

SERVICES NEXT WEEK

SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER
ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

ABBEY – 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
ABBEY – 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
ABBEY – 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

Joel 2.23–32

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. ²⁴The threshing-floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. ²⁵I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. ²⁶You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. ²⁷You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. ²⁸Then afterwards I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. ²⁹Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. ³⁰I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. ³¹The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. ³²Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion

and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

2 Timothy 4.6–8, 16–18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. ¹⁶At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Luke 18.9–14

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income." ¹³But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

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.

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