

Collect for Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PRAYER POINTS:

- For CMS Uganda and for Kate Quarrell as she considers her future role.
- For all school children and their teachers, that they may return to school refreshed after the holiday. Also, for all children sitting the Eleven Plus this week, that it may not be too stressful a time for them.
- For John Barter and Susanne Griffiths, married yesterday at St Mary's.
- For world leaders, that they may deal with the nuclear crisis in North Korea intelligently and wisely.
- For David Lidington as he faces the challenges of his role in the Cabinet.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE IN IMMEDIATE NEED OF HEALING AND PEACE:

Corris Keen, Richard Sherman, Sally and Norman Edwards, Karen Lawrence, Philippa King, Chris and Sally Greeno, Kelly May, Gordon Plumridge, Joyce Bapty, Richard Heaney, Michael Hopkins, and the frail, elderly and bereaved in our church family.

WE HAVE ALSO BEEN ASKED TO PRAY FOR:

Kate Quarrell, Suzanne Ackford, Laura Huidekoper, Barbara Higgins, Mary Jefferies, Alex Chauhan, Rachael, Danu Fox, Keith & Judy Brambleby, Barbara Platts, Sarah, Anne and Tony Eccleston, Jennie Lunn, Tony Mead, Hannah and Sherman.

WE REMEMBER WITH THANKSGIVING THE LIVES OF:

Geoffrey Clarke, William Reynolds, Pamela Williamson, Norman Warren, Glynis Gomme, Elizabeth Chubb and Norman Croxson

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News

Sunday 10th September 2017, Thirteenth after Trinity

Dear Friends

Being sent out by Jesus

In today's Bible passages we come across apostles – 'ones sent with a special commission'. Apostles were Jesus' appointed representatives - there can't be a more important or special commission than being sent out by Jesus to represent him.

Our Gospel reading lists the twelve favoured disciples whom Jesus designated 'Apostles'. In our other reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we find Paul being sent by God to take the good news or message to the Gentiles. An alternative biblical definition of 'apostle' is 'messenger'.

The disciples had spent some time getting to know Jesus, following him and learning from him. There were many disciples in Jesus' entourage but not all were ready to be sent out to do his work. Either way, we read that Jesus selected just twelve and he sent them out into the world to represent Jesus and to pass on the message of his life, death and resurrection to those who hadn't yet heard or received the good news.

The apostles' commission is not an easy one but Jesus is the Good Shepherd and though it may seem that he is sending his people out as lambs among wolves, he is always the Good Shepherd and he sends his Spirit with them as guide and comforter.

Jesus never said it would be easy, but ... if we go out in faith to do this work for the Shepherd, then we can trust the Lord of the Harvest to bless our efforts, to bless us and, more importantly, to bless others through us. We receive so many blessings from our loving Father that we cannot keep them all to ourselves – we must share them and the good news with those with whom we share our lives.

Are you ready to say, 'Lord, here am I, send me.'?

Peter Cline

NEWS & NOTICES

PRAYER WEEKEND: 29 – 30th SEPTEMBER: As part of this weekend, there will be a prayer course on Sat Sept 30th from 9.30 - 1 pm. It will cover such topics as listening prayer/ Christian contemplation/ praying through struggles and Intercessions; including thanksgiving prayer. All welcome. Please sign the list in church if you wish to come by Sun 17th Sept or contact me on: averilstephenson49@gmail.com.

HARVEST FESTIVAL: This will be a bring and share lunch on 1st October and will follow TGIS. Children and families welcome and we will be fund raising for Uganda.

DISCIPLESHIP COURSE: Jesus the Game Changer Pt 2. This starts again on Weds 4th Oct for 5 weeks in the Chapter House. The evening starts at 7.30pm with a meal, then a video and discussion. Each evening stands alone so you can come to as many evenings as you like. For more info contact Dan on revdbeesley@gmail.com.

MERCY SHIPS EVENT ON 13TH OCT: This event is nearly sold out. If you would still like a ticket please contact June or Ken Brazier on PR 347027 to see if any are available.

CARERS SUPPORT GROUP: 'I am wondering - if like me, you are looking after or supporting ill or elderly people would you be interested in meeting together to Share and Pray. To sustain and uplift us in difficult circumstances. Time and frequency to suit us'. Please contact Surinder - sk.marshall@btinternet.com.

AYLESBURY OPERA: will be performing 'Acis and Galatea' by Handel at St Mary's on Saturday October 7th at 7.30pm. The orchestra will be led by Kevin Kim. Tickets are £10 either on the door or in advance from Philip Hayes on 07725 868092

PRISON HOPE: On Sat 14th October (2-5pm) there will be an afternoon of speakers, speaking about putting faith in action in our prisons and helping ex- offenders on release. For more information please contact sue@broughtonchurch.org or to register go to prisonhope.eventbrite.co.uk.

CLEANING VACANCY: St Mary's Church Hall has a vacancy for a cleaner to start immediately. This is a paid post. (£35 for 2.5 hours per week on Sunday afternoon/evening). For more details please phone Joy Woodward on (01844) 342202 or Bill Nicholson on (01844) 343369, or 0779 1097773. Thank you.

PUPPET CLUB: is back on wed 20th Sept. 7-9pm in the church hall. If you would like to join us for a really fun and enjoyable evening please come - anyone over 8 yrs old is welcome. We would love to see you. We will be rehearsing for presentations for harvest, and at another church on Nov 5th. Ask Hazel, Vicky, Mark, Rich, Garth, Peter, or Robyn for more information.

ONE CAN TRUST: Needed this week: soup, fruit, jam, tinned potatoes and veg.

This Sunday 10th September 2017, Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sermon Series: Prayer

Readings: Acts 22:17-21, Luke 6: 12-16

- 8.00am** Holy Communion at St Mary's
9.30am Parish Communion at St Mary's followed by coffee
11.15am TGIS
3.00pm Time to Remember Service at St Mary's
3.00pm Service at Icknield Court
6.00pm United Service at the Methodist Church (Richard Allwood's last sermon at these services before he leaves Risborough)
6.00pm Pulse in the Chapter House

What's on in the week beginning Monday 11th September

- Mon 11th** **3.00pm** Bereavement 'Drop-In' at the Chapter House
Wed 13th **9.00am** Wednesday Prayers at St Mary's
10.30am Holy Communion with coffee (in Chapter House)
Thurs 14th **10.30am** Coffee in the Chapter House
Fri 15th **2.00pm** Nursery Service

Next Sunday 17th September 2017, Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sermon Series: Prayer

Readings: Acts 13:1-12, Luke 4: 42-44

- 8.00am** Holy Communion at St Mary's
9.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's, Ilmer
9.30am Parish Communion at St Mary's followed by coffee
11.15am TGIS
6.00pm Choral Evensong at St Mary's
6.00pm Later at the Methodist Church

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