbles, Licensed bar. To book contact Beverley. A fun evening for all!

COFFEE AND CHAT Tomorrow, Monday 20th January, 10.30am-12noon in the Chapter House. Everyone welcome.

CHURCHES TOGETHER GENERAL MEETING All welcome. Saturday 25th January Greensand Community Methodist Church Flitwick. Breakfast 8.45am. If you are intending to come, please email ctaf2021@outlook.com with any dietary requirements.

Please ensure that notices are with Beverley by Wednesday for inclusion in the next pew sheet.

ST ANDREW'S | AMPTHILL

With St MICHAEL'S, MILLBROOK, AND St LAWRENCE'S, STEPPINGLEY

Sunday 17th January **Second Sunday of Epiphany**

8.00am Said Eucharist St Andrew's, Ampthill Rev'd Andy Jefferson

9.30am Parish Eucharist St Andrew's, Ampthill Rev'd Andy Jefferson

Hymns: 233 – O thou who camest from above, 194 – King of glory, King of peace, 125 – O for a thousand tongues to sing, 356 – Father, Lord of all creation.

Anthem: Ascribe unto the Lord – Wesley

Recessional: Antiphon V – Dupre

11.15am Morning Praise St Lawrence's, Steppingley Stella Brooks

11.15am Parish Eucharist St Michael's, Millbrook Rev'd Andy Jefferson

6.30pm Taize Service for Week of St Andrew's, Ampthill Chris Hodges

Christian Unity

DURING THE WEEK

Monday 20th 10.30am-12.30noon Coffee and Chat in the Chapter House

Tuesday 21st 6.30pm -9.30pm Ampthill Climate Change group in the Chapter House

9.15am-11.00am Little Stars in the Chapter House

Wednesday 22nd 6.30pm- 9.30pm NCT in the Chapter House

10.15am – 11.30am Baby Yoga in the Chapter House

12.30pm – 2.30pm Tai Chi in the Chapter House

Thursday 23rd 8.00pm-10.00pm Wine Society in the Chapter House

10.00am Said Eucharist in Church Rev'd David Powell

10.15am -11.30pm Baby Yoga in the Chapter House

6.45pm – 8.15pm Yoga in the Chapter House

Friday 24th 7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice at St Andrew's

7.00pm Choir Practice in the Church

7.30pm -9.00pm Yoga in the Chapter House

7.30pm-9.00pm Childbirth Trust in the Chapter House

9.30am-4.00pm Yoga in the Chapter House

Morning Prayer is said at 9.00am each weekday at St Andrew's.

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 26th January

8.00am Morning Prayer

9.30am Parish Eucharist

11.15am Parish Eucharist

11.15am Morning Prayers

Third Sunday of Epiphany

St Andrew's, Ampthill Pippa Kilgour

St Andrew's, Ampthill Rev'd Nik Munday

St Lawrence's, Steppingley Rev'd Nik Munday

St Michael's, Millbrook Kerry Smith

CONTACTS

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COLLECT

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

READINGS

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. ²The nations shall see your vindication and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

This is the word of the Lord.

Isaiah 62: 1-5

Thanks be to God.

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment

of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

This is the word of the Lord.

1 Corinthians 12: 1-11

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' ⁴And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' ⁵His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' ⁶Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, ¹⁰'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

John 2: 1-11

Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**