

NOTICES

Sunday 28th July

10.30 Compton Bassett: Benefice Communion

Monday 29 th July	10.00 Heddington Coffee Morning
Sunday 4 th August	10.30 Heddington: Benefice Communion
Sunday 11 th August	10.30 Cherhill: Benefice Communion

Upcoming PCC Meetings

Joint PCC: 25th September @ 5.30pm

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**If you need help with safeguarding issues, please contact the Safeguarding Officer on
07864 000906**

28th July
9th Sunday after Trinity
Ephesians 3.14-21
John 6.1-21



Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
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.

Next week:
10th Sunday after
Trinity

Ephesians 4.1-16
John 6.24-35

Welcome

We hope you feel welcome at our church and find it a place where you can meet with God. If you are unsure about anything, please ask the person who gave you this sheet.

We love children and we understand they will make some noise; don't worry about it! However, if you feel your youngest ones would benefit from playing quietly in a corner, do ask the people who welcomed you and they can point you in a suitable direction. We may even have the odd book or toy for them to play with.

A **loop system** may be provided in this church. Please ask or check by switching your hearing aid to the "T" position.

Receiving the bread and wine

We have been asked by the Department of Health and the House of Bishops to discourage the dipping of wafers into the chalice as it is considered to increase the risk to others' health. If for any reason you do not wish to drink from the chalice, could I therefore ask you to simply let it pass you by. The Church of England has always taught that it is sufficient to receive just the bread. If you have any questions about this, please speak to me after the service or during the week.

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 3.14-21

For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Gospel Reading: John 6.1-21

Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the signs he had performed by healing those who were ill. Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. The Jewish Passover Festival was near.

When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming towards him, he said to Philip, 'Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?' He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.

Philip answered him, 'It would take more than half a year's wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!'

Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, 'Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?'

Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish.

When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, 'Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted.' So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.

After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, 'Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, where they got into a boat and set off across the lake for Capernaum. By now it was dark, and Jesus had not yet joined them. A strong wind was blowing and the waters grew rough. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened. But he said to them, 'It is I; don't be afraid.' Then they were willing to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the shore where they were heading.

Heddington Coffee Morning

Come along for tea, coffee, cake, and a chat. All welcome
Mondays from 10.00-11.30 @ St. Andrews Church

Little Fishes runs most Tuesdays during term time from 9.15am at Compton Bassett Village Hall. Little Fishes is now having a summer break and will resume in September.

VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED

We need your help. We need one or more people to help us set up, tidy up and serve refreshments at our toddler group "Little Fishes", every Tuesday morning in term time. It's a great opportunity to show God's love and to get to know more people from our local area. If you would like to find out more (or come along and see what we do), please chat with Matt or Nele.

The Bible Study Group

Bible Study Group will be having a summer break, meetings will resume in September.

Home Group at the Rectory

Meetings will resume after the summer break in September.