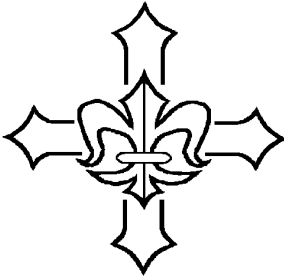


Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin Godmanchester
Weekly Newsletter



Sunday 12th August 2007
Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion

President & Preacher: David Busk

Sung Eucharist

President & Preacher: David Busk, Deacon: Pat Saunders

Readers	Colin Thirlwall David Moger
Readings	Genesis Ch 15: vv 1-6 Hebrews Ch 11: vv 1-3, 8-16
Gospel	Luke Ch 12: vv 32-40
Intercessions	Jim Heeley
Hymns	205, 368, 478, 345
Communion	416, 456

Sung Evensong

President & Preacher: Jeremy Craddock

Hymns	498, 434, 471
Psalm	108

Collect

Lord of heaven and earth,
as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer,
give us patience and courage never to lose hope,
but always to bring our prayers before you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Street Prayer Mission: Riverside Flats, Bridge Place

Charity of the month: Christian Solidarity World Wide

Holy Communion. All are welcome at the altar rail. If you are a communicant member of your own Church, you are welcome to receive the Sacrament here. Or if you would like to receive a Blessing, please come forward with a hymn book, kneel at the rail and bow your head

Notices

Baptism today, 11.30 am: Caitlin Jayde Howard and Freya Neve Howard

We shall be away from this afternoon (Sunday 12th) until Tuesday evening of the following week (21st). For all pastoral matters, please contact Jerry Craddock (458011), and for all other church related business contact the Churchwardens, David Ferris (385070) or Jean Morgan (417502). My mobile number is 07765851757. If this does not work, try either 01557 840244 or 01680 300377.

David Busk

National Flood Disaster

As you know, the recent floods around the country have devastated many homes and left many people in desperate need of help. As a result the Red Cross has launched an appeal to support those most affected. Therefore, in order to give parishioners the opportunity to help it is proposed that we should hold a 'Retiring Collection' over the next few weeks. As usual a collection tray will be available in the area of the Font after each service for those wishing to contribute.

Roy Norris (431961)

Charities Committee

Crèche

There will be a crèche available for children each Sunday during school holidays at the 9.45 service. This will be run by Stella Howard in conjunction with Mary Hardy and Jean Morgan. We would also welcome help from anyone else who would like to join us. We leave the service during the gradual hymn and come back just before communion. We sing a selection of songs and action songs and we have a bible story during which there is an opportunity for the children to join in. Afterwards there is time for free play and colouring or similar activity. All are welcome.

Gift Aid Scheme

I hope that most people who kindly donate to the Church through the Gift Aid scheme have received an acknowledgement card of their donation for the tax year 2006/7 and have happily claimed a refund from the taxman. If you haven't received one yet then there is a good chance it will be in the pigeon-hole system at the rear of the Church. Please contact me if you are still missing a card after this and I will get one to you soonest.

Kevin Robinson, Gift Aid Officer (455421)

Leprosy Mission

Please put any used postage stamps in the box by the South Door as I intend to send off our batch to the Leprosy Mission as soon as the Mothers' Union have sorted and trimmed them. This is a very worthwhile undertaking as the Mission makes a lot of money each year from the sale of stamps to philatelists in the UK and overseas.

Jean White

Luncheons

A big vote of thanks to all who supported in any way the midsummer luncheon in the hall last Sunday; the event raised the sum of £205.00 towards church funds.

Our next lunch event is the Autumn Barbecue on Sunday 9th September - tickets available from Val Pithey (454851) in due course.

Flower Guild Outing to Blickling Hall

Please note the coach leaves Old Court Hall at 9.00am on Wednesday and departs from Blickling Hall at 4.00pm.

Storage Heater

Please note Pat Alburey has a heater which is surplus to requirements. Free in exchange for a donation to church funds. For further details please contact Pat (810638).

Newsletter Compiler

Pam Ayres is Newsletter compiler for July and August. E-mail pantimayres@aol.com or (436395). All contributions by 18.30 on Thursday please.

DIARY

Sunday 12th August Ninth Sunday after Trinity

*08:00 Holy Communion
09:45 Sung Eucharist
18:30 Sung Evensong*

Wednesday 15th August

*09:00 Flower Guild outing to Blickling Hall
11:00 Holy Communion (Woodley Court)*

Thursday 16th August

*09:45 Holy Communion
19:30 Prayer Group (36 Old Court Hall)*

Sunday 19th August Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

*08:00 Holy Communion
09:45 Sung Eucharist
18:30 Sung Evensong*

Coffee is served in the Church Hall after the morning Eucharist. Everyone is welcome

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