



Whittlesey, Pondersbridge & Coates

Church of England Churches

## TEAM MATTERS

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We are now in the season of Autumn. The daylight hours are shortening, there is a nip in the air and we experience the occasional misty morning. The burgeoning season of summer has come to an end and nature is changing its pattern of behaviour. Birds are migrating, animals are hibernating and trees and bushes are dying in preparation for a rest period until spring. The countryside is going through a period of transformation as the leaves on the trees change from green to yellow, red, orange and brown. Autumnal colours are bright and give us that final glimpse of beauty before trees, plants and bushes take on that bare and dark appearance of winter.

Our world and lives are full of changing scenes. Whatever those changes may be there is always one thing which remains constant and that is the love of God which passes all understanding. This love is unconditional and is there for each one of us; we just need to acknowledge and accept it. We only have to look at everything around us to see God's handiwork, His awesome Creation of which we are a part.

We can get to know God and deepen our relationship with Him through His Son, Jesus, who lived on earth among the people, people like us. Through Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection God shows his love for humankind and gives us hope to face the changing scenes of our lives each day. You may like to use the words of this hymn as your daily prayer for the month:

1. Lord of all hopefulness,  
Lord of all joy,  
whose trust, ever childlike,  
no cares could destroy,  
be there at our waking,  
and give us we pray,  
your bliss in our hearts,  
Lord, at the break of the day.

2. Lord of all eagerness,  
Lord of all faith,  
whose strong hands were skilled  
at the plane and the lathe,  
be there at our labours,  
and give us, we pray,  
your strength in our hearts, Lord,  
at the noon of the day.

3. Lord, of all kindness,  
Lord of all grace,  
your hands swift to welcome,  
your arms to embrace,  
be there at our homing,  
and give us, we pray,  
your love in our hearts, Lord,  
at the eve of the day.

4. Lord of all gentleness,  
Lord of all calm,  
whose voice is contentment,  
whose presence is balm,  
be there at our sleeping,  
and give us, we pray,  
your peace in our hearts, Lord,  
at the end of the day.  
(Jan Struther 1901-1953)

With every blessing

**Gill and Nigel**

**Full details of Sundays and other services inside.**

**You are welcome to join us at our services.**

**Please note that changes to the normal pattern of services are in BOLD type.**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Festival**

8.00 a.m. St Andrew's	- BCP Said Holy Communion
9.30 a.m. St Andrew's	- <b>Morning Service</b>
9.30 a.m. Holy Trinity	- Morning Service
11.00 a.m. St Mary's	- Morning Service
11.00 a.m. St Thomas'	- <b>Morning Service</b>

**Readings:** Joel 2: 21-27  
1 Timothy 2: 1-7  
Matthew 6: 25-33

**Anniversaries of Death:**

**Holy Trinity:** 9<sup>th</sup> Kath Blunt

**St Andrew's:** 5<sup>th</sup> Roland Jack Hull, David Reginald Dickinson,  
6<sup>th</sup> Richard Dennis Phillips, Jean Beatrice Mullis, Arthur William Green,  
7<sup>th</sup> Jesse John Kisby, 9<sup>th</sup> Eva May Flatt

**St Mary's:** 5<sup>th</sup> Herbert Cecil Wright, 6<sup>th</sup> Anthony 'Tony' Chapman,  
7<sup>th</sup> Lynne Sarah Porteous, 10<sup>th</sup> Reginald Foster

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

9.30 a.m. St Andrew's	- <b>Morning Service</b>
9.30 a.m. Holy Trinity	- Holy Communion
11.00 a.m. St Mary's	- Holy Communion
11.00 a.m. St Thomas'	- Morning Service
3.00 p.m. St Mary's	- Civic Service

**Readings:** Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15  
Hebrews 4: 12 - 16  
Mark 10: 17-31

**Anniversaries of Death:**

**St Mary's:** 11<sup>th</sup> Ethel May Gilbert, 13<sup>th</sup> Olive Evelyn Wright, 15<sup>th</sup> Phyllis Garner,  
16<sup>th</sup> Agnes Mary Longstaff, 17<sup>th</sup> John Gallacher

**St Thomas':** 14<sup>th</sup> Kathleen Mabel Dean

## **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Feast of St Luke**

8.00 a.m. St Andrew's	- BCP Said Holy Communion
9.30 a.m. St Andrew's	- <b>Holy Communion</b>
9.30 a.m. Holy Trinity	- Holy Communion
11.00 a.m. St Mary's	- Holy Communion
3.00 p.m. St Thomas'	- Pet Service

<b>Readings:</b>	Isaiah 35: 3-6
	2 Timothy 4: 5-17
	Luke 10: 1-9

### **Anniversaries of Death:**

**Holy Trinity:** 20<sup>th</sup> Phyllis Josephine Wheatley, 21<sup>st</sup> Rachael Stevenson,  
23<sup>rd</sup> Ada Louisa Boon

**St Andrew's:** 19<sup>th</sup> Annie Brittan, Daisy Julia Redding,  
21<sup>st</sup> Richard John Dickinson

**St Mary's:** 18<sup>th</sup> Vera Stafford, 20<sup>th</sup> Edith Rose Mary Hudson,  
23<sup>rd</sup> Thomas Gale

**St Thomas':** 23<sup>rd</sup> Jack Lines, 24<sup>th</sup> Joyce Ellen Youde

## **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Last Sunday after Trinity - Bible Sunday**

9.30 a.m. St Andrew's	- Holy Communion
9.30 a.m. Holy Trinity	- Holy Communion
11.00 a.m. St Mary's	- Holy Communion
6.00 p.m. St Thomas'	- Evening Service

<b>Readings:</b>	Isaiah 55: 1-11
	2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:5
	John 5: 35-47

### **Anniversaries of Death:**

**Holy Trinity:** 29<sup>th</sup> George Edward King, 31<sup>st</sup> Bernard Cook

**St Andrew's:** 26<sup>th</sup> Harold Kewish, 28<sup>th</sup> Gladys May Kisby,  
30<sup>th</sup> Emily Jane (Cis) Oldfield

**St Mary's:** 27<sup>th</sup> Irene Goodwin, 28<sup>th</sup> Maurice English, 29<sup>th</sup> Pauline Betsy Gray

**St Thomas':** 28<sup>th</sup> Thomas Bartholomew Edwards, 31<sup>st</sup> James Edward Wade

## Events around the Team in October:

- 1<sup>st</sup> 9.45 a.m. Coates School Assembly
- 11.00 a.m. Harvest Service at the Elms
- 1<sup>st</sup> 1.00p.m. New Road Schools Assembly
- 1<sup>st</sup> 1.45 p.m. Alderman Jacob's Year 2 visit to St Mary's
- 4<sup>th</sup> 11.00 a.m. Friends of Holy Trinity Ramble & Treasure Hunt
- 5<sup>th</sup> 7.30 p.m. Churchwardens' and Treasurers' meeting at The Rectory
- 5<sup>th</sup> 7.30 p.m. Study Group at Shirley Skeets at 2/52 Eastrea Road
- 6<sup>th</sup> 7.30 Pilgrim Faith Group at 212 Ramsey Road, Pondersbridge
- 7<sup>th</sup> 10.00 a.m. Pilgrim Faith Group at 11, North Green, Coates or in Church – see pew sheet
- 8<sup>th</sup> 11.45 a.m. and 1.10 p.m. Assemblies at Alderman Jacobs School
- 8<sup>th</sup> 1.45 p.m. Alderman Jacob's Year 2 visit to St Mary's
- 10<sup>th</sup> 9.30 a.m. – 12 noon Friends of Holy Trinity Book Sale in church
- 17<sup>th</sup> 9.00 a.m. to Noon Plant Sale, Church clean and Garden Tidy at St Mary's
- 20<sup>th</sup> Coates School Harvest Assembly in Church
- 22<sup>nd</sup> 7.30 p.m. Pilgrim Prayer Group at 8 The Grove
- 26<sup>th</sup> 7.30 p.m. Study Group in Palmers Close Community Hall
- 27<sup>th</sup> 2.00 p.m. University of the Third Age (U3A) visit to St Mary's

## Regular Weekday Services:

- Monday:** 8.00am Morning Prayer at St Mary's
- Tuesday:** 9.15am Holy Communion at St Andrew's
- Wednesday:** 9.15am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity
- Thursday:** 9.15am Holy Communion at St Mary's
- Friday:** 8.00am Morning Prayer at St Andrew's,  
12 noon Midday Prayer at St Mary's

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