

# The Finborough and Combs News Sheet

Combs with Gt and Lt Finborough, Buxhall, Onehouse, Harleston and Shelland

**WELCOME** as we keep in touch,  
pray and support each other



**WELCOME to Ven Sally Gaze**  
**Archdeacon of Rural Mission**



**19th July 2020 6th Sunday of Trinity**  
**Rural Mission Sunday** (special Readings)

The Churchwardens have now agreed a plan for:-

- 1) Public worship from 26th July beginning at St Mary's Combs at 4pm-** full details next week but likely to be an 11am Holy Communion each week in one of the larger buildings and Evening Worship outside where they are smaller.
- 2) Zooms will continue** but at **9.30am**
- 3) 'Church' Continues in our minds and hearts** and many are still shielding – so please support others.

Please speak to the clergy (Alison firstly for Combs) or me or Pauline if you know of anyone in difficulty either materially emotionally or spiritually.

I hope many of you will join in the Zoom service of **Holy Communion at 10am**. You might like to light a candle. Following Orthodox tradition, you may wish to join us with a piece of bread as the '**Bread of Fellowship**' given to those in their churches who do not receive the Sacrament.

**Churches Open** Saturday 10-12 and Tuesday 2-4 **St Andrews Gt Finborough**  
Sunday and Wednesdays 2.30-4.30pm **St Mary's Combs**

**Youth and Children Ministry** continues on line, music and activities are available

**Morning Prayer** on Zoom – Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10am..

**Bible Study** on Zoom 4pm on Wednesdays – lead by Canon Pauline.

**Evening Reflective Service on U Tube periodically** – lead by Rev Alison and Andy Little  
Details of Zoom/U Tube links are sent to all for whom I have e mails

**Our Grateful thanks** to the

**Messy Church** teams at Gt Finborough and Combs for all the work they have undertaken for today **and churchwardens** for the displays in their churches.

## Collect for today

Creator God, you made us all in your image:  
May we discern you in all that we see,  
And serve you in all that we do;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## Prayer for Rural Mission Sunday

Creator God,  
there is so much that is strange in our lives at present.  
What is hospitality?  
Help us to pay attention to your creation,  
so that we may see you in the common and everyday.  
Shepherd Jesus,  
as we walk through this rapidly changing world,  
help us to know you walk with us.  
If our path runs through the valley of the shadow  
may we see your light and know your comfort as you lead us.  
Comforting Spirit,  
as we go about our ordinary lives,  
surprise us with glimpses of holy ground.  
Blessed Trinity, Creator, Shepherd, Spirit,  
surround us with your love, now and always. **Amen**



## Readings

### Epistle is taken from Acts 16:12-17

<sup>12</sup> From there we travelled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days.

<sup>13</sup> On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there. <sup>14</sup> One of those listening was a woman from the city of Thyatira named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth. She was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message. <sup>15</sup> [When she and the members of her household were baptized, she invited us to her home. "If you consider me a believer in the Lord," she said, "come and stay at my house."](#) And she persuaded us.

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

### Holy Gospel Matthew 10. 40-42 Glory to You, O Lord

Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me. And anyone who welcomes me also welcomes the one who sent me. Anyone who welcomes a prophet, just because that person is a prophet, will be given the same reward as a prophet. Anyone who welcomes a good person, just because that person is good, will be given the same reward as a good person. And anyone who gives one of my most humble followers a cup of cool water, just because that person is my follower, will surely be rewarded

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ**

## Intercessions



We pray that the hospitality of Christ may be seen in the life of the Churches as well as us individually **in your mercy, hear us**

You have called us into the family of those who are the children of God. May our love for our brothers and sisters both those we live amongst and those far away, be strengthened by your grace.

Jesus Lord of the Church, **in your mercy hear us**

You have called us to be a temple where the Holy Spirit can dwell. Give us clean hands and pure hearts, So that our lives will reflect your holiness. We pray for our Bishops Martin and Mike and for all those encouraging the growth of your church in these changing times

Jesus Lord of the Church, **in your mercy hear us**

You have called us to be a light to the world, so that those in darkness come to you. May our lives shine as a witness to the saving grace you have given for all.

Jesus Lord of the Church, **in your mercy hear us**

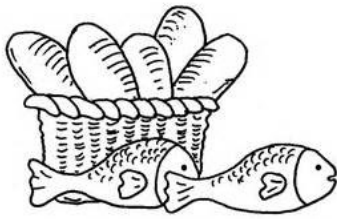
You have called us to be members of your body so that when one suffers all suffer together. We pray for those we know to be sick in mind or body and those bereaved all of whom we now name in the silence of our hearts (*silence*) We pray for those who care for others and those who are engaged in research to alleviate disease and poverty We ask for your comfort and healing power to bring hope to those in distress.

Jesus Lord of the Church, **in your mercy hear us**

You have called us to be the bride, where you, Lord, are the bridegroom. Prepare us for the wedding feast, where all are united with you for ever remembering those who have recently died, Angela Burdett, Liam Fairfull, Donald Griffiths, Terrance Billing, Donald Keeble.

Jesus Lord of the Church, **in your mercy hear us**

**Jesus, Lord of the Church  
hear our prayer,  
and make us one in hearts and mind  
to serve you with joy forever. Amen**



Your donations are very gladly received at this time of considerable need either by being left at the Supermarket in the box provided or in the Box outside the Food Bank in the Community Centre Hillside Stowmarket between 9 and 1 each weekday. **Monetary donations may be made through kindlink which can be reached by their website: [www.livingit.org.uk](http://www.livingit.org.uk) and Foodbank area! There is a red donate button.**

**Stowmarket Foodbank**  
Supporting individuals and families in crisis

**URGENT NEEDS THIS WEEK** Crisps, wrapped cakes and Loo Rolls. THANK YOU.



Are you in need of some daily hope during this lockdown?

We have a new FREE telephone line for you to ring to hear comforting hymns, daily prayers and reflections.

**0800 804 8044**

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND Faith in Later Life CONNECTIONS

**Other on line worship** and resources are available via the Diocesan Website [www.cofesuffolk.org](http://www.cofesuffolk.org) or St Edmundsbury Cathedral [www.stedscathedral.org/](http://www.stedscathedral.org/)

**Thank you** to those who are continuing financial support of their parishes

**Please remember the families and loved ones of those recently died and whose funerals are soon**

Rod Pedge aged 83  
Donald Keeble aged 89  
Liam Fairfull aged 29  
Donald Griffiths aged 93  
Angela Burdett aged 53  
Terrance Billing aged 78

**May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory**

As a Group of Churches we are committed to promoting a 'Safer Church' for all. Information relating to Safeguarding is available in all our churches and from our Diocesan Website <https://www.cofesuffolk.org/safeguarding>

This pew sheet is also now published on village websites including Combs Village by popular request! <http://www.combsvillage.org.uk/st-marys-church/pew-sheets/>

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All information to [combsandfinboroughparishes@aol.com](mailto:combsandfinboroughparishes@aol.com) by the previous Monday please