

Collect for Trinity Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

PRAYER POINTS:

- For the Children's Society
- For those attending the Summer Discipleship course.
- For our Government as they seek to find a new leader and a way forward.
- For all doctors, nurses, paramedics and medical staff.
- For all school children facing exams this month.

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

Erica and family, Emma, Chris, John Hardy, Mary Kent, Sue List, Tony Eccleston, Alan and Iris Austin, Oliver Baillie, Gladys Page, Suzie Aries, Michael Hopkins, Kelly May, Gordon & Kathleen Plumridge, Joyce Bapty, Richard Heaney, Alex Lake, Philip & Sally Jones, Shirley and Eric Watts, Barbara Higgins, Liz Lister and Simon Clegg.

WE HAVE ALSO BEEN ASKED TO PRAY FOR:

Lisa and Russell Squire, Peter Covell, Gideon, Mary Jefferies, Keith & Judy Brambleby, Barbara Platts, Tony Mead, Hazel Boon, Michael George, Helena Oecken, Jean Moses, Annie, Bill and Marge Philips, Shirley and Don Kemp and Jean Coleman.

WE REMEMBER WITH THANKSGIVING THE LIFE OF:

David Killoh, Derrick Woodhouse and Kenneth Fischer.

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News

Sunday June 16th 2019, Trinity Sunday

Dear Friends

This Sunday is Trinity Sunday when we celebrate the 'Three-in-One yet Oneness' of God. But what do we really understand by the Trinity?

What the church calls the doctrine of the Trinity tells us that God is a community. Three persons - Father, Son and Spirit, but one in essence - who are defined by their loving relationship with one another. God is a society within himself.

A community of loving people is God's signature. This is why the experience of authentic community as part of God's family is so life-giving.

The essence of the Trinity is that the three 'persons' are a community of mutual love and encouragement, expressing the dynamic joy at the heart of God. The Trinity is a way of doing justice to the experience of Christians that they encounter God in different ways - in the creative love of the Father, the saving friendship of the Son, and the sustaining energy of the Spirit. Friendship with God means the Father is my hope, the Son is my refuge and the Holy Spirit is my protection.

When we pray, we sit at the table of the Trinity: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit - we have a share in the joy and the love that they exchange with each other, we become part of the family of God. For the Father, Son and Spirit it is always about love, relationship, and sharing life.

The Holy Trinity is no created being. There was never a time when the Father was alone without the Son and the Spirit. Long before the foundations of the world, the character of God was in place. Whether we believe or not, whether we are good or not, whether we ever do one thing right or not, the character of the triune God remains what it is, and always has been, and always will be - love. From all eternity the triune God is love, and the Father, Son and Spirit relate to us out of their own relating to one another. They love us with their love. There is no other way of being for the triune God.

However much we try to really understand him, God will always be beyond our understanding and all language about God is therefore bound to be metaphorical - and inadequate.

Peter Cline

NEWS & NOTICES.

SUMMER DISCIPLESHIP COURSE: This continues on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm. It is entitled 'The Long Road to Heaven' and will start with a meal. There are a few spaces left if you would like to join in, just let David know.

PRAYER MINISTRY TRAINING: There will be an introductory training course for this on Tuesday 25th June from 2-5.30pm in the Chapter House, entitled 'The God who Heals'. Anyone interested in learning more about this would be most welcome to attend. Please contact Averil Stephenson at averilstephenson49@gmail.com.

PRAYER EVENING: On 28th June there will be a prayer evening at 7.30pm at Church. This provides a time of peace and prayer, away from the pressure of daily life. For more details contact Jo Williams.

RAPE CRISIS COFFEE MORNING: There will be a Rape Crisis coffee morning on Sat June 22nd from 10am to 12 noon in the Chapter House. Do come along to support this very worthwhile charity.

ST JOHN'S SUMMER FETE: On Saturday 22nd June from 12-4pm there will be a summer fete in the vicarage garden, Church Lane, Lacey Green. There will be a BBQ, a live band, lots of stalls, afternoon strawberry cream tea, a raffle, tombola and games. So do come along for a lovely summer afternoon.

PAT KERR'S FIRST SUNDAY: Our new curate, Pat Kerr, will be starting on 30th June. Please come along and welcome him and his family, he will be introducing himself at the 9.30 and TGIS services.

PRINCES RISBOROUGH CHORAL SOCIETY: will be holding their summer concert at Longwick village Hall from Thursday 27th to Sat 29th June. This will be a concert version of Fiddler on the Roof. Tickets (£15) from The PR Cook Shop, Art and Office and the Library Information Centre. Finger buffet included. See PR Choral Society website for details.

ORDINATIONS: Yvonne's ordination will be on Saturday 29th June at 2pm at Christchurch Cathedral, Oxford. Anyone who would like to support her would be very welcome. Pat Kerr's will be at 6pm on the same day.

LIGHTHOUSE DONATIONS: Lighthouse has in the last few years recommended a donation of £13 per child per day. Not all families can afford this and costs are increasing. If you would like to make a donation to Lighthouse, you can find out how on the donate page of the PR Lighthouse website. A regular contribution of £5-£6 a month will fund a child's week at Lighthouse. Thank you.

Sunday 16th June, Trinity Sunday

Readings: Romans 5, 1-5, John 16, 12-15

8.00am	Holy Communion at St Mary's
9.00am	Holy Communion at St Peter's, Ilmer
9.30am	Parish Communion followed by coffee
11.15am	TGIS

What's on in the week beginning Monday 17th June

Weds 19th	9.00am	Wednesday Prayers in St Mary's
	10.30am	Holy Communion followed by coffee
	7.30pm	Summer Discipleship Course
Thurs 20th	10.30am	Coffee in the Chapter House
Fri 21st	2.00pm	Praise and Play
	7.00pm	Puppet Club
Sat 22nd	10am-12	Rape Crisis coffee morning in Chapter House

Sunday 23rd June, First Sunday after Trinity

Readings: 1 Kings 19; 1-7, Luke 8;26-39

8.00am	Holy Communion at St Mary's
9.30am	Parish Communion followed by coffee
11.15am	TGIS with Breaking of Bread

PRINCES RISBOROUGH TOWN FESTIVAL (29TH JUNE-6TH JULY): As part of the festival, there will be lunchtime concerts performed by local primary schools and the Princes Centre at St Mary's in the week beginning 1st July. St Mary's also has an open evening on Fri 5th July. Details of events to follow.

Rector: Revd. David Williams 346984

Associate Minister: Revd. Michael Hunt 344150; ;

Assistant Clergy: Revds. David & Nancy Wallace 290670;
Revds. Steve & Rose Williams 274225; Canon Nick Molony 273895;
Revd. Jenny Deverill 274269; **LLM:** Averil Stephenson 343649

Churchwardens: David Stephenson and Bryan Matthew