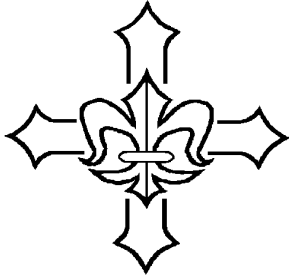


# Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin Godmanchester

*Weekly Newsletter*



**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

*Trinity Ten*

## **Holy Communion**

*President & Preacher: Mary Jepp*

## **Sung Eucharist**

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*Deacon: Linda Watson*

Readers: Christine Parker & Peter Taylor  
Readings: Proverbs 9: vv 1-6 & Ephesians 5: vv 15-20  
Gospel: John 6: vv 51-58  
Intercessions: David Ferris  
Hymns: 351, 451, 336, 339 (please omit \* verses)  
Communion: 282, 387

## **Sung Evensong**

*Derek Billings*

Readings: Exodus 2: vv 23-3: 10 & Hebrews 13: vv 1-15  
Hymns: 456, 398, 246(ii) (please omit \* verses)  
Psalm: 100

## **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:** Cambridge Street, Orchard Way, Linden Grove, Clyde Yard,  
East Chadley Lane

**Charity of the month:** Christian Solidarity Worldwide

**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.

### ***Car Treasure Hunt Postponed***

Please note the Car Treasure Hunt which was to have taken place today has been postponed. Please watch this space in 2010!



Churches together in Godmanchester include for St Mary's, The Baptist Church, The Quakers

### ***Lunch Club for Senior Citizens***

The Lunch Club for Senior Citizens operated by The Godmanchester Churches Together is taking a summer break, but will recommence on Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> September. We look forward to welcoming all those who attended on a regular basis prior to the summer and to greeting some folk who have not attended before.

Very importantly we need volunteers to strengthen the team who weekly decide on the menus, and purchase and prepare the food for the cooking on Tuesday mornings of each week. In addition helpers are required to layout the room and tables and deal with the washing up etc. If you have time to spare on a Tuesday and would like to be part of this team, please contact John & Elizabeth Callaghan on 01480 354188. They will be very pleased to hear from you.

### ***Midsummer Lunch***

Forthcoming event - Midsummer lunch in Church Hall next Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August; adults £5.00; children £2.50. Tickets available from Val Pithey (454851).

### ***Men's Social Group***

We are planning a visit to the Museum of Military Intelligence at Chicksands on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September. We will leave Godmanchester at 9.45am for the museum, lunch at the Shuttleworth Collection and return in the late afternoon. Please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to come - guests very welcome. Names must be confirmed by Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August. Contact: Peter Dawe (392188).

### ***Carlo Curley Organ Recital, Bourn – 5<sup>th</sup> September***

On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September at 5.00 pm, Carlo Curley, the International Concert Organist, will be giving an organ recital at the church of St Helena and St Mary at Bourn. Specially for the concert, a 'state of the art' 45 stop, two manual, Allen digital organ has been hired which will produce a fantastic sound. To help your appreciation of the concert there will be an HD large screen video presentation, so that everyone should be able to see Carlo play at his '747 flight deck' as he often calls the organ console. In addition to being a supreme musician, he is also an engaging and witty raconteur, which makes his concerts that little bit different and special.

Tickets are available in advance from Graham Bruce (01954 718221) or Alison Newson (01954 719504) at £12.50 for the central pews of the nave and bell tower or £10.00 for the side aisles and Lady Chapel.

Refreshments will be available in the interval and there will be plenty of time before the concert, during the interval and at the end, to meet Carlo and buy CDs or DVDs.

### ***Friends 100 Club***

We now have 65 players, but would welcome more to join, as the more there are the bigger the prizes. The cost is only £1.00 per month payable on an annual basis, and to join in August will only now cost £11.00, as the annual membership runs until June 2010. Please contact John Bathurst Hoile on 01480 465442, or pick up an application form from the south door table if you wish to join.

Please note that information has now been obtained from the Tax Office which unfortunately prevents the recovery of tax against 100 Club subscriptions. Your contributions are, therefore, even more essential to the task of raising money to enable the Friends to help the PCC with their task of maintaining the church fabric etc.

The August draw will take place on 6<sup>th</sup> September.

### ***Replacement Piano***

Many of you will be aware that the digital piano in the church has developed a serious fault and cannot be repaired. We are therefore faced with the unexpected challenge of finding a replacement instrument. The choir piano can remain in the church until the end of the summer, but will then need to be moved back. One solution to the problem would be to purchase a new digital piano, but that has considerable fundraising implications which we are just beginning to explore. Meanwhile, could I ask anyone who knows of a second-hand piano in good condition that needs a new home and could be donated to the church to contact me as soon as possible?

Ken Diffey (458846).

### ***Katherine Heeley - RSCM Summer School***

Some of you will know that Katherine Heeley from our choir is attending the RSCM Summer School at Bath from 17<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> August as part of her preparation for the RSCM Gold Award which she hopes to attempt in the not too distant future.

This year's course will be special because the more senior members are scheduled to broadcast Sunday Worship live from Bath Abbey on BBC Radio 4 on the final day - Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8.10am. I hope that some of you will be able to tune in and give Katherine some feedback when she returns.

Ken Diffey

### ***A Christmas Carol***

I have "lost" a Large Print copy of "A Christmas Carol" which I borrowed from the library last year for our Parish Reading event. I should be grateful if anyone who has it by mistake can return it to me as soon as possible. Thank you.

Jean White (454920)

### ***Prayer Corner***

"Dear Lord, you said that Mary had chosen the 'better way' - as she took time to sit with you, to listen to you. Help us to pause - take time - and 'be' with you. And to remember that only in silence can we truly hear your voice. Amen,"

### ***Newsletter Compiler***

Pam Ayres is the Newsletter compiler during August and September. Items to Pam at [pamtimayres@talktalk.net](mailto:pamtimayres@talktalk.net), or on 436395, by 6.30pm Thursday please.

## **DIARY**

### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August**                      **Trinity Ten**

08:00        *Holy Communion*

09:45        *Sung Eucharist*

18:30        *Sung Evensong*

### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August**

19:00        *Wedding Rehearsal*

### **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August**

07:30        *Morning Prayer*

### **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August**

11:00        *Holy Communion (Woodley Court))*

### **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August**

07:30        *Morning Prayer*

09:45        *Holy Communion*

### **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August**

14:00        *Wedding of Mark Smith and Rebecca Hurst*

### **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August**                      **Trinity Eleven**

08:00        *Holy Communion*

09:45        *Sung Eucharist*

11:30        *Holy Baptism – Macie Garnham*

12.30        *Midsummer Lunch (Church Hall)*

16:00        *Ecumenical Service (Rectory Gardens)*

18:30        *Sung Evensong*

**Refreshments** are served after the 9.45am Eucharist. Everyone is welcome

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