

# **ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, LANGFORD**

(United Benefice of Henlow & Langford)

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## **SUNDAY 21 AUGUST - 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

**WE WELCOME everyone to our Family Service today.**

### **HYMNS**

133 Firmly I believe and truly (tune 2)  
280 Jesus, stand among us  
473 The Church's one foundation

**Reader:** Phil Groom  
**Matthew 16 v.13-20 P.19 in your pew bibles**

### **This week please pray for...**

*All missionaries and their work at home and abroad; Benezeri Kisembo, Bishop of Ruwenzori, Uganda*

*...those who suffer in mind, body or spirit:  
Angie Rigney; Sue Denwood; Ann French;  
Charlie Bingham (Clifton);  
Anthony Smith; Rev Jim Broadbridge; Vi Wheatley; Archdeacon Paul Hughes  
RIP: Brian Jewell (Henlow)  
In Care: Margaret Pickles*

Margaret is still very interested in Langford and welcomes cards, letters and visitors (Park House Nursing Home, Mill Road, Sandy)

**Wed 24<sup>th</sup> 10am Holy Communion**

**Morning Prayer will be said at 9am on Tuesdays and Thursdays in St Andrew's.**

### **Lesson Readers and Intercessors.**

If anyone would like to join the rota for either of these, please see Mary. Help and guidance is available, if wanted. Readers' turns come up every 3-4 months, intercessors' about every 2 months.

### **Sponsored Bike Ride**

This takes place on 10 September. The Riches family are planning to take part and would be pleased to have your sponsorship.

### **Mercy Ships Tea Afternoon**

Thanks to several more generous donations we have reached £305!

### **Deanery Church Crawls**

The new deanery of Ampthill & Shefford is providing an opportunity for everyone in the deanery to discover other churches in their communities. It is hoped that this will help to widen horizons and enable people to discover different ways of expressing church life.

Church openings continue on the **27<sup>th</sup> August**. Please see the poster in the porch for the list of open churches and times.

### **Wind Farm**

A public meeting will take place on 10th September in Langford Village Hall. An agenda is not available at present.

### **Baptism Visitor Preparation**

Baptism preparation will take place on Tuesday 22 August at 2pm in the Church Hall. If you would like to volunteer please see Rev. Sue.

### **Back to Church Sunday is on September 25<sup>th</sup>:**

Back to Church Sunday is all about personal invitation. One person reaching out to another to invite them back to church. And your invitations make a difference.

"One man said he'd never been to church in his life before. He said he'd enjoyed the service and would come again!"

Blackburn Diocese

"One man was moved to tears at the Gospel message the service presented; Jesus Christ meets us where we are and as we are."

St Albans Diocese

"One lady had been thinking about coming back to church for a while and this gave her the incentive she needed."

Sheffield Diocese

During the weeks ahead pray for an opportunity to invite someone back to church. Take an invitation card from the back of church and use it.