

Calendar for 28th June to 5th July

Sunday 28th June – Patronal Festival

- 8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
Readings: Zechariah 4.1-6a, 10b-end; Acts 12.1-11; Matthew 16.13-19
10.00am Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live online**
12noon-5pm Sun, Sea and Summer Flower Festival with Cream Teas –
St Peter and St Paul
6.00pm Choral Evensong – **St Peter and St Paul**

Wednesday 1st July

- 9.30am** Holy Communion – **St Peter and St Paul**
10.30am Coffee 'n' Share – **Abbeyfield**

Sunday 5th July – Trinity 5

- 8.00am** Said Eucharist (BCP) – **St Peter and St Paul**
9.30am Said Eucharist with hymns – **St Mary's Church, Ballinger**
Readings: Zechariah 9.9-12; Romans 7.15-25a; Matthew 11.16-19, 25-end.
10.00am Parish Eucharist – **St Peter and St Paul and live online**
6.00pm Evening Prayer – **St Peter and St Paul**

Future Dates for your Diary (at St Peter and St Paul unless stated)

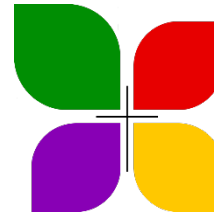
- Saturday 22nd August, 7.30pm** – Billy Watman, Anglo Brazilian guitarist.
Further details and tickets at <http://www.missendenchurch.org.uk/billy-watman>
Saturday 26th September, 7.30pm – Moonrakers return after their successful previous visit. Folk and traditional Celtic music.
Saturday 3rd October, 2.30pm – FGMPCC Talk & Tea 'Engineering for Life'.

Live-Streaming of our Services

Many of our 10am services are streamed live. If you have any questions or concerns see notice board and/or please contact the Vicar or Safeguarding Officer (details below).

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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 28th June – Patronal Festival of Saint Peter and Saint Paul



Please include in our prayers:

- for those responsible for shortlisting candidates for the position of Bishop of Oxford;
- for the ongoing peace negotiations regarding the Middle East;
- for all the members of our Parish Family on this special Festival Day;
- for the process of appointing a Youth Worker and a volunteer lead fund raiser;
- for those who might hear the call to be servers and choristers in our parish.

Jesus said, 'And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

Matthew 16.18-19

Collect

Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their death as in their life: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and made one by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, 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

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with the joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Vicar writes...

This is a turning point in Saint Matthew's account: the first acknowledgment by his own followers of Jesus as Christ or Messiah, God's chosen one. Simon may be speaking on behalf of the whole inner group, but is praised personally for his confession, though it is no human insight: he has responded to divine revelation. Tied in with this is Jesus' new name for Simon: Peter, the stone or rock. At first this appears ironic (as Peter will shortly display monumental misunderstanding of Christ's pathway) but later he will have the strength to face greater suffering in Christ's service.

(Based on Matthew 16.13-19.)

News and Events

Please pray for: Mylo who will be confirmed at St Mary's in Old Amersham on 19th July; Jade Read to marry Beau Tardi at St Peter and St Paul Church on Thursday 9th July; and John Joseph Conway to marry Nina Oakley at St Mary's Church Ballinger on Saturday 11th July.

Cream Teas are served every Sunday until the end of September from 3pm-5pm in the Church. Come and enjoy home-made cakes and scones and visit our Sun, Sea and Summer Flower Festival, which will be open from 12noon until 5pm today.

Afternoon Tea in aid of Thames Valley Air Ambulance on Saturday 11th July, 2.30pm-4.30pm, at the Damien Hall, The Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 23 High Street, Great Missenden, HP16 9AA. Tickets £10, which includes tea and cake, available from Samways in Great Missenden. Raffle, Gift and Produce Stalls. Book your table now to avoid disappointment. If you would like to make a donation or buy raffle tickets, please contact Jill York jillelizabathyork@yahoo.co.uk / 07846 534 301

Lee Flower Show. The annual show will take place on Saturday 18th July and St Mary's will be having our usual stall to raise money for the church. We hope to see as many people as possible as it is a really good afternoon out. We will be having our bottle game and Shove Halfpenny, as well as a Lucky Dip for the children so any contributions would be gratefully received. Thank you. Maggi Cameron and Anne Ellis.

Lighthouse Missenden (LHM) needs a Data Protection Officer (DPO) – can you help or do you know someone who can? We are looking for a volunteer to take on the role of DPO, as an advisor to the trustees, to take on a number of Data Protection related tasks. For further information please contact bettina.gothard@lighthousemissenden.org.uk Thank you!

Lighthouse is nearly here (27-31 July 2026), and we'd love you to be part of it. There are lots of different ways to get involved this year, including some new roles, and we're always especially in need of Lighthouse Keepers. You don't have to commit to the whole week – even a day or two really helps. If you're not quite sure what might suit you, do have a look at the website.

We're expecting around 750 children this year, and to be able to welcome as many as possible, we do need more helpers across our teams. If you're able to help. Please do sign up – it really does make a difference.

For more information or to get involved, please visit www.lighthousemissenden.org.uk

Are you able to help Lighthouse Craft? We would welcome donations of:

- balls of wool or remnants;
- kitchen roll centres;
- cereal packets (no nuts);
- Fruit Corner pots (properly washed);
- FT or similar newspaper for covering tables (boring for kids to read!);
- large no neck buttons (an inch wide-ish); and
- mosaic 1" square tiles.

In need of a breath of sea air? (Given this heatwave we all must be!) Much loved, perfectly situated and very well-equipped one-bedroom flat available. Less than ten minutes' walk from Freshwater Bay and close to the downs in a fascinating and historic part of West Wight. Interested? If so, do give me a ring: 07879 427 370. Karen Butler.



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

Chocolate, Cup-a-Soup, Instant Mashed Potato, Long-life Milk, Sponge Puddings, Squash, Sweets, Tinned Carrots, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Ham.

All items must be within BBE date, please.

chiltern.foodbank.org.uk

Please note, you can subscribe to the online version of the Newssheet by contacting the Church Office by email: office@missendenchurch.org.uk