

NOTICES

PRAYER LIST - If you would like anyone to be included by name in our prayers each Sunday (sick, departed etc.) please contact Tony Bevens LLM—677643.

BIG BREW for Fairtrade/Traidcraft will be on Saturday 29th Feb 10-12 in the Reading Rooms. Cakes, raffle, games, books, etc. Help needed contact Jenny Wilkinson 677378.

THE FUNERAL OF LAURA KIDMAN of Little Gransden will take place on 6th March at 11.30am at Cambridge Crematorium, then at 1pm at Gamlingay Baptist Chapel

SWIMATHON-Sunday 12 noon 8th March. Please support our team with sponsorship. 50% raised will go to Great Gransden Church. **SWIMMERS NEEDED** to make up our team of 6. Any queries please contact Jenny Wilkinson - 677378.

DEANERY LENT EVENSONGS: SUNDAYS in MARCH 2020 at 6.00pm

1st March Gamlingay **8th March** Great Gransden

15th March Buckden **29th March** Great Staughton

CHURCH DIARY FOR NEXT FORTNIGHT

Wed 19th	6.30pm	Choir Practice	GG Church
Thu 20th	7.30 pm	Bellringing Practice	GG Church
Mon 24th	7.30pm	Joint PCC	The Vicarage
Tue 25th	9.10am	Morning Prayer	GG Church
Wed 26th	10.30am	Holy Communion	LG Church
	6.30pm	Choir Practice	GG Church
Thu 27th	7.30 pm	Bellringing Practice	GG Church
Sat 29th	10am	Big Brew	Reading Room GG

SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE IN THE NEXT FORTNIGHT

Sunday 23rd February				Sunday 1st March			
8.30am	Holy Communion BCP	GG		8.30am	Holy Communion BCP		W
10am	Holy Communion CW	W		10am	Holy Communion CW		LG
4pm	Lego Church	Vicarage	GG	6pm	Service of Light & Healing		A

A=Abbotsley, GG=Great Gransden, LG=Little Gransden, W=Waresley

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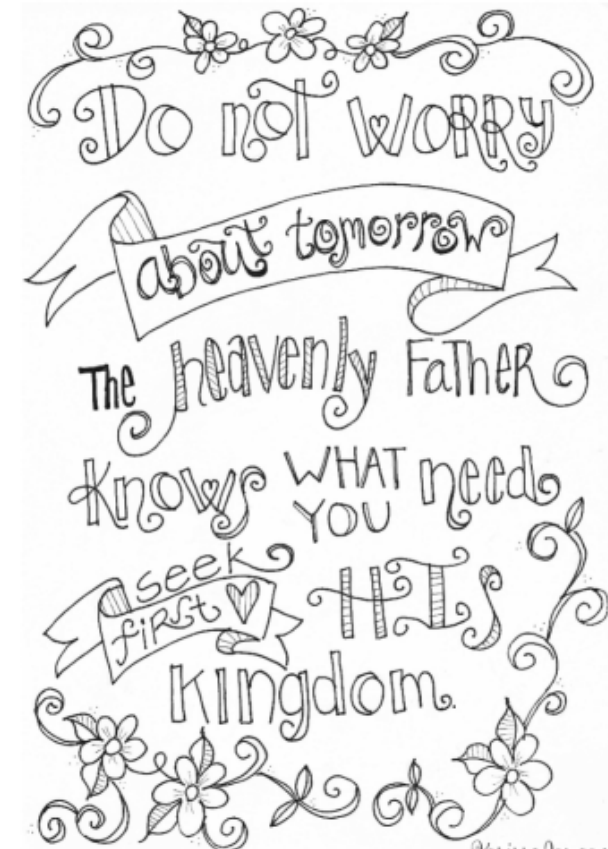


THE PARISHES OF
GREAT GRANSDEN, ABBOTSLEY, LITTLE GRANSDEN
AND WARESLEY

ALL AGE COMMUNION

16th February 2020

The Second Sunday before Lent



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WELCOME

We welcome you to Great Gransden Parish Church.

The Leaders of today's service are Sheila George, Tony Bevens and Revd Rachel Blanchflower.

THEME – Do not worry

GATHERING PRAYER

Leader: We meet in the presence of God
**who knows our needs,
understands our worries,
hears our cries,
feels our pain,
and heals our wounds. Amen**

OPENING RESPONSES

Jesus said,
'Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or
store away in barns, yet your Heavenly Father feeds them.
Lord, help us to understand we are precious to you.

Jesus said,
'Consider the lilies of the field, they do not labour or spin,
yet that is how God clothes the grass of the field'
Lord, clothe us in righteousness.

Jesus said,
'Do not worry saying, 'what shall we eat?' or, 'what shall we drink?' or,
'what shall we wear?' Your heavenly Father knows your needs.
Lord, help us to seek your kingdom first. Amen.

Please stand for **HYMN 565** Praise my soul the king of heaven

After the hymn, please sit.

CONFESSION

We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden,
to ask for His forgiveness and peace.

We belong to a people who are full and satisfied,
but ignore the cry of the hungry.
Father, in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

We are thoughtless and anxious,
Striving for and worrying only about our own needs, and do not care
enough about seeking to serve your kingdom,
Father, in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

THE COMMUNION

Before the distribution, the priest says:

Priest: God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**All Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
To the glory of God the Father.**

ALL are welcome at the altar to receive communion or God's blessing.

The Choir will sing an **ANTHEM**.

CONCLUSION

POST COMMUNION

Priest: God of glory,
you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.. **Amen**

**All Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

SENDING OUT

Leader: To a troubled world: **the peace of Christ.**
To a searching world: **the love of Christ.**
To a waiting world: **the hope of Christ.**
Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will
worry about itself.

Please stand for **HYMN 249** Great is thy faithfulness

Please remain standing for **THE BLESSING** given by the Revd. Rachel Blanchflower

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
All: In the name of Christ. Amen

Priest With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Please kneel or sit

Priest As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

Priest We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

We sing the *Agnus Dei*:

**All Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

We store up goods for ourselves alone,
as if there were no God and no heaven.
Father, in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

Priest: May Almighty God,
who sent His Son into the world to save sinners,
bring you His pardon and peace, now and for ever. **Amen**

COLLECT

Priest: Lord of the hosts of heaven,
our salvation and our strength,
without you we are lost:
guard us from all that harms or hurts
and raise us when we fall;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GOSPEL READING *Matthew 6: 25-end (not announced)*

read by Rachel Walker

Hear the Gospel according to Matthew.

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. “So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord **All: Thanks be to God**

Please stand for the

HYMN 555 Peace, perfect peace

Please sit for the **ADDRESS** given by Tony Bevens

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Please stand

Leader: Let us declare our faith in God.

**All: We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS led by Jennifer Wilkinson

Leader: Lord, in thy mercy;

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: Merciful Father,

**All: Accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

Please stand for

THE PEACE

Jesus says to his disciples,
'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you.
Not as the world gives do I give to you.
Let not your hearts be troubled or afraid.'
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you

All: and also with you.

Leader: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace by shaking hands with those around you.

OFFERTORY HYMN 590 Seek ye first

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Please remain standing

Priest The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Priest It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.
When we turned away you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

**All You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

Priest In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

**All He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

Priest On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

**All Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

Priest At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new
covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of
sins; do this in remembrance of me.

**All Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

Priest As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in
glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**All As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**