



Chet Valley Churches

Weekly News 8 September—12th 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

Deuteronomy 30.15-20

Philemon 1-21

Luke 14.25-33

Psalm 1



Prayer for today

God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Dates for your diary

This section is only useful if you tell us what's on! The contact details for this newsletter are on the back page.

- Mon 9 Monday Mardles, 10am-12noon, Chedgrave Church Centre
- Mon 9 The Monday evening home group re-starts, 7.30pm, Chedgrave Church Centre
- Tue 10 Communion at Saxon House, 2.30pm
- Tue 10 Time for Prayer & Space for Reflection, 7.30, St John's Chapel, Loddon
- Wed 11 Noah's Ark for children and parents, 9.15-12noon, St John's Chapel, Loddon
- Wed 11 Home group, 2.30pm, Lodge Farm, Sisland
- Thur 12 Xtra! service, 3.45pm, St John's Chapel, Loddon
- Sat 14 Sponsored ride, stride or drive (see inside)
- Sat 14 Chedgrave PCC Away Day
- Sun 15 Bring & Share lunch after 11am harvest service, Chedgrave

Advance Dates

- 21 Sept Michael Bubl  tribute concert by Dale Bullimore, 7.30, Holy Trinity, Loddon (See inside)
- 26 Sept Concert by St Nicolas Concert Choir, 7.30pm, Chedgrave church (see inside)
- 28 Sept Ceilidh in aid of Sisland church, 7.30, Langley Village Hall (Details from Jill Haylock)
- 12 Oct Loddon Band Concert, 7.30pm, Holy Trinity, Loddon

Prayers Please...

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

Especially let's pray for those who are starting the school term, either as pupils or teachers, and in particular for those going to new schools. On a wider scale let's pray for all who seek to share their Christian faith in school, both locally and nationally, either through school assemblies or through less formal contacts.

Use the Prayer Shower

We have a 'prayer shower' for urgent prayer requests. Contact Ros Hoffmann email roshoffmann2011@gmail.com tel 01508 548200. Also contact Ros 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:

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

News and Events

Can you Ride, Walk or Drive? Say Hello to Lots of Churches!

On 14 September it's the sponsored walk, ride or drive in aid of the Historic Churches Trust, with half the sponsor money going to the church of your choice. As a fundraiser it has been described as 'money for old rope' meaning it's an easy way for you to benefit the church by making as much or as little effort as you are able. Sponsor forms are now in your church, so think whether you could join in—for instance, what about a day's drive round a part of Norfolk you rarely visit, dropping in to churches as you go? Or a walk round the centre of Norwich? Or even round this area? Whatever you can do, your church treasurer will be grateful!

Monday Home Group—Now Starting This Week

This week the Monday home group will be having its first meeting after the summer break (7.30pm at Chedgrave Church Centre), spending the evening in prayer and looking forward. On 16 & 23 September, 14 & 21 October and 11 & 18 November, there will be a course called THIS? How Christians Respond to Climate Change by Susan Sayers. As Christians who love the Creator, we could be a worldwide, significant and positive example in addressing the present ecological climate. Collectively we could make a huge impact by working in the power of God." If you'd like to attend, contact Jen Hayden on 01508 528454, email jenhayden27@gmail.com as soon as possible.

Michael Bubl  Tribute Concert—21 Sept

On 21 September (not 12 Sept as appeared in Contact!) Michael Bubl  tribute artist Dale Ballimore will be giving a concert in Holy Trinity, Loddon. Tickets priced  9 are available from Val Counter or from the Church Office. The usual interval refreshments will be served. It promises to be an excellent evening's entertainment, so be there!

Chedgrave Congregation—Give your Opinions

Every three years the PCC at All Saints reviews the charities it supports and considers possible changes. This review concludes next month, so if you are part of Chedgrave church please give your opinions. A short form is available at the back of the church detailing suggestions already made but you are welcome to make any others. Written suggestions may be left at the back of the church where they will be picked up daily, or you can email any PCC member.

Concert at Chedgrave

At Chedgrave Church on Thursday 26 September (7.30pm) there's a concert of mainly Danish music given by the St Nicolas Concert Choir from R nne in Denmark. Their conductor is Ilona Lobmayer and their organist is James Lally (who also plays for some of our services). Admission is free, but there will be a retiring collection.

Chairs on the Move

When Barry Gibson took 10 old chairs to the Re-Use shop at the tip he was not expecting what happened next. Jene Wanangura saw the chairs and contacted Barry to see if he could have the rest of the 80 redundant brown chairs from St John's Lecture Hall to take to Dalo Secondary School at Lilongwe, Malawi, where they have NO chairs at present. The chairs will be on their way to Malawi the second week of October as part of a bus-load of items. Jene said he will give us some pictures of the chairs in the school when he comes back again.... a great example of recycle and re-use!

Things to Note

Use the News and the Office

If you know of any news or event taking place within the Chet Valley Churches, please send it to the Weekly News, preferably by email, so it can be publicised (news.chetvalleychurches@gmail.com). Do let the Church Office know too, so it can be put in the diary and avoid clashing with anything else.

Every Church Has One

Each of the churches in the Chet Valley has a notice board, both outside and inside the church. It is what people see when they visit our churches. If yours is not as up-to-date or as attractive as it could be, please give it a helping hand.

Information

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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 & Fri 10am-4pm and Tues, Weds & Thur 10am-1pm .

Prayer Shower

For situations that need urgent prayer, or to pray for others, contact Ros Hoffmann: 01508 548200, roshoffmann2011@gmail.com

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 david.chetvalley@gmail.com

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—15 September Trinity 13

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| 10.45am | Holy Communion | Loddon (Holy Trinity) |
| 11.00am | All Together Worship for Harvest | Chedgrave followed by bring & share lunch |
| 5.00pm | Evening Prayer (BCP) for harvest | Sisland |

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

Exodus 32.7-14, 1 Timothy 1.12-17, Luke 15.1-10, *Psalm 51.1-11*

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| Tailpiece | A friend is someone who is there for you when he'd rather be anywhere else |
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