

**Calendar for 17th to 24th  
August 2025**

**Sunday 17th August – Trinity 9**

**8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**  
 Readings: Isaiah 5.1-7 (OT Pg. 582); Hebrews 11.29-12.2 (NT Pg. 215);  
 Luke 12.49-56 (NT Pg. 72).  
**10.00am** Said Eucharist with Baptism and hymns – **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**  
 Reading: Mark 1.9-11  
**3.00pm** Cream Teas and Music – **St Peter and St Paul**

**Wednesday 20th August**

**10.30am** Coffee 'n' Share - **Abbeyfield**

**Sunday 24th August – Trinity 10**

**8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**  
 Readings: Acts 5.12-16; 1 Corinthians 4.9-15; Luke 22.24-30.  
**10.00am** Said Eucharist with hymns – **St Peter and St Paul and live on-line**  
**11.30am** Said Matins with hymns – **Little Hampden**  
**3.00pm** Cream Teas and Music – **St Peter and St Paul**  
**6.00pm** Said Evening Prayer – **St Peter and St Paul**

**Further Dates for your Diary** (at St Peter and St Paul unless stated  
**Tuesday 9th September, 9-10.30am:** Open Forum on Concept Design for the future of St Peter and St Paul, and at 7.30pm Youth and Families work.  
**Saturday 11th October, 230pm:** Talk by Squadron Leader Graham Laurie RAF, “Flying the Royals” for the Friends of Great Missenden Parish Church  
**Sunday 5th October at 1.00pm** Parish Pot Luck Lunch in the Oldham Hall.

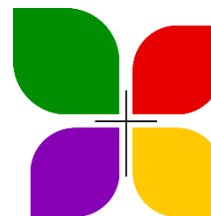
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**The Chiltern Foodbank is currently looking for donations of...**

Bags for life; Honey; Long-life milk; Rice; Sponge puddings; Squash; Toilet roll.

**All items must be within BBE date, please.**  
[chiltern.foodbank.org.uk](http://chiltern.foodbank.org.uk)



**St Peter and St Paul, Great Missenden**  
**St Mary's Church, Ballinger**  
**Little Hampden**

**Helping one another to Know, to  
Serve and to Share God's love**

**Sunday 17th August – The Ninth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 15)**

Please include in our prayers:

- for those in our Parish who are sick at home or in hospital;
- for the family and friends of Gabriel Harrison on his baptismal day
- for school pupils, teachers and their families, that God will keep them safe during the Summer holidays;
- for students awaiting GCSE results, and those who have received A-Level results and are considering next steps;
- for the peace that passes all understanding throughout the world;
- for our plans to appoint a Youth Worker in our Parish.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

Hebrews 12.1

**Collect**

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy 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.

**Post Communion**

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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## News and Events

### The Vicar writes...

If only we did know how to interpret the present times! When we see violence, war and hatred, we wonder what God is up to. But perhaps we need to be reminded that being a follower of Christ doesn't guarantee us an easy life. Persecution, struggle and war are all part of the human experience. Yet God suffers with us, helps us look for the people who are doing good and encourages us to serve, act and transform the world with his love. We can be the peacemakers and the bridge-builders in his name.

(Based on Luke 12.49-56)

**Cream Teas** will be accompanied by music from the Allsorts (on saxophones) this week.

**The Choir will be on holiday** throughout August.

**\*\*Change to Coffee 'n' Share dates\*\*** Our normal 'Coffee 'n' Share' has finished for the Summer break. There will, however, be coffees at Abbeyfield on Wednesday 20th August, and on Wednesday 3rd September at 10.30am if you are able to join us. Coffee 'n' Share will then run as normal from September every week until Christmas, the first Wednesday of the month at Abbeyfield and each week thereafter in church.

**Eco Tip for August.** Private gardens, churchyards and other outdoor spaces can make a significant contribution to nature. We can take action to care for plants, wildlife and soil in the places where we live and around our churches. Caring for the earth was the first instruction God gave to humans. This doesn't mean we all need to be professional gardeners but perhaps try to learn one new thing this month that you can do for a garden space. Read more about nature-friendly gardening at [www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2024/04/environmentally-friendly-gardening-10-top-tips](http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2024/04/environmentally-friendly-gardening-10-top-tips)

**Concept Design for the future of St Peter and St Paul.** On 9th September, 9.00am – 10.30am, there will be an open forum in Church with the architect Libby Watts, who is working on the concept design for the future of St Peter and St Paul. Libby will present the 90% complete concept design and it will be an opportunity for everybody to see that and give comments/feedback. Please join us if you can.

**Great Missenden Church of England School.** This summer, we're giving our school a fresh new look – and we need your help to make it happen! We'd be so grateful for any help you can offer. Register your interest and availability dates/times here (<https://tinyurl.com/2khwr5v5>). If you'd prefer to donate towards materials instead, you can do that online with the following details:

- Account name: Great Missenden C of E Combined School
- Account number: 11263168
- Sort Code: 30-14-77

**Many Thanks to The Reverend Canon Alan Mustoe** for taking the 8.00 and 10.00 services at St Peter and St Paul on Sundays 17 and 24, while Rev Malcolm Chalmers is on leave.

### The Misbourne – Year 11 Careers Day

We're looking for 25 volunteers to conduct mock face-to-face interviews with our Year 11 students on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2025. If you can help, please let us know here: <https://tinyurl.com/46ktz6b5>

**Books.** St Mary's Church have a very good selection of books to sell for donations of £1 or more, which will go into Church funds. Many of the books are suitable for a good holiday read and others are very interesting autobiographies and other various topics.

### Open PCC Meeting

You're warmly invited to an open PCC meeting on **Tuesday 9 September at 7.30pm** in the **Church**, where we'll be exploring the next steps for youth and family work in the Parish.

**Recital by Cuban Guitarist Ahmed Dickinson Cárdenas – Fri 5 Sept, 7 pm, Oldham Hall** Fresh from Wigmore Hall, Ahmed brings a 70-minute programme of Spanish & Latin American classics; tickets £12 online at [rb.gy/zw1yk4](http://rb.gy/zw1yk4) or £15 on the door.

**Harvest Supper at St Mary's Church, Ballinger, Saturday 4th October, 7:00pm for 7:30pm** Now in its 4th year, with a musical interlude courtesy of Ken Harratt. Tickets £26 to include a two-course meal and all drinks. Space is limited, so please contact Maggi Cameron or Anne Ellis asap to book.

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