

SERVICES NEXT WEEK

TUESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER

ARMISTICE DAY

LONG WITTENHAM – 10.50 AM REMEMBRANCE

SUNDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

2ND BEFORE ADVENT

ABBEY – 8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)

STADHAMPTON – 9.30 AM FAMILY EUCHARIST

LONG WITTENHAM – 9.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION

TOOT BALDON – 9.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION

DRAYTON ST LEONARD – 9.30 AM MORNING SERVICE

ABBEY – 10.30 AM FAMILY SERVICE

CLIFTON HAMPDEN – 10.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION

WARBOROUGH – 11.00 AM PARISH EUCHARIST

BERINSFIELD – 11.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION

ABBEY – 5.00 PM BEAUFORST EVENSONG

STADHAMPTON – 6.30 PM THE WELL

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

NEXT WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS

Malachi 4.1–2a

2 Thessalonians 3.6–13

Luke 21.5–19

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. Dementia friendly.

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

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SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

REMEMBRANCE 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

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

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

BIBLE READINGS

Job 19.23–27a

O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! ²⁴O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock for ever! ²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; ²⁶and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, ²⁷whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

2 Thessalonians 2.1–5, 13–17

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ²not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? ¹³But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and

through belief in the truth. ¹⁴For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. ¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Luke 20.27–38

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him ²⁸and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; ³⁰then the second ³¹and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³²Finally the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.' ³⁴Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; ³⁵but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

THE 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.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

Dear loving God,

We remember all who have lost their life because of war and conflict. We pray for those left behind in their pain and loss, will you comfort and heal. For all members of the armed forces who are in danger this day, and for the people, animals and land that are being scared by human anger. May you bring your peace.

For Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Myanmar, and all the places around the world that are at conflict. May those who are stuck in war and unable to escape know the light of your love in their lives. May you help those trying to provide safe route out and will you give compassion to nations receiving those who have been effected by war. Provide water, food, shelter and medical care. In the midst of chaos may your kingdom come.

For all who bear the burden and privilege of leadership, will you hold those with power to account and turn their hearts and minds to peace, and may we know more of your peaceful kingdom on this earth today. give them wisdom and compassion may their actions radiate your love and bring reconciliation and peace

Loving God, we thank you for the gift of love in this time and for the joy that Hayley King and Christopher Unett share as they get married this weekend. 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. And for us here today, in this conflicted world may we choose understanding, love and peace. Help us to walk with compassion and care.

Amen