

NOTICES

MEMBERSHIP OF OUR CHURCHES & REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ROLL If you would like your name added to our churches' Electoral Rolls now is the time. Please contact the appropriate Electoral Roll Officer — Mark Doggett for Great and Alison Wareham for Little. Forms can be downloaded from the church web site.

RETIREMENT OF REVD CATHARINE FURLONG—After 12 years of ministry in our parishes Catharine will be retiring on 31st March 2018. This will be followed by a period of Interregnum from 1st April. Details of whom to contact during this period will be published in *Roundabout*. Please do not hesitate to contact Catharine 677227 in the meantime regarding pastoral care, baptisms and weddings.

DEANERY LENT EVENSONG - 18th March 4pm Lt Paxton Church - preacher The Revd Julia Chamberlain, Chaplain Hinchbrook Hospital.

CHURCH DIARY

Wed	6.30pm	Choir Practice	GG Church
Thu	7.30pm	Bellringing Practice	GG Church
Sat	3.15pm	Thanksgiving service	GG Church

PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME WITH YOU

SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE IN THE NEXT FORTNIGHT

Sunday 11th March	Sunday 18th March
MOTHERING SUNDAY	9.30 am Family Communion CW GG
Group Service	with Sunday School
10am Family Communion CW LG	9.30 am Morning Prayer CW A
	11am Morning Prayer BCP W

A = Abbotsley, GG = Great Gransden, LG = Little Gransden, W = Waresley
BCP = Book of Common Prayer, CW = Common Worship

CONTACTS

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COMMON WORSHIP



The Parishes of Great Gransden
and Little Gransden
FAMILY SERVICE—ALL AGE WORSHIP
A Service of The Word
Lent 3
Sunday 4th March 2018



**KEEP
CALM, TRUST
AND
OBEY
GOD**

WELCOME

We welcome you to Great Gransden Parish Church.
The Leader of today's service is Sheila George.

THEME – Trust and obey.

PRAYER OF APPROACH:

You are the Lord our God:
you rescue us from ourselves.
We have no other gods but you:
you alone do we worship.
You are steadfast in your love for us:
we honour you by keeping your commandments.
This day is our sabbath:
a day set aside to worship you,
O Lord, our God. Amen.

HYMN 35 A new commandment

Remain standing

CONFESSION

O Lord, our God, you commanded us to have no other gods
but you, yet we have built idols for ourselves out of the things we
own and long to possess:

forgive our greed and insincerity.

O Lord, our God, you commanded us to bow down and worship
you alone, yet we have made idols of the people we admire for
their fame, fortune and celebrity:

forgive our folly and fickle nature.

O Lord, our God, you commanded us to honour your name, yet
we have taken your name in vain by the language we use to
speak of you:

forgive our lack of commitment.

You alone are God, and you alone do we worship.
Let your mercy overflow,
and your forgiveness cleanse and renew us. **Amen.**

Leader: 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.**

CONCLUSION *Please stand for*

HYMN 741 Trust and obey

During this hymn the collection will be taken

Please remain standing for

SENDING OUT PRAYER

May our words and thoughts be always acceptable to you,
may our deeds and actions be always worthy of you,
and may our lives show forth your love in the world. **Amen**

THE BLESSING

May the love of the Lord Jesus draw us to himself,
the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen us in his service,
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill our hearts;
and may the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always.
Amen

Leader: Let us go in peace and walk in love,
serving the Lord in all we do.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen

HYMN *How deep the Father's love for us*

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss -
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life -
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart -
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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THE PRAYERS

Here we say prayers of intercession and thanksgiving followed by the Lord's Prayer led by Lynn Walton

Leader: May we hear you Lord;
All: and want to obey.

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

Leader May the God of love bring us back to himself,
forgive us our sins,
and assure us of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please remain standing for the **COLLECT** for today

Almighty God,
whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain,
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,
may find it none other than the way of life 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. **Amen**

Please sit for

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 20.1-17 (not announced) read by Iain Strath

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

Please stand to sing the Psalm

PSALM 19.7-14

Response Gerry Fitzpatrick
v. 1a The hea - vens are tell - ing the glo - ry of God.

Verse

* Omit in verses 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 K.D.

The heavens are telling the glory of God.

7 The law of the Lord is perfect, reviv | ing the soul;
the testimony of the | Lord is sure
and gives wisdom | to the simple.

The heavens are telling the glory of God.

8 The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is pure
and gives light to the eyes.

The heavens are telling the glory of God.

9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever;
the judgments of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.

The heavens are telling the glory of God.

10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold,
sweeter also than honey,
dripping from the honeycomb.

The heavens are telling the glory of God.

11 By them also is your servant taught
and in keeping them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how often they offend?
O cleanse me from my secret faults!

The heavens are telling the glory of God.

13 Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins
lest they get dominion over me;
so shall I be undefiled,
and innocent of great offence.

The heavens are telling the glory of God.

14 Let the words of my mouth
and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight,
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

The heavens are telling the glory of God.

Please stand for

THE PEACE

Leader: 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.

Hymn 352 Jesus is Lord

Please sit for the **ADDRESS**

The Ten Commandments rap

Make the Lord your Number One,
got no others, no sir, none.

Don't make gods of wood or stone,

God is Lord and Lord alone.

Do not take God's name in vain,

God has made this very plain.

Got to get your Sunday rest,

God is the one who knows the best.

Honour then your mum and dad,

do some good and don't be bad.

Number six says do not kill,

life is precious – that's God's will.

If you marry, just be true,

it will be the best for you.

This command says do not steal,

if it was you, how would you feel?

Speak the truth and tell no lies,

big ones, small ones, any size.

Do not wish or want a lot,

be content with what you've got.

Please stand for **AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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.**