



Chet Valley Churches

Weekly News 16 Sept—16th Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to this church. We hope you will find the service thoughtful, prayerful and a chance to meet with God. If you are new to the church, or are a visitor, do introduce yourself to the person taking the service or to someone near you. The churches in our group have different facilities. The person handing out books can tell you such things as if there is a hearing loop, and if the building has a toilet.

Readings for today

Isaiah 50. 4-9a

James 3. 1-12

Mark 8. 27-end

or Joel 2. 21 – 27

1 Timothy 2. 1 – 7

Matthew 6. 25 - 33



Prayer for today

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Dates for your diary

Tell us what's on! Many of our regular activities are on holiday for August, but September's coming soon..... The contact details for this newsletter are on the back page.

- Sun 16 Sisland Harvest Evening Service, 5pm
- Mon 17 Monday Mardles, 10am-12noon, Chedgrave Church Centre
- Mon 17 Monday evening York Course, 7.30pm, Chedgrave Church Centre
- Tue 18 Senior Citizens' Lunch Club, 12.15, Loddon Junior School (book by Fri via church office)
- Tue 18 Time for Prayer & Space for Reflection, 7.30, St John's Chapel, Loddon
- Tue 18 Chedgrave PCC, 7.45, Chedgrave Church Centre
- Wed 19 Noah's Ark for children and parents, 9.30-12noon, St John's Chapel, Loddon
- Thur 20 Xtra! service, 3.45, St John's Chapel, Loddon (includes Communion)
- Sun 23 Hardley Harvest service, 10.30, then join Loddon for lunch
- Sun 23 Loddon Harvest service and lunch, 10.45am, St John's Chapel (see inside)
- 21-23 Loddon Flower Club 60th anniversary flower festival, 10-4.30 (5pm on Sat), Holy Trinity

Advance Dates

- 26 Sept Loddon JCC, 7.30, St John's Chapel
- 12 Oct Old Tyme Music Hall, Home Grown Style, 7.30pm, Holy Trinity, Loddon
- 19 Oct Evening with Adrian and Bridget Plass (See inside)
- 26 Oct Quiz and Supper, 7pm, Chedgrave (see inside)
- 31 Oct Pumpkin Heroes for Halloween, Holy Trinity Church (carved pumpkins needed please)
- 1 Nov Gravetalk, St John's Chapel, Loddon (Details from Alison Ball on 01508 528126)

Prayers Please...

Please pray for people and situations in the locality and beyond...

Especially let's pray for people for the children and teachers who are starting a new school year or moving on to a new school. On a wider scale let's pray for children in countries where they struggle to achieve an education, sometimes at the risk of family life, and for children for whom even this is an unachievable dream.

Use the Prayer Shower

We have a 'prayer shower' for urgent prayer requests. Contact Val Fryer, email valfryer@btconnect.com tel 01508 520235. Also contact Val if you would like to pray for urgent needs as part of the shower.

Time for Prayer

On Tuesday evenings from 7.30 to 8.30pm we meet at St John's Chapel in Loddon for 'Time for Prayer and Space for Reflection'. On the third Tuesday of the month this takes the form of an informal communion service with blessing. Just turn up or contact Jill Haylock on 01508 520248.

Morning Prayer in Church

You are welcome to come to Morning Prayer at 9am as follows:

Mon & Thurs:	Holy Trinity, Loddon
Tues:	St Margaret's, Hardley
Wed & Sat:	All Saints, Chedgrave
Fri:	St Mary's, Sisland

News and Events

Harvest Services, Lunch and Gifts—IMPORTANT

On 16 and 23 September we have our harvest services, which offer a good opportunity to invite friends or family to come along to church. See below for details....

16 Sept:

- 11am Chedgrave. Donations of non-perishable foods requested, which will go to St Martin's Housing Trust. Bring & Share lunch after the service.
- 5pm Sisland. Evening service for harvest.

23 Sept

- 10.30 Hardley. Harvest service. No lunch, but all are invited to join Loddon.
- 10.45 Loddon, St John's. Donations of foods for the Food Bank requested, if possible to arrive in the week before the service to help decorate the church (details from Genny Godber on 528843). Bring & Share lunch (fork or finger foods) after the service.

Leading Worship

Many people get involved with leading worship in addition to Clergy and Readers, often in an informal service, a small group or other gathering as well as taking part in 'regular' services. Starting on 7 November David Owen will be running a series of meetings that aim to equip and encourage those who take part in leading worship, and would welcome anyone from our churches to come along. The meetings are open to others from across the deanery, so they will be a chance to exchange ideas and views with people from other churches too. Please tell David if you think you might be interested. (522993, email david.chetvalley@gmail.com)



Evening with Adrian Plass—Book Now

On 19 October we have an evening with Adrian and Bridget Plass. It has been publicised beyond the immediate locality and tickets are already selling well. If you've come across Adrian before you'll know he has a slightly sideways look at the church, which is both honest and wonderfully humorous. It promises to be a breath of fresh air and will be a chance for a faith lift for us in the Chet Valley Churches. Tickets are being sold on a first come first served basis, so make sure you don't miss out! Adrian's books are available by order from bookshops, or from Amazon or website www.adrianplass.com/books. Tickets can be bought from the Church Office or from Nina Owen on 522993, email theroamingfenlander@gmail.com

Seniors' Lunch Club

Every Tuesday in term time, starting on 18 Sept, older people have a chance to help teach the school children how to serve others—and you also get a good lunch at the same time! The Seniors' Lunch Club takes place at the Junior School at 12.15, but you need to book your place (and a lift if needed) via the Church Office by the previous Friday if possible.

October Quiz

It's Quiz time at Chedgrave! If you fancy a supper of baked potatoes and fillings followed by puddings from Spooncake, and a chance to join others around your table in a quiz, then put 26 October in your diary (7pm) and buy your tickets from Alison Ball on 528126, email ball880am@btinternet.com Tickets cost £8, concessions £6.50, families £25.

Old Tyme in Loddon

Tickets are available now for a home grown evening of Old Tyme Music Hall entertainment in Holy Trinity, Loddon at 7.30 on 12 October. Tickets are priced £9 (under 16s free of charge) to include the usual excellent interval refreshments. Contact Val Counter on 520702, email valancounter@gmail.com or the Church Office.

Things to Note

Items for ex-prisoners—watch this space

Loving and Giving is an organisation that co-ordinates practical gifts for men leaving prison with nowhere to go. Suggested items for men's backpacks are jumpers, hats and gloves, towels, jeans, jogging bottoms, scarves, sleeping bags, tee shirt, rain macs, men's toiletries, toothpaste, blankets, socks, food bars (flapjack sort), reliable water bottles - all in clean new reusable condition. Daphne Gibson is investigating the possibility of our churches joining in by donating items via the Family Centre at Norwich Prison. Watch this space!

Information

Licensed Clergy

Rev. David Owen 01508 522993
david.chetvalley@gmail.com (Not Thur)

Rev. Ros. Hoffmann 01508 548200
roshoffmann2011@gmail.com (Not Mon)

Rev. Alison Ball 01508 528126
ball880am@btinternet.com (Not Fri)

Rev. Jill Haylock 01508 520248
jillhaylock@aol.com (Not Mon)

Rev. Ernie Bossé 01502 470815
ernestbosse250@gmail.com (Not Mon, Methodist)

Church Office

To contact the Church Office call 01508 521179 or email office@chetvalleychurches.org

The Church Office is just inside the door at St John's Chapel, Loddon. It opens Mon, Tues, Weds & Thur 10am-1pm & Fri 10am-4pm .

Prayer Shower

For situations that need urgent prayer, or to pray for others, contact Val Fryer at valfryer@btconnect.com or 01508 520235

Newsletter Editor

Send items for the Weekly News to news.chetvalleychurches@gmail.com (preferred) or on paper to the Church Office or by phone to the Office on 521179, by Wednesday mid day. Please include your name and phone number or email address.

Newsletter By Email?

Would you like to receive your Weekly News by email, making sure you get the news even if you can't be in church on Sunday? If so, send an email to news.chetvalleychurches@gmail.com

Website, including events diary

(www.chetvalleychurches.org)

To submit information for the website, email website@chetvalleychurches.org

Food Bank Contributions

To donate items to the Norwich Food Bank put them in the collecting boxes in Chedgrave church or St John's Chapel, Loddon.

Services and readings next week—23 September Trinity 17

9.30am	Holy Communion	Chedgrave
10.30am	Harvest service	Hardley (Please join Loddon for lunch)
10.45am	Harvest service	Loddon (NB St John's) (followed by bring & share lunch)

You might take time to look at next week's readings:

Jeremiah 11. 18-20, James 3. 13 - 4. 3, 7-8a, Mark 9. 30-37, *Psalm 54*

Or for harvest:

Joel 2. 21 - 27, 1 Timothy 2. 1 - 7, Matthew 6. 25 - 33, *Psalm 126*

<p>Tailpiece If you want help those who are broken, the secret is not to try and solve their problems, but to walk alongside them in their journey. Adrian Plass</p>
--