NOTICES

Team Morning Prayer Services

The Risborough Team Clergy continue to meet on Wednesdays for 08:45 am Morning Prayer in turn at our respective churches.

17th November – Holy Trinity, Bledlow. 24th November – St Mary's, Princes Risborough. 1st December – St Dunstan's, Monks Risborough. 8th December – St John's, Lacey Green.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Remembrance Sunday 14th November 10:00 am Parish Communion with Act of Remembrance.
- Bereavement Service Sunday 21st November 3:00 pm. With music from our Choir. Book of Remembrance. Refreshments after the Service.
- Online Shorter form of BCP Evening Prayer with Hymns Sunday 5th December 6.00 pm.
- Christmas Tree Festival in Church Friday 10th December 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm, Saturday 11th December 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, Sunday 12th December 12 noon to 3:00 pm (ending with Christingle service at 3:00 pm).

CHURCHES TOGETHER ADVENT STUDY COURSE

The Churches Together in Risborough Study Course for Advent will follow the book "Advent for Everyone – a Journey through Luke" by Tom Wright. The St. John's sessions will be online on Tuesday afternoons - 30th November, 7th, 14th and 21st December – all at 3pm. The book costs £7.99 and can be ordered from St. Mary's Parish Office through Canon Tony.

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PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, LACEY GREEN



Coming to Faith, Growing in Faith

Week Commencing SUNDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2021 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. Today we will be holding our Act of Remembrance during the 10:00 Sunday Service which will be led by Canon Tony.

WORSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S

Following the lifting of most remaining Lockdown restrictions, on 20th July, the PCC Standing Committee have agreed to the following changes to worship at St. John's for the immediate future:

- Although no longer legally required, we request that, for the time being due to Covid-19 infection rates remaining high, that the congregation do continue to wear masks in Church, maintain social distancing and sanitise their hands.
- The choir has resumed singing in Church during the main Sunday service. The
 congregation are invited to join in the singing of hymns but are requested to do so
 wearing their masks.
- Holy Communion will continue in one kind only for the time being and will be administered from the area in front of the chancel step (as we have been doing during lockdown).
- The Peace will continue for the time being to be observed discreetly and following social distancing protocols.
- The congregation are asked to observe social distancing as far as possible and the Lady Chapel area will be set aside as a <u>mandatory</u> social distancing area for those who feel they need to socially distance themselves from others. Please respect this.

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
6:00 pm	On-line Evening Prayer with Hymns (1st Sunday).

TUESDAY

9:30 am In-church Said Parish Communion Service

FOCUS ON REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

the wearing of poppies in the season of Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday, and all that this symbolises, seems to be ever more significant as we continue to hear news of tragic loss of life and serious injury in the course of armed conflict in various parts of the world. As we know, the humble poppy has long been an enduring and poignant symbol of the commitment to the principles of democracy and peace that is central to our keeping of Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day. The poppy reminds us our debt of gratitude to those of the Armed Forces and their families. It brings to the forefront of our minds our responsibility of support and care for ex-service personnel who have been seriously injured in the course of armed conflict or who lives have been otherwise scarred as a result of their experiences. It affirms to us our duty to pray for those who are on active service in very challenging circumstances at the present time and for all casualties of warfare. It challenges us to continue to pray for lasting peace and reconciliation, and to commit ourselves to work together in the cause of freedom and justice. Above all. the poppy reminds us of our high calling of solemn remembrance of the sacred memory of those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the course of the two World Wars, and in the many subsequent conflicts that have cast a dark shadow across the lives of so many people and continues to do so in our own time. And so, we again call to mind familiar and powerful words from the poem "For the Fallen" by Laurence Binyon who was born in Lancaster in 1869, the son of a Church of England Minister. He wrote his famous poem in 1914 whilst on a visit to North Cornwall. This extract from his famous poem continues to be a key element in the Act of Remembrance: "They shall grow not old, as we are left grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the year condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them"

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.



READINGS FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Micah Ch. 4 VV. 1 – 5 1 Corinthians Ch. 15 VV. 50 - 58

Matthew Ch. 5 VV. 1 - 12

PRAYER CHAIN PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

(THIS SUNDAY THE INTERCESSIONS WILL BE LED BY PAT RUSHMERE)



We thank you heavenly Father, for the gift of your Holy Spirit among us as we pray to you now. Father you build your Church on both the strength and frailty of your disciples. Pour out the riches of your grace, that with diverse gifts your Church may further your Kingdom. Nothing shall prevail against your will.

We pray for a world damaged by the Coronavirus pandemic. We pray for the safety and protection of all Key workers, in the NHS and elsewhere and for the children, the young people, the elderly and the vulnerable. We pray that the guidelines set down by the Government will be followed for the safety of all.

Father we pray for all who take counsel for nations; for governments and councils, for all whose decisions affect the lives of others. May justice and righteousness prosper. Father, you hold all souls in life. Bring all the departed to the place of refreshment and peace and, as we remember them with love and gratitude, we commend them to your eternal rest and unchanging affection.

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

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 Fray for:

- Those in the parish and further afield who are sick or in need that they receive peace and healing, including: Irene Foord, Mary Mines, Helena Oecken, Ian Wilson, Ron Goodearl, Ian Goodearl, Phillipa King, Beryl Palmer, Sally Zeybek, Doug Tilbury, Margaret Karstens, Don White, Stuart Richards and John Roberts.
- The recently departed, may their souls rest in peace. We pray for their families and friends at this difficult time.
- All parts of the world affected by the Coronavirus (Covid-19), those who are ill with the virus and those caring for them. Particularly praying for countries where infection rates are very high and the hospitals are struggling to cope.
- 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.

CONFIRMATION

We are planning to present candidates for confirmation at Long Crendon on Sunday evening 30th January 2022 at 6:00 pm. The preparation course begins with a first session on Saturday 18th December at 3:00 pm which is due to be online. If anyone wishes to be confirmed at this service, please speak to Canon Tony.