

# 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, <sup>2</sup>but 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. <sup>3</sup>For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, <sup>4</sup>but 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. <sup>5</sup>As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; <sup>6</sup>nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, <sup>7</sup>though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. <sup>8</sup>So 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

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

<sup>41</sup>Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: <sup>42</sup>"What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." <sup>43</sup>He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, <sup>44</sup>'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'? <sup>45</sup>If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" <sup>46</sup>No 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 H illside 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.**

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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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