### **NOTICES**

## Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November

6.00pm Calstone: Darkness to Light11.15 Cherhill: Baptism and Morning Worship10.00 Compton Bassett: Holy Communion11.15 Heddington: Morning Worship

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	10.00 Heddington Coffee Morning 7.15 Pray Meeting
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	9.15 Little Fishes
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	1.30pm Home Group at the Rectory
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	10.30 Compton Bassett: Benefice Communion @ Benson Hall

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# 26<sup>th</sup> November Last Sunday before Advent Ephesians 1.15-23 Matthew 25.31-46



Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Next week: Advent Sunday

1 Corinthians 1.3-9 Mark 13.24-37

#### Welcome

We hope you feel welcome at our church and find it a place where you can meet with God. If you are unsure about anything, please ask the person who gave you this sheet.

We love children and we understand they will make some noise; don't worry about it! However, if you feel your youngest ones would benefit from playing quietly in a corner, do ask the people who welcomed you and they can point you in a suitable direction. We may even have the odd book or toy for them to play with.

A loop system may be provided in this church. Please ask or check by switching your hearing aid to the "T" position.

#### Receiving the bread and wine

We have been asked by the Department of Health and the House of Bishops to discourage the dipping of wafers into the chalice as it is considered to increase the risk to others' health. If for any reason you do not wish to drink from the chalice, could I therefore ask you to simply let it pass you by. The Church of England has always taught that it is sufficient to receive just the bread. If you have any questions about this, please speak to me after the service or during the week.

#### PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU

### New Testament Reading: Ephesians 1.15-23

For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

## **Gospel Reading: Matthew 25.31-46**

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

'Then the King will say to those on his right, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was ill and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."

'Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison and go to visit you?"

'The King will reply, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

'Then he will say to those on his left, "Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the

eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was ill and in prison and you did not look after me."

'They also will answer, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or ill or in prison, and did not help you?"

'He will reply, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me."

'Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.'

## Please note that Benefice Communion on 3rd December will be in Benson Hall, Compton Bassett at 10.30am.

#### **Heddington Coffee Morning**

Come along for tea, coffee, cake, and a chat. All welcome Mondays from 10.00-11.30 @ St. Andrews Church

Little Fishes runs most Tuesdays during term time from 9.15am at Compton Bassett Village Hall.

The next **Bible Study** meeting will be on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December @ 7.15pm at The Rectory, Cherhill.....where we meet fortnightly. We are studying passages from the Old Testament prophets. Everyone is welcome to join the group. Please ring Penelope Kilbee for more information...01249 760776.

#### Home Group at the Rectory

The next meeting will be at 1.30pm on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November.