



Whittlesey, Pondersbridge & Coates

Church of England Churches

**TEAM MATTERS**



**November 2016**

**Visit our website: [www.wpcteam.org.uk](http://www.wpcteam.org.uk)**

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

**150 years of the Office of Reader**

**1866 to 2016 and beyond**

**Licenced Lay Ministers**

**The Role of a Reader**

Readers are lay men and women, from a wide diversity of occupations and backgrounds, who recognize a call to serve God and his world through the Church of England. They work in a variety of roles and situations across the Church, being authorised by the Church of England to preach and teach, to conduct or assist in conducting worship, and to assist in the pastoral, evangelistic and liturgical work of the Church in the parish or area where they are licensed. As well as their formal roles Readers have many informal ways of ministering by their presence, witness and listening at their places of work, at home, among the neighbours and in their local communities. They are informed lay people living out their faith in their different walks of life.

**2 The Duties of a Reader**

Readers may:

- Preach
- Lead worship, except those services and parts of services specifically excluded by Canon
- Read the Old or New Testament readings, Epistle or Gospel at any service
- Lead intercessions
- Receive and present the offerings of the people
- Distribute the consecrated bread and wine to the people
- Take Communion to the sick and housebound
- Publish bans of marriage in the absence of a priest
- Undertake pastoral and educational work
- Assist any minister as the bishop may direct

With permission from the incumbent of the parish, Readers may:

- Accept occasional invitations to take part in services in a church of another denomination

With permission from the Bishop, Readers may:

- Officiate at Communion by Extension services
- Officiate at Funeral services (with the good will of the persons responsible)
- Accept regular invitations to take part in services in a church of another denomination, with the approval also of the PCC of the parish where the service is to take place.

Readers may NOT:

- ☒ Officiate at the sacrament of baptism, except in an emergency situation when it is lawful for any lay person to baptise
- ☒ Officiate at a marriage service
- ☒ Pronounce the Absolution or give a Blessing but should use an authorised alternative form of words.

### **3 Licensing and Relicensing**

All Readers in active ministry under the age of 70 must hold a bishop's licence, which:

- ☒ Authorises the Reader to minister in their own diocese
- ☒ Should indicate the area in which they may minister and the duties they are permitted to perform.
- ☒ Should be renewed periodically, normally every three or five years

All Readers in active ministry over the age of 70 must hold the bishop's Permission to Officiate, which:

- ☒ Authorises the Reader to minister in their own diocese
- ☒ Should indicate the area in which they may minister and the duties they are permitted to perform.
- ☒ Should be for a limited period, subject to renewal, normally annually

Readers who have retired from active ministry may be given the title Reader Emeritus.

**Please keep in your prayers our Readers John, Roger and John and all who serve in this ministry in the Church.**

**God our Father, we thank you that through your Son you have called us into the fellowship of your universal Church. Hear our thanksgiving for 150 years of Reader ministry, pioneering new opportunities for mission, teaching the faith and bringing God into the conversation: grant that all your people may be instruments of your love, and grow in grace, holiness and faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Information copied from the Readers website. <http://readers.cofe.anglican.org>**

**With every blessing  
Nigel**

#### **Regular Weekday Services:**

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| <b>Monday:</b>    | 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St Mary's  |
| <b>Tuesday:</b>   | 9.15 a.m. Holy Communion at St Andrew's  |
| <b>Wednesday:</b> | 9.15 a.m. Holy Communion at Holy Trinity                                       |
| <b>Thursday:</b>  | 9.15 a.m. Holy Communion at St Mary's  |
| <b>Friday:</b>    | 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St Andrew's,<br>12 noon Midday Prayer at St Mary's |

### **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Advent - Red**

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| 8.00 a.m. St Andrew's  | - BCP Said Holy Communion         |
| 9.30 a.m. St Andrew's  | - Holy Communion                  |
| 9.30 a.m. Holy Trinity | - Morning Service                 |
| 11.00 a.m. St Mary's   | - Morning Service                 |
| 11.00 a.m. St Thomas'  | - Holy Communion                  |
| 3.00 p.m. St Andrew's  | - Annual Service for the Bereaved |

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| <b>Readings:</b> | Job 19: 23-27a                    |
|                  | 2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13 to end |
|                  | Luke 20: 27-38                    |

#### **Anniversaries of Death:**

**Holy Trinity:** 9<sup>th</sup> Ada Chester, 12<sup>th</sup> Mary Ann Douse,

**St Andrew's:** 6<sup>th</sup> Jack Barnes, Harry Speechley, 7<sup>th</sup> Ada Anderson, 8<sup>th</sup> Hannah Paghett, 9<sup>th</sup> Dora Edith Wilsoncroft, 11<sup>th</sup> John William Barnes, 12<sup>th</sup> Charles Edward Newman

**St Mary's:** 6<sup>th</sup> Douglas James Coulson, 12<sup>th</sup> William Boon,

**St Thomas':** 9<sup>th</sup> William Neville Lant

### **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent and Remembrance Sunday - Red**

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| 9.30 a.m. St Andrew's              | - Holy Communion with Act of Remembrance  |
| 10.45 a.m. Coates War Memorial     | - Act of Remembrance, followed by:<br>- Civic Service in Holy Trinity Church<br>- Afterwards Turves War Memorial - Act of Remembrance |
| No morning service at St Mary's    |   |
| 11.00 a.m. St Thomas'              | - Morning Service with Act of Remembrance   |
| 12.15pm Eastrea War Memorial       | - Act of Remembrance  |
| 2.30 p.m. Whittlesey Town Memorial | - Service of Remembrance  |
| 3.00p.m. St Mary's                 | - Civic Service   |

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| <b>Readings:</b> | Malachi 4: 1-2a         |
|                  | 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13 |
|                  | Luke 21: 5-19           |

(Except Holy Trinity: Their service is the Civic Service of Remembrance which has a service booklet)

#### **Anniversaries of Death:**

**Holy Trinity:** 16<sup>th</sup> Sidney James Dolby, 18<sup>th</sup> Charles John Bagnall

**St Mary's:** 13<sup>th</sup> Pamela Hailstone

**St Thomas':** 13<sup>th</sup> Percy Thomas Everett, 14<sup>th</sup> Herbert Savage

### **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November – Christ The King - Red**

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| 9.30 a.m. St Andrew's  | - Morning Service (please note change of service) |
| 9.30 a.m. Holy Trinity | - Holy Communion (please note change of service)  |
| 11.00 a.m. St Mary's   | - Holy Communion                                  |
| 6.00 p.m. St Thomas'   | - Holy Communion followed by PCC                  |

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| <b>Readings:</b> | Jeremiah 23: 1-6    |
|                  | Colossians 1: 11-20 |
|                  | Luke 23: 33-43      |

#### **Anniversaries of Death:**

**Holy Trinity:** 26<sup>th</sup> Anthony Bates

**St Andrew's:** 20<sup>th</sup> Kathleen Turner, 21<sup>st</sup> Diana Harding, 23<sup>rd</sup> Joyce Florrie Teat, 24<sup>th</sup> Mabel May Speechley, Robert Henry Bennett,

**St Mary's:** 20<sup>th</sup> Maud Mary Wills

## **Saturday 27th November – First Sunday in Advent and Feast of St Andrew - Purple**

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| 9.15 a.m. St Andrew's  | - Holy Communion (please note change of service)  |
| 9.30 a.m. Holy Trinity | - Morning Service (please note change of service) |
| 11.00 a.m. St Mary's   | - Holy Communion                                  |
| 6.00 p.m. St Thomas'   | - Evening Service                                 |

**Readings:** Isaiah 2: 1-5  
Romans 13: 11 - end  
Matthew 24: 36-44

### **Anniversaries of Death:**

**St Andrew's:** 27<sup>th</sup> Daniel Crawford Logan, 28<sup>th</sup> Wilfred Norfield,  
29<sup>th</sup> Leslie S C Flatt, 30<sup>th</sup> John Cyril Duddington

**St Mary's:** 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. John Donald Gray

### **Events around the Team in November:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> 7.30 p.m. Pilgrim Study group at 212 Ramsey Road, Pondersbridge.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Children in Need sponsored walk November starting from Burghley House Stamford. Ring Jenny and John Walpole 840301 for a sponsor form and further details.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 7.30 p.m. Deanery Synod at St Thomas'
- 10<sup>th</sup> 10.20 a.m. Alderman Jacob's School Assembly Key Stage One
- 11<sup>th</sup> **11.00 a.m. Act of Remembrance at Whittlesey War Memorial**
- 11<sup>th</sup> **11.00 a.m. Act of Remembrance at Coates War Memorial**
- 15<sup>th</sup> 7.30 p.m. Churches Together at Queen Street
- 17<sup>th</sup> 10.20 a.m. Alderman Jacob's School Assembly Key Stage Two
- 17<sup>th</sup> 6.00 p.m. Ministry Team meeting at the Rectory
- 19<sup>th</sup> 1.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Friends of St Andrew's Musical Christmas Fayre.  
Request for donations of raffle prizes for 19<sup>th</sup> November. We are looking for bottles of wine, Prosecco, chocolates, biscuits type of prizes please. Please bring to church or contact Cheryl – 359450 or committee members of the Friends.
- 19<sup>th</sup> 6.00 p.m. Friends of St Andrew's Family Bingo. If anyone could help with this event please contact Cheryl – 359450 or Revd Nigel 203676.
- 20<sup>th</sup> 6.00 p.m. St Thomas' Holy Communion followed by PCC
- 22<sup>nd</sup> 7.30 p.m. St Mary's PCC at the Rectory
- 23<sup>rd</sup> 7.30 p.m. Holy Trinity PCC at the Rectory
- 25<sup>th</sup> Deanery Clergy Chapter at St Peter's March
- 26<sup>th</sup> 2.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. Messy Church at Holy Trinity
- 28<sup>th</sup> 7.00 p.m. Friends of St Andrew's Committee at the Rectory
- 29<sup>th</sup> 10.15 a.m. Park Lane School Assembly
- 29<sup>th</sup> 1.30 p.m. St Andrew's PCC in the hall. (Please note change of date and venue from 22<sup>nd</sup>.)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 9.45 a.m. Coates School Assembly. (No 9.15 a.m. Holy Communion at St Mary's)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 2.55 p.m. New Road School Assembly
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon St Thomas' Christmas Fete.
- 4<sup>th</sup> New Gift/New Toy Sunday. - Please leave your gifts unwrapped.  
This will enable staff to deliver your gift to a suitable child or adult. Many thanks.  
The destination for the gifts will be confirmed on the Pew sheet.

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