

**St John the Baptist, Great Gaddesden
St Peter and St Paul, Little Gaddesden
St Lawrence, Nettleden**

All bible readings are from the Lectionary, Year A

Sunday, 13th September, Trinity 14

9.30 am	Nettleden	Morning Prayer	(HT/AWA-pr)
12.00 pm	Great Gaddesden	Holy Baptism for Finnley Sutton	

Tuesday, 15th September

10.30 am	Little Gaddesden via Zoom	Coffee and Cake. Please contact Barbara Sheard on 01442 843591	
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Wednesday, 16th September

10.00 am	On-line Podcast	Podcast on Hildegard of Bingen	(HT)
7.55pm	Via Zoom	Mid-Week Discussion Group –Some Women in the Old Testament. Contact Anthony Archer for meeting details	

Friday, 18th September

11.00 am	Little Gaddesden	Funeral	
		The church will be closed after this service	

Sunday, 20th September, Trinity 15

9.30 am	Little Gaddesden	Joint Parish Worship	(JR)
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Monday, 21st September

7.00pm	Little Gaddesden	APM and APCM meeting in the church and via Zoom. More details on back page	
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www.nettledenchurch.org.uk
www.foggc.co.uk
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The Collect

Almighty God,
whose only Son has opened for us
a new and living way into your presence:
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills
to worship you in spirit and in truth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

HOLY SCRIPTURE

The Old Testament Reading

Genesis 50:15-21

¹⁵ Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' ¹⁶ So they approached Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷ "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸ Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.'¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God?' ²⁰ Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹ So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Psalms 103 verses 1-7

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me praise his holy Name.
Praise the Lord, O my soul: and forget not all his benefits;
Who forgiveth all thy sin: and healeth all thine infirmities;
Who saveth thy life from destruction: and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness;
Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things: making thee young and lusty as an eagle.
The Lord executeth righteousness and judgement: for all them that are oppressed with wrong.
He shewed his ways unto Moses: his works unto the children of Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

The Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

²¹ Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' ²² Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

²³ 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴ When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; ²⁵ and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." ²⁹ Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." ³⁰ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹ When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³² Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" ³⁴ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. ³⁵ So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

Worship in our churches:

Spaces are limited – approx. 35 people to maintain social distancing

Wearing of face masks is now mandatory. There will be some available on the door

The service will be recorded and it is intended to make it available on the website by

12 noon on the given day

We will take a register of those attending worship.

Safeguarding Officers:

Great Gaddesden and Nettleden: Heather Tisbury, 01582 842807

Little Gaddesden: James Mitchell, 01442 842710

All information for the Pew Sheet by Thursday 9.00am to:

Helene Hockings, tel: 01442 842493, admin-church@outlook.com

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Anglican Church of South America and the Presiding Bishop of the Anglican Church of South America and Bishop of Argentina, The Most Revd Gregory James Venables and all other clergy and congregations in that province.

Prayer Areas: Bridgewater Arms area, Church Meadow, Nettleden Road,
All those who run small businesses

Sick: Pat Fraser-Beck

Recently Departed: Arthur Wooster

Anniversaries: Constance Emma Lane, Dilys Ball, Jane Humbert,
Geoffrey Eccles, Nicholas Sladden

Please pray especially for Finnley Sutton who is to be baptised today in Great Gaddesden Church. We pray for his parents, Godparents and family.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES (*subject to change due to use on Sunday for services*)

Great Gaddesden Church:
Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings 10am – Noon.
For other times, please phone the Vicar (01442 214898) or Heather Tisbury 01582 842807

Little Gaddesden Church:
the church will now be open

Nettleden Church:
9am-10am on Sundays when there's no service

Please check the church websites for up-to-date information

The APCM for Little Gaddesden Church will take place on Monday 21st September at 7.00pm in the church following social distancing guidelines. There will also be a Zoom meeting arranged for those who do not wish to attend the meeting in person. For this, please send your email details to Terri Adams (pcc.secretary@littlegaddesdenchurch.org.uk) or Helene Hockings (a_dmin-church@outlook.com).

For Great Gaddesden, the APCM will be on Monday 5th October at 7.30pm in the church and on Zoom. For more details and to indicate you would like to attend, please contact Langying Burley or the Vicar.