



Sunday 17 June 2018: The Third after Trinity

TODAY'S SERVICES:

8:00am	Eucharist	Fr Simon Vivian
9:30am	Sung Eucharist	Pr Fr Simon Vivian
4:00pm	The Sunday Service	
6:00pm	Evening Prayer	Lex Bradley-Stow

Hymns: 466; 353; 342 (tune i); 235

First Reading, read by David Northcott

Thus says the Lord God:
I myself will take a sprig from the
lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out.
I will break off a tender one from the
topmost of its young twigs;
I myself will plant it on a high and
lofty mountain.
On the mountain height of Israel I
will plant it, in order that it may
produce boughs and bear fruit, and
become a noble cedar.

Ezekiel 17:22-24

Under it every kind of bird will live;
in the shade of its branches will
nest winged creatures of every kind.
All the trees of the field shall
know that I am the Lord.
I bring low the high tree, I make high
the low tree; I dry up the green
tree and make the dry tree flourish.
I the Lord have spoken; I will
accomplish it.

Psalm 92



It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to tell of your love early in the morning and your faithfulness in the night-time, upon the ten-stringed instrument, upon the harp, and to the melody of the lyre. **Response: It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord.**

For you, Lord, have made me glad by your acts, and I sing aloud at the works of your hands. O Lord, how glorious are your works! Your thoughts are very deep. **Response**

The senseless do not know, nor do fools understand, that though the wicked sprout like grass and all the workers of iniquity flourish, it is only to be destroyed for ever; but you, O Lord, shall be exalted for evermore.

Response It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord.

Gospel Mark 4:26-34

Such a large crowd gathered around Jesus that he got into a boat and began to teach them using many parables. Jesus said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.' Jesus also said, 'With what can we compare the

kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Intercessions led by Margaret Burbidge

	+ Alan, Bp of St Albans +Justin, Archbishop The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma) & Archbishop Stephen Than MyintOo
Sick & Bereaved	<i>Long term:</i> Christina Billington, Judith Hill, Yvonne Rix, Omid Tatiae, Margaret Taylor, Len Bennett, Priscilla Watt, Matthew Baynes, priest, Gordon Hufford, Christine Danson <i>and immediate:</i> Diane Luckraft, Archie Brennan and his parents Max and Alex, Sung Hee Suh, Keith Dawson, Adam Hammond and family, John and Philip Jennings, Julie Painter, Tom Hartigan and family
RIP	
Memorial	(None)

WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK:

Morning Prayer Monday 9:00am; Tuesday 9:00am at All Saints Shrublands Road;
Wednesday 8:00am; Thursday & Friday 9:00am

Eucharist Tuesday 9:30am at All Saints' Shrublands Road; Wednesday 8:30am
in St Peters

Evening Prayer Monday – Friday 5:00pm; Saturday 6:00pm

NOTICES

COWPER SOCIETY PRESENTS: Saturday 23 June, 7:30pm in St Peter's: CHILTERN CHAMBER CHOIR in a concert of **Midsummer Masterworks**: Bach, Soler, Parry, Whitacre, Pearsall. Tickets £10, under 18 free, from Brown & Merry 124 High Street, members of the choir or www.chilternchamberchoir.com

Please see the People not Borders website or Facebook Page for details of events for Refugee Week, which starts on 18th June, including a **Syrian Evening at the Friends Meeting House on Friday 22nd June**. Seating is limited for this and we are asking people to book by donating at least £5 paid through our website or Facebook page.



PETERTIDE FAIR

SATURDAY 30 JUNE 11-3PM

- If you can spare an hour or two on Fair day to volunteer at a stall, please sign the list at the back of church!
- Please start collecting any books (especially recent fiction/children's) and bottles of any sort (especially wine!) for the tombola. Both can be left at the back of church. We will be collecting these from today.

Thank you!

PARISH BARBEQUE - 12:30 on SUNDAY 8 JULY: £2 a head and Year 6 and under free. Please bring a salad or pudding to share. Glasses provided but bring your own drinks. Come and try hand bell ringing or have a go at our quiz. In the car park if dry and in the Court House if wet. **SIGN UP AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH FROM 17 JUNE**

IN MEMORY OF DAVID PEARCE: In September of this year, it would have been David's 80th Birthday. To remember and commemorate this event and to help raise money for Cancer Research, his daughter Nicky and grandson William, in the typical spirit of DRAP, are embarking on three challenges over the next few months. They will be undertaking a 100 mile bike ride in 8.5 hours, a 70 mile night bike ride and a 146 mile walk. If you would like to support Nicky and William in remembering David and by donating to Cancer Research please click on the link below or see Liz. <https://tinyurl.com/yca6c6to>

FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S: Volunteers and potential volunteers are welcome at our 2nd Pop-up social evening on Monday 2nd July between 18.30-20.00 in the upstairs room at the Mad Squirrel, 104 High Street Berkhamsted. Meet the interesting people involved in the Project and find out more about all sorts of volunteer roles – short and longer terms ones! We will need lots of help with our biggest events of the year – the Heritage Open Days on Sundays 9 and 16 September. Come along and find out how you can be part of it all.

Please note that the **RECTORY LANE ENTRANCE TO THE CEMETERY WILL CLOSED** for the period 18th-29th June. This is so that essential underpinning works to the gate piers can be carried out. Any questions should be addressed to James Moir, Project Manager 07545 786 372.

MEETING THIS WEEK

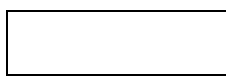
Pastoral Network				
Mothers' Union				
Grief and Loss Support Group				
Little Fishes				

PEW LEAFLET notices copy-ready & rota swaps **by 2pm Wednesday please**
PARISH OFFICE hours: Mon – Fri 9.30am – 12.30pm

CONTACT US

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