

SERVICES NEXT WEEK

SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

ABBAY – 8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)
CLIFTON HAMPDEN – 8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)
STADHAMPTON – 9.30 AM FAMILY SERVICE
LONG WITTENHAM – 9.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION
ABBAY – 10.30 AM REMEMBERING WITH THANKSGIVING
MARSH BALDON – 10.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION
WARBOROUGH – 11.00 AM PARISH EUCHARIST
BERINSFIELD – 2.30 PM MESSY CHURCH
ABBAY – 3.00 PM FOREST CHURCH
DRAYTON ST LEONARD – 5.00 PM HOLY COMMUNION
WARBOROUGH – 6.00 PM ALL SOULS: COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

A Service of Holy Communion is at St Mary's and St Berin Berinsfield every Wednesday at 9.30am. Everyone welcome.

HYMNS

When morning gilds the skies 9
Break thou the bread of life 378 (*new)
Spirit of God 389
Lord thy word abideth 383

NEXT WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS

Daniel 7.1–3, 15–18
Ephesians 1.11–23
Luke 6.20–31

NOTICES

Village Coffee Morning in the Abbey

Tuesdays 11.00 am – 12 pm

Community Coffee Morning meets every Tuesday at Berinsfield Church Hall 10.30am-12pm. Open to everyone and will remain Dementia friendly.

Abbey Tots – Wednesdays in the Abbey 9.30am – 10.30am

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SUNDAY 26TH OCTOBER

LAST AFTER TRINITY / BIBLE SUNDAY

Welcome to our services today, especially any who are visiting us or are new parishioners. Please make yourself known to the clergy or those on duty.

THE COLLECTS

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

BIBLE READINGS

Romans 15:1-6

We who are strong ought to put up with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. ²Each of us must please our neighbour for the good purpose of building up the neighbour. ³For Christ did not please himself; but, as it is written, 'The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.' ⁴For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Luke 4.16-24

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

because he has anointed me

to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'
²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'
²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' ²³He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum."'
²⁴And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen.



A BIG "THANK YOU" FOR TAKING PART

Thank you very much to everyone who took part and a special congratulations to James Pratt who raised a total of £688.75! Well done everyone!

ALL SOULS

If you would like your loved one's name to be read aloud during the 10:30am service on 2nd November, please add it to the register on the Bishop's Table in the Abbey.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

Let us pray to God, whose Word gives life, wisdom, and hope to all people.

Loving God, we thank you for the gift of your Word, for the Bible that teaches, challenges, comforts, and inspires us. Help us to hear your voice through its pages, to read it not just with our eyes, but with open hearts. May your Word guide us as we grow in faith and love.

God of truth and mercy, in this week's Gospel we hear of the Pharisee and the tax collector. Teach us to come before you with humility, not boasting of our goodness, but trusting always in your forgiveness and grace. When we read your Word, help us not only to understand it, but to let it change us from within.

God of wisdom, we pray for your Church throughout the world, for those who translate, teach, and share the Scriptures, for preachers and teachers, and for all who open your Word to others. May the Church always be rooted in your truth and share your love with gentleness and joy.

God of justice and peace, we pray for our world, for places torn apart by conflict, inequality, and greed. May your Word of hope bring light into dark places and inspire us to act with compassion and fairness.

God of community, we pray for our families, friends, and neighbours. Help us to be patient and kind, to listen carefully to others, and to build one another up in love. As we open your Word together, may we learn to see the world through your eyes.

Loving God, we thank you for the gift of love and for the joy that Hannah Hope and Charles Portwain share as they are married. Bless them as they begin this new life together, may their love for each other be patient and kind, strong enough to face life's challenges, and gentle enough to bring comfort and peace.

God of grace, you know each of us better than we know ourselves. We bring before you those who are sick, lonely, or struggling in any way. We pray for the family and friends of Eileen Olleson who recently passed. May your healing presence bring comfort and peace.

Faithful God, we thank you for the gift of your living Word and for Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh. May his example of humility and love shape our words, our worship, and our lives.

Amen.

The Funeral Service for the late
Mrs Eileen Lorna Olleson
will be held in the Abbey on
Wednesday 5th November
at 12 noon