

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick: Shelagh Almond, Pauline Baker, Harry Banks, Polly Barclay, Charlie Bartlett, Mary Bartlett, Emma Brindle, Karen Brown, Dennis Butcher Tuset, Mandy Daly, Win Dennis, Garry Downes, Eric Edwin, Sam Fathers, Ed Freeman, Ed Fuller, Emma Hayward, Laura Hearne, Derek Hunt, Gill Hynes, Rita Jepson, Julie, Margaret Keech, Judy Lanham, Paul Lanham, Victoria Martin, Susan Pearson, David Perks, Alan Schneider, June Simmonds, Steve Simmons, Darren Smith, Hazel Suffolk, Nick Timms, Gary Williamson, and Sarah Wilson.

The departed: Dorothy Breeze.

We endeavour to keep this list up-to-date; if you have any questions, please speak to Dominic, Beverley, Liz or one of the readers.

Year's Mind

1 st	Albert Hall, Alfred Roche, Ivor Stevens
2 nd	Iris Hodges
3 rd	Robert Malcolm
4 th	John Kilgour, Tracey Northwood
5 th	Ada Harris
6 th	Nicholas Harvey, Clive Wildsmith
7 th	Frederick White

BIBLE STUDY is taking a summer break and will resume in September.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped and turned up for our Summer Fair. Over £700 was raised for church funds!

SUMMER EVENSONGS begin today at Millbrook at 6.30pm. Evensong followed by a glass of wine. What's not to like?

14th August – Ampthill

28th August – Steppingley

There will be no evensong service next Sunday (7th August) since we are following our Summer Evensong schedule.

ST ANDREW'S | AMPHILL

WITH ST MICHAEL'S, MILLBROOK, AND ST LAWRENCE'S, STEPPINGLEY

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Said Eucharist

9.30am Parish Eucharist

Hymns: 336 – All my hope on God is founded; BP 57 – Seek ye first;

343 – Be thou my vision; 249 – Take my life and let it be

Anthem: Fairest Lord Jesus – Arr. How

Recessional: Voluntary for full swell and cornet – James

11.15am Morning Praise

11.15am Said Eucharist

6.30pm Summer Evensong

Sunday 31st July

St Andrew's, Ampthill

St Andrew's, Ampthill

St Lawrence's, Steppingley

St Michael's, Millbrook

St Michael's, Millbrook

DURING THE WEEK

Tuesday 2nd 11.00am

Wednesday 3rd 10.30am

1.00pm-3.00pm

Thursday 4th 10.00am

6.45pm-8.15pm

7.00pm-8.15pm

Friday 5th 11.30am-12.30pm

7.00pm

Saturday 6th 12.00pm

Marriage Rehearsal at St Andrew's

Holy Communion at Agate House

Tai Chi in the Chapter House

Said Eucharist in St Andrew's Church

Yoga in the Chapter House

Bell Ringing Practice at St Andrew's

Pilates in the Chapter House

St Andrew's Choir Rehearsal

Marriage of James Byrne and Abigail Taylor at St Andrew's

Morning Prayer is said at 9.00am each weekday at St Andrew's.

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 7th August

8.00am Said Eucharist

9.30am Parish Eucharist

11.15am Morning Praise

11.15am Said Eucharist

Eighth Sunday after Trinity

St Andrew's, Ampthill

St Andrew's, Ampthill

St Lawrence's, Steppingley

St Michael's, Millbrook

CONTACTS

Priest-in-Charge: Fr Dominic Holroyd-Thomas 01525 795417 rector@ampthillbenefice.co.uk

Churchwardens: Beverley Hodges 01525 404625 a_bhodges@btinternet.com

Elizabeth Neil 01234 740931 elizabeth_neil@hotmail.com

Lay Readers: Stella Brooks 01525 860370 stardrift0@gmail.com

Pippa Kilgour 01525 406696 pippa@kilgour.org

Treasurer: Nigel Pollard 01525 753170 nigel@vernewood.co.uk

Bank Details for internet payments:

AMPTHILL PCC

Sort Code: 20-05-74

Account no.: 40063762

Please ensure that notices are with Dominic by Thursday for inclusion in the next pew sheet.

COLLECT

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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.**

READINGS

A reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes

²Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

¹²I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, ¹³applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. ¹⁴I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

¹⁸I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me – ¹⁹and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labours under the sun, ²¹because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? ²³For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

This is the word of the Lord. *Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12-14; 2: 18-23*
Thanks be to God.

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Colossians

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

⁵Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶On account of these the

wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

This is the word of the Lord.

Colossians 3: 1-11

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' ¹⁴But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' ¹⁵And he said to the crowd, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" ¹⁸Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." ²⁰But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Luke 12: 13-21

Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**