

NOTICES

CONTACTS DURING INTERREGNUM—all enquiries re Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals or any other church matters should be made to the following Churchwardens (*full details in Roundabout*):

Great Gransden—Iain Strath or Rob Chignell
 Little Gransden-Nick Wareham or Betty Bates
 Abbotsley-Julie Wisson
 Waresley-Colin Croot

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.

STAMPS FOR MOGGERHANGER—The boxes for used postage stamps for Moggerhanger will be in all four churches from now until the end of January.

CHURCH DIARY

Mon	1st	3.15pm	Quarter Peal –St Albans Ringers	GG Church
		4pm	Herringbone-Site Meeting	LG Church
Tue	2nd	2pm	Mothers Union	40 Winchfield GG
		7.30pm	Revellers Rehearsal	GG Church
Wed	3rd	6.30pm	Choir Practice	GG Church
Thu	4th	7.30pm	Bellringing Practice	GG Church
Fri	5th	7.30pm	Revellers Rehearsal	GG Church
Sat	6th	3pm	MU Deanery Harvest	GG Church

PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME WITH YOU

SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE IN THE NEXT FORTNIGHT

Sunday 7th October		W	Sunday 14th October		
9.30am Holy Communion BCP		GG	10 am Family Communion CW		A
10am All Age Worship		A			
6pm Holy Communion CW					

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

CONTACTS

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Great and Little Gransden Churches

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

30th September 2018

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity—Proper 21

We welcome the Revd Margaret Marshall as our celebrant today.

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God,
 increase in us your gift of faith
 that, forsaking what lies behind
 and reaching out to that which is before,
 we may run the way of your commandments
 and win the crown of everlasting joy;
 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**

FIRST READING

Numbers 11. 4-6, 16-24, 24-29 (*not announced*)

A reading from the book of Numbers.

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, 'If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.'

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, 'Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favour in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, "Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child", to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, "Give us meat to eat!" I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favour in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.'

So the Lord said to Moses, 'Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.'

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, 'My lord Moses, stop them!' But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!'

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

PSALM 19. 7-14



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 re | joice 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 en | dures for ever;
the judgements 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 al | so than honey,
Dripping | from in the comb.

The heavens are telling the glory of God.

11 By them also is your | servant is 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 pre | sumptuous sins;
lest they get do | minion 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.

SECOND READING

James 3.5.13-20 (*not announced*)

A reading from the letter of James.

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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

GOSPEL READING

Mark 9.38-50

Priest: Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

All: Glory to you , O Lord.

John said to him, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.' But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

'If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

'For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.'

Priest: This is the gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, O Christ.**