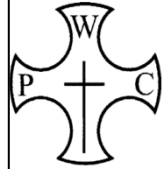




Whittlesey, Pondersbridge & Coates
Church of England Churches
TEAM MATTERS



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The Parish Church and Baptism

The following words are taken from the introduction of the Church of England's service of baptism:-

Baptism marks the beginning of a journey with God which continues for the rest of our lives, the first step in response to God's love. For all involved it is a joyful moment when we rejoice in what God has done for us in Christ, making serious promises and declaring the faith. The wider community of the local church and friends welcome the new Christian, promising support and prayer for the future. Hearing and doing these things provides an opportunity to remember our own baptism and reflect on the progress made on that journey, which is now to be shared with this new member of the Church.

The service paints many vivid pictures of what happens on the Christian way. There is the sign of the cross, the badge of faith in the Christian journey, which reminds us of Christ's death for us. Through the water of baptism we believe we die to sin and are raised to new life, and we are united to Christ's dying and rising. Water is also a sign of new life, as we are born again by water and the Spirit. This reminds us of Jesus' baptism. And as a sign of that new life, there is a lighted candle, a symbol of the light of Christ conquering the darkness of evil. Everyone who is baptized walks in that light for the rest of their lives.

We pray for all who are baptised that there may be a renewal of faith and commitment to God. Please reflect on your own experience of Baptism – your daily journey in faith.

God bless you all. Revd Nigel

**Full details of Sundays and other services inside.
You are welcome to join us at our services:**

Regular Weekday Services:

Monday:	8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St Mary's
Tuesday:	9.15 a.m. Holy Communion at St Andrew's
Wednesday:	9.15 a.m. Holy Communion at Holy Trinity
Thursday:	9.15 a.m. Holy Communion at St Mary's
Friday:	8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St Andrew's, 12 noon Middy Prayer at St Mary's

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Sunday 3rd September – Trinity 12 - Green

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

First reading Jeremiah 15: 15-21
Second reading Romans 12: 9-end
Gospel Matthew 16: 21-end

Anniversaries:

St Thomas' 4th Jane Margaret Wade, 5th Eileen Wilmer

Holy Trinity 6th Lillian Newman, 7th George Herbert Fletcher

St Andrew's 3rd Theophilus Wesley Bingham, 4th Frederick Miles Oldfield,
5th Daisy Vincent M Butcher, Hilda Mary Stafford, 6th Francis Edward Redhead,
7th John Gray, 8th Bertha Maria Harris

St Mary's 5th Arthur Merrill, 7th Cedric Theodore Nottingham

Sunday 10th September - Trinity 13– Green – Whittlesey Festival

9.30 a.m. St Andrew's - Morning Service
9.30 a.m. Holy Trinity - Said Holy Communion
10.30 a.m. St Mary's - Open Air Festival Service (please note different time)
No service at St Thomas'

First reading Ezekiel 33: 7 - 11
Second reading Romans 13: 8 - end
Gospel Matthew 18: 15 -20

Anniversaries:

Holy Trinity 10th Ken Blunt, 12th Pamela Jean Mundy

St Andrew's 11th Joseph Clarke Harrison

St Mary's 11th Mary Palmer

Sunday 17th September – Trinity 14 - Green

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

First reading Genesis 50: 15-21
Second reading Romans 14: 1-12
Gospel Matthew 18: 21-35

Anniversaries:

St Thomas' 23rd George Edward Dean

St Andrew's 18th Arthur Herbert Neal, 19th Alfred Henry Wyatt

St Mary's 18th Charles Kenneth Edwards, Harry Garner, 19th Bertram Harry Bull,
Alfred Henry Wyatt, 20th John Keith Gill, 21st Charles Frederick Wright,
23rd James Arthur Barrs

Sunday 24th September - Trinity 15 – Green

9.30 a.m. St Andrew's - Morning Service
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

First reading Jonah 3: 10 to 4: end
Second reading Philippians 1: 21-end
Gospel Matthew 20: 1-16

Anniversaries:

Holy Trinity 26th John Ernest Walter Weldon, 29th Thomas Ralph Butcher,
30th Irene Joan Jackson, 30th George William Henry Ping, 30th Doris Ada Lowe
St Andrew's 24th Arthur Henry Johnson, 25th Norah Joyce Koutson,
26th David William Green, 29th Francis Harold Newman
St Mary's 25th Arthur Edey, 26th Lorna Josephine Nicholas, James William Nicholas

Sunday 1st October – Harvest Festival – Green

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

First reading Deuteronomy 26: 1-11
Second reading Revelation 14: 14-18
Gospel John 6: 25-35

Anniversaries:

Holy Trinity 2nd Doris May Jackson
St Andrew's 1st Lorna Joan Spires, 2nd Olive Francis Turner, Ruth Mabel Dickinson,
5th Roland Jack Hull, Reginald Peter Holding, David Reginald Dickinson,
6th Richard Dennis Phillips, Jean Beatrice Mullis, Arthur William Green,
7th Jesse John Kisby
St Mary's 1st Greta Prokopczuk, 5th Herbert Cecil Wright, 6th Anthony 'Tony' Chapman,
7th Lynne Sarah Porteous

Around the Team in September:

- 2nd 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon Friends of Holy Trinity Booksale in the church**
- 3rd 3.00 p.m. Coates W.I. Bar-be-que at Holy Trinity Church**
- 5th 7.30 p.m. Pilgrim Group at 212 Ramsey Road Pondersbridge**
- 6th 12.30 p.m. Ministers lunch at The Falcon**
- 6th 7.30 p.m. Meeting in Ely - Missional Church Project**
- 7th 6.00 p.m. Team Ministers meeting at the Rectory**
- 9th Team trip to Oxford. Pick up at Coates at 7.45am then Whittlesey at 8.00am. The coach must leave Oxford at 5.00pm so everyone should be back on-board for 4.50, the reason being that a slot has to be booked for the pick-up area. Any questions please contact Paul Turner or Carol Turner on 844497**
- 9th Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust. Roger Brown will be undertaking a cycle ride today for the Trust and is asking for your sponsorship. Forms are available in church. Many thanks.**
- 10th Whittlesey Festival – please note the Open Air Service outside St Mary’s starts at 10.30 a.m.**
- 11th 7.30 p.m. Study Group at 40, Bellmans Road**
- 12th 7.00 p.m. Friends of St Mary’s Committee meeting at 76, Station Road**
- 13th 7.30 p.m. Team Council meeting at Holy Trinity with Canon Mike Booker**
- 19th 7.00 p.m. Deanery Synod at St Georges, Littleport.**
- 19th 7.00 p.m. Churches Together Committee at Queen Street Church**
- 23rd 6pm for 6.30pm Family Prize bingo in St Andrew’s Hall**
- 24th St Thomas’ PCC after 6.00 p.m. Evening Service**
- 25th 7.30 p.m. Study Group at 40, Bellmans Road**
- 26th 3.00 p.m. Harvest Praise at Keneydon House**
- 27th 2.30 p.m. Harvest Praise at Keneydon House**
- 27th 7.30 p.m. Holy Trinity PCC in church**
- 28th 7.30 p.m. St Mary’s PCC in church**
- 30th 2.00 p.m. Messy Church in Holy Trinity**
- 30th 7pm for 7.30pm Ceilidh in St Andrew’s Hall - £15 per ticket available from Cheryl Jakes and from church**

October 1st Harvest Festival Services in church.