

The Combs and Finborough News Sheet

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

WELCOME as we keep in touch,
pray and support each other
especially those who cannot come
back to our buildings yet.



25th October 2020

Trinity 20 Last Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to the **Zoom service**. You might like to light a candle. Following Orthodox tradition and 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.

Welcome to **Holy Communion** at St Mary's Combs at 11am

Welcome to **Evening Prayer** at St Augustine of Canterbury Harleston at 3pm

Collect for today

Merciful God,
Teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty
that trusting in your word
and obeying your will
we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ
Our Lord **Amen**



Readings

Epistle – I Thessalonians 2.1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, ²but though we had already suffered and been shamefully maltreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. ³For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, ⁴but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. ⁵As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; ⁶nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ⁷though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. ⁸So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

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

Holy Gospel Matthew 22.34-46 Glory to You O Lord

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" ³⁷He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

⁴¹Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: ⁴²"What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." ⁴³He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, ⁴⁴'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'? ⁴⁵If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" ⁴⁶No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

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

Intercessions

Diocesan Prayer for Generosity

Loving God, you are always with us,
and give us all we need to be your church in Suffolk.
Help us, we pray, to give as we have received:
abundantly, generously, joyfully,
that our worship and our service
may bear witness to your kingdom of unfailing love.
In the name of your son who gave his life for us, Jesus Christ **Amen**

Holy God, give us courage
to tell out your truth without fear,
and to work for your kingdom with joy.
Thank you for the support
and love of other Christians,
and the richness of our varied traditions.
May we focus our attention on you with such love
that all unnecessary divisions between us begin to crumble.

Silence

You are Lord: **there is no other**

Holy God, we pray for our law makers and keepers;
may our laws work to uphold what is just and true.
We pray that we may live
in Godly peace and goodwill through choice,
rather than through fear of punishment.
through the desire to live well,
rather than avoiding detection

Silence

You are Lord: **there is no other**

Holy God, in all our day to day living

may we reject deceit and flattery,
so that our motives and behaviour are honest,
and our love for one another clear as the day.

Silence

You are Lord: **there is no other**

Holy God, we pray for all law breakers and their families;
for those in prison

And those returning to the community.

We pray for those imprisoned by guilt and shame,
or trapped by physical frailty, illness, or paralysis.

We pray for those whose lives are tragically disrupted
by war and famine, poverty and disease

Silence

You are Lord: **there is no other**

Holy God, we remember those who,
dying in faith, rejoice to see you as you are.

We thank you for their example
and commend them to your peace forever.

Silence

You are Lord: **there is no other**

Holy God, we give you thanks for the love
poured out to us each moment of each day,
and ask of you the grace to live our gratitude
and give freely of what we have freely received.

Silence

You are Lord: **there is no other**

Merciful Father

accept these prayers

for the sake of your son

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Stowmarket Foodbank

Supporting individuals and families in crisis

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 and Foodbank area! There is a red donate button.

URGENT NEEDS THIS WEEK Sponge puddings, Angel Delight and tinned hot meals such as chilli, steak and kidney and curry. THANK YOU

Half Term Messy Church

Happy Pumpkins and Saints

No tricks – Just Treats

Half Term Fun bags of activities for primary children

To receive your pack e mail Chris revcchilds@aol.com,

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Remembering the Dear Departed

Common sense dictates that we should not encourage large gatherings even if we are technically allowed to do so. We have decided to remember each person in the church with which they are associated on:-

Ist Nov	11am Combs(Special Service) and	3pm Lt Finborough
8th Nov		3 pm Onehouse
15th Nov	11am Gt Finborough	and 3pm Shelland
22nd Nov		3pm Harleston
6th Dec	11am Buxhall	

Invitations are being sent to all who have lost loved ones recorded in our Registers over the past year and there will be an opportunity to leave a personal memory rather than lighting a candle. **Booking into Chris or Pauline is essential** with the number in your 'bubble' by Thursday. If you would like someone remembered, please let them know and where!

Drive in **Cake Stall**

Wednesday 28th October 11am-1pm

St Marys Church Hall Poplar Hill IP14 2AY



Enquiries to Jenny Straughier 07734 872718 or Jill Woolard on behalf of St Mary's Combs

Donations and cakes etc may be left at the Rectory Poplar Hill before 11am please

Next Week:-

Zoom services continue at 9.30am - Access from revcchilds@aol.com

Ist Nov 11am Remembering the departed Combs 3pm Evening Prayer Lt Finborough

All events are subject to change according to regulation

Morning Prayer on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10am, Bible Study on Wednesdays at 4pm continue on Zoom – ask for details

Michael Green -CMS Missionary working in Ipswich -linked to us

Michael has written of his work in Ipswich over the past few months. All PCC Members have received a copy and if anyone else would like a copy, please let me know

Please remember the families and loved ones of those recently died

Pat Creese, Pat Pannell and Ken Edmunds

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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