

Parish News

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6.00pm Evensong at Nettleden on the 3rd Sunday of the month
5th Sunday in the month – Joint Eucharist at 9.00am at
Nettleden Church

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Dear Friends,

The parties and pageant of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee are over and life is returning to something like normal, post pandemic, yet we find ourselves still in the middle of a war not of our choosing (are wars ever of our choosing?).

With all the hardship and depravation being faced by people all over the world with, I'm sure, every imaginable kind of suffering, the times are daunting to say the very least and we need to constantly challenge our own response.

On the final day of the long bank holiday, on the Sunday, the church celebrated the feast of Pentecost, which was to mark the coming of the Holy Spirit after Jesus had Ascended into heaven. However, it was unfortunately somewhat lost this year amongst all the Jubilee activities. The following Sunday is Trinity Sunday, when the church ponders one of the great mysteries of faith – God being one and God being three – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The church then moves into so-called Ordinary Time. This time is marked in church by the green altar frontals and vestments, used until the weeks approaching Advent.

Now 'Ordinary Time' may sound rather boring, as if nothing out of the ordinary will happen, but perhaps a period without too much happening is a good thing, given what the world is facing, to consider our true response?

Time is very precious and as we get older the passing of time seems to gain speed, and it reminds me of a prayer I sometimes use during a funeral service, and it is directed to the living, not the departed, because truth be told, a funeral is as much for the living as for the person who has died:

*Grant us Lord, the wisdom and the grace to use rightly the time that is left to us here on earth. Lead us to repent of our sins, both the evil we have done and the good we have not done; and strengthen us to follow the steps of your Son, in the way that leads to the fullness of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.***

These next few months of Ordinary Time need not be too ordinary or dull. Time, we are often reminded, is a precious commodity. Are we not told, if not by Jesus directly, certainly by implication, to live each day as if our last?

Charles Darwin wrote this:

‘One who dares to waste one hour of time has not discovered the value of life’.

So let us savour our time always, whether it’s ‘ordinary’ or not and use it for good as best we can, amongst our families and friends and those around us. Let us take a more active interest in our communities because a fire has been lit - there has been so much that is positive to come out of the time of the Platinum Jubilee. Let’s not lose that momentum or waste a second of all that has been gained and pray to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit for peace and reconciliation in our troubled world.

I wish you a wonderful summer.

I am yours in Christ.

John.



The Big Butterfly Count 2022

The Big Butterfly Count is a nationwide citizen science survey aimed at assessing the health of the environment. This has become the world's biggest survey of butterflies. This year, the Butterfly Count is taking place between Friday 15th July and Sunday 7th August.

The idea is simple – download the Big Butterfly Count app on www.natural-apptitude.co.uk/project/big-butterfly-count/ or download a butterfly chart from www.bigbutterflycount.butterfly-conservation.org and join in by sitting in a bright (preferably sunny) spot for 15 minutes noting which butterflies you see. If you are counting from a fixed position in your garden (or anywhere you like), count the maximum number of each species that you can see at a single time. This prevents us counting butterflies more than once.

Please remember that if you don't see any butterflies, then record that too. It is very important to know where the butterflies are not being seen as it is to know where they are thriving. You can do as many counts as you like and submit separate records for different dates at the same place or for different places that you visit. Record your sightings on-line (these can be submitted throughout July and August). All counts can be viewed on the interactive map.

The decline in butterflies is an early-warning for other wildlife losses. Butterflies are key biodiversity indicators for scientists as they react very quickly to changes in their environment. The website is **bigbutterflycount.butterfly-conservation.org**

Superbloom at the Tower of London

To celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, over 20 million seeds have been sown in the moat of the Tower of London. These will develop and change over the course of the summer to create a beautiful, new naturalistic landscape. Designed to attract pollinators, 'Superbloom' will bring a wonderful natural beauty to this urban space and introduce a new biodiverse habitat for wildlife. It will celebrate the value of nature.

This display will be open from June to September and will evolve and change over the months. A free public viewing area is available without pre-booking or tickets. If you wish to walk through the moat, adult tickets are £12.00, concessions (16-17, 65+) are £9.60, child (5-15) £6.00. Family tickets can also be obtained. Alternatively, tickets are available to view the moat and the Tower of London together. Walking through the moat should take around 30 minutes. Extended Superbloom opening times in July and August are Thursday – Saturday 18.00 to 22.30. The last time slot for Superbloom-only entry is 21.00 – 21.15. Members of Historic Royal Palaces can take advantage of a discount on entry prices. For more information, visit www.hrp.org.uk



Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Thank you to everyone who came to see the displays in the church on the Saturday of the Jubilee weekend. Four display areas were set up: how Jubilees have been celebrated in the past, LG School histories, valuable Parish Records and vestments and silver. There were also trips up the Tower led by Peter

Leonhardt, which were popular as always. Many people came to view the different displays and excellent feed-back was received. Enhanced flower displays were also in the church and thank you to Anne Isherwood and her team for the beautiful arrangements. Refreshments were also service in the Thomas Field Hall. It is hoped that this type of event could be repeated regularly, perhaps on the Patronal Service

CHILDREN'S PAGE

In Jesus' time farmers didn't have chemicals to help grow their crops, and weeds were a big problem. They grew up in amongst the wheat and the barley, but they were useless and worth nothing.

Jesus told this parable:

The Kingdom of Heaven is like this: A man sowed good seed in his field. One night, when everyone was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. When the plants grew and the ears of corn began to form, then the weeds grew up. The man's servants came to him and said, 'Sir, it was good seed you sowed in your field; where did the weeds come from?' 'It was some enemy who did this,' he answered. 'Do you want us to go and pull up the weeds?' they asked him. 'No,' he answered, 'because as you gather the weeds you might pull up some of the wheat along with them. Let the wheat and the weeds both grow together until harvest. Then I will tell the harvest workers to pull up the weeds first, tie them in bundles and burn them, and then to gather in the wheat and put it in my barn.'

St Matthew ch.13 v. 24-30



Unscramble the words below and draw a line to the sheaf of wheat from those which are good and to the fire from those which are bad.

WHICH PATH has the most sheaves for the farmer to collect?



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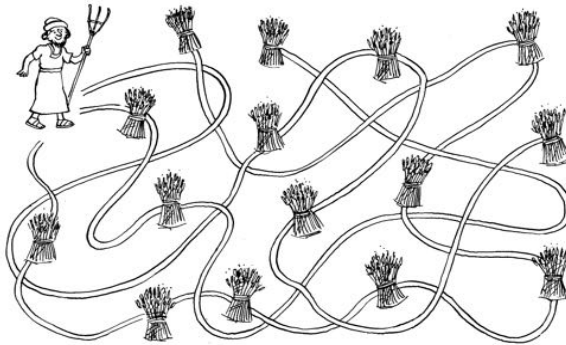
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People who listen to Jesus and live good lives loving God are like the ATHEW _____. Those people who do not want to love God are like the ESDEW _____. Jesus knew that not everyone would follow him and find God's Kingdom, but those who did would feel God's love for them.

The Rolling English Road **G K Chesterton (1874-1936)**

Before the Romans came to Rye, or out to Severn strode,
The rolling English drunkard made the rolling English road.
A reeling road, a rolling road, that rambles round the shire,
And after him the parson ran, the sexton and the squire;
A merry road, a mazy road, and such as we did tread,
The night we went to Birmingham by way of Beachy Head.

I knew no harm of Bonaparte and plenty of the Squire,
And for to Fight the Frenchman I did not much desire;
But I did bash their baggonets because they came arrayed
To straighten out the crooked road an English drunkard made,
Where you and I went down the lane with ale-mugs in our hands,
The night we went to Glastonbury by way of Goodwin Sands.

His sins they were forgiven him; or why do flowers run
Behind him; and the hedges all strengthening in the sun?
The wild thing went from left to right and knew not which was which,
But the wild rose was above him when they found him in the ditch.
God pardon us, not harden us: we did not see so clear
The night we went to Bannockburn by way of Brighton Pier.

My friends, we will not go again or ape an ancient rage,
Or stretch the folly of our youth to be the shame of age,
But walk with clearer eyes and ears this path that wandereth,
And see undrugged in evening light the decent inn of death;
For there is good news yet to hear and fine things to be seen,
Before we go to Paradise by way of Kensal Green.

G K Chesterton's much-loved poem was published in 1913 - it was written to warn the British people that Prohibition, the restriction of sales of alcoholic drinks then making its way through the US courts, posed a threat to our own rights which would come here soon if we didn't watch out. With its lively rhythm, exuberant use of alliteration

and entertainingly weird journey routes, the poem was instantly popular - after all, reducing access to beer is just as un-British as is a dead straight (Roman) road! Chesterton doesn't so much encourage drinking as to looking back with a tolerant eye on the alcohol-related escapades of youth. The fourth verse is interesting in the way that, despite GK composing the poem in his late 30s, the perspective is that of a much older, though still optimistic man – and the last line fun of the earlier verses is toned down somewhat with the reminder that Kensal Green Cemetery is a necessary point on one's final journey.

G K Chesterton was an extraordinarily prolific writer: of novels (The Napoleon of Notting Hill, The Man who was Thursday, the Father Brown detective stories), poems (Lepanto, the Donkey), hymns (O God of earth and altar), lives of the saints and philosophical and political studies, as well as countless literary reviews and essays. Though he was baptised into the Church of England, his family were Unitarian; after his marriage he returned to (very high) Anglicanism before converting to Roman Catholicism in his late 40s. He had many literary friends with whom he loved debating, often in public: they included George Bernard Shaw, H G Wells and Bertrand Russell. He also ran Oscar Wilde pretty close as a reliable source of quotations and epigrams:

'The Bible tells us to love our neighbours, and also to love our enemies, probably because generally they are the same people.'

'The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting, it has been found difficult; and left untried.'

'Art, like morality, consists of drawing the line somewhere.'

And of course,

'Poets have been mysteriously silent on the subject of cheese.'

Nick Murray

The Pilgrimage to St Margaret's

On Wednesday, July 20th, the feast day of Saint Margaret, we will be walking from the Church at Little Gaddesden to the site of Ivinghoe Priory, which is not in the village of that name, below the Beacon, but next to St Margaret's Farm near Great Gaddesden, where we will hold a short service. We will leave the church at 6.00pm, arriving around 6.30pm.

Ivinghoe Priory was shut down almost 500 years ago, in the Dissolution of the Monasteries masterminded by Thomas Cromwell, at the behest of his master, King Henry VIII. Nothing now remains above ground, although some of the priory buildings, converted to a manor house in Elizabethan times, remained until early in the 19th century. All that is left are some turf mounds, the outline of a fishpond and some dying trees, stark white against the sky.

Yet for almost 400 years women worshipped here, tended their gardens, nursed the surrounding community through plague and peril, the Wars of the Roses, and starvation, and prayed and sang to the glory of God. 400 years is a long, long time, almost 20 generations. If we go back a similar period from the present time, King James I would have been on the throne, and the Bridgwaters would have only just arrived at Ashridge.

We know little about St Margaret of Antioch, indeed she may never have existed. She was very popular in the Medieval period, when many churches were dedicated to her, including St Margaret's, Westminster, next to the Abbey and Parliament. Margaret was one of the saints who appeared to Joan of Arc. She was supposed to have been beheaded in the 4th Century and, earlier, to have been swallowed by the devil in the form of a dragon, which regurgitated her when her crucifix got stuck in its throat. Even though the Vatican has questioned her existence, she remains popular.

We know much more about the Priory, which undoubtedly did exist. We have the names of most of the prioresses, and details of some visitations by the Bishops of Lincoln, in which they adjudicated on some allegations of scandal, unfounded, unlike those at nearby Great Missenden. We also have the valuation of the Priory on its dissolution.

Above all, because the women followed the Benedictine Rule, we know how they would have worshipped, the details of their daily offices, and the very words they would have spoken. The Priory has gone but it remains a holy place.

Please do come on our short pilgrimage and remember these women who prayed to God, tended to his creatures, human and animal, and kept the Christian flame burning at times of great darkness. If you can't walk with us, please meet at St Margaret's around 6.30pm

ROGER BOLTON

PS. There are copies of my small book about Ivinghoe Priory, "The Women of the Woods", for sale in the church. Please pay what you can afford. All proceeds will go to our church.

Cathedrals at Night

St Albans Cathedral

Friday 29th July and Friday 26th August

From 7.00pm – 9.00pm

FREE

Lose yourself in the beauty of the Cathedral as it moves from daylight to dusk at these reflective evenings. See stunning architecture and medieval wall paintings brought to life and hear from characters from the Cathedral's Tudor past.

No need to book, just go along and enjoy the atmosphere of the Cathedral and mingle with the Tudor characters.

WELCOME JULY

Is it me, or was June the most beautiful month ever? Throughout April and May, trees and hedges were greening up, bluebells arrived, May blossom appeared on time and in all its glory. It was mostly quite cold but before June got here the swifts had arrived (yea!!!) and swallows, martins, chiff chaffs (although some probably winter here) and so many other welcome summer visitors. Fledglings took over the feeders, demanding anything that the put-upon parents could deliver. Everywhere, the trees shone with lively greenery.

A daily visitor to the peanut feeder is a female great spotted woodpecker (they have a red belly but don't have the red marking on the head). She spends ages filling up on peanuts for her young. The other visitors, smaller songbirds, keep their distance, don't go near the peanut feeder, just taking a quick run at the sunflower hearts, clearly aware of her fearsome beak as she swaggers in and claims the peanuts for 5 minutes or more. I've noticed that both parents will escort the fledglings on their first foray, feeding them but they soon tire of this and start warning them off with a couple of quick pecks with those bully boy beaks. And then they complain that no-one likes them. Honestly!

There are now gangs of unruly blue tits and great tits, argumentative goldfinches, heartwarming when you consider how many predators are out to get them. Nuthatches will appear now, Bill the bandits, who the other birds also give a wide berth to. Siskins, greenfinches, chaffinches, blackbirds, robins and more all become quite bold in their determination to feed their demanding young. Unfortunately, so are magpies and the other crow family. The influential anorak model, Chris Packham has a lot to answer for as he is responsible for banning their trapping.

I have not heard a cuckoo yet, has anybody? You may hear a tiny whitethroat across Northchurch Common, where the gorse is, and at College Lake, a scratchy little song. I can never get over the thought of the thousands of miles to and from Africa this teeny-weeny little bird

flies each year. The strength and navigation required are just awesome. Also starring at College Lake in June - get there soon and you will still find orchids: the pyramidals flower later than the common spotted so still worth looking for. You should also find bee orchids if you walk along the path to the left, then take the lower path into the trees, closer to the lake. Keep walking and it will bring you to a large hide closer to the water and just before an alpine-looking, scooped out area on the left, you will see the orchids. Also, along the path you may see some beautiful native geraniums. There is a pond just before the hide, loads of dragonflies which are amazing creatures. I read somewhere that they survived the ice age.

Continue along to a gate and, at that point, I join the top path and return, drawn by the thought of a coffee at the caff. It's not a long way, possibly about a mile and a half with loads of sitting down opportunities; these days, my idea of a good walk. I consider myself a happy bunny if I spot any lapwings, it's the visual equivalent to hearing skylark.

Josie Jeffrey



Village Produce Market

**Saturdays - 2nd July, 6th August and 3rd September
from 9.30am to 12.30pm**

in

Little Gaddesden Village Hall, HP4 1NX

Variety of Stalls to suit all tastes

Contact: Jane 07966 187304

Breakfast baps available all morning, plus tea and coffee

Free Entry

Please support this local initiative

The Parochial Church Council Meeting

The Parochial Church Council usually meets every 3 months.

At the meeting on 13th June 2022, a number of decisions were taken and issues discussed. The Officers of the PCC were elected.

Sincere thanks were given to Barbara Sheard who is stepping down as Churchwarden and who will now be the PCC Secretary. The Thomas Field Hall would not have been achieved without her considerable talents.

We reviewed the Finances, which are broadly satisfactory, and discussed budget priorities for the coming year, and our possible response to the inflation crisis and its likely impact on the less advantaged.

It was decided to stick with the present pattern of Services and their timings.

The date for the Harvest festival was fixed for September 18th.

(The response to Café Church had been particularly gratifying.)

THE JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

The displays in the church were greatly appreciated and well attended, with particular praise for the flower arrangements as well as for the remarkable archive. We intend to have such displays on a more regular basis, perhaps based around the Patronal Service.

THE ETHICS FORUMS

Two had been held so far (on the Right to Die and The Just War principles) and had been enjoyed by the 40-50 people who had attended.

Another Forum will be held in the autumn, possibly on sexuality or on whether animals have souls. (Suggestions welcomed).

SAFEGUARDING

This continues to be a priority and 11 members of the Gaddesden parishes had attended a seminar in the Thomas Field Hall run by Heather Tisbury. There are no outstanding concerns at the moment.

YOUNG PEOPLE

Different ideas were discussed to resolve the almost intractable problem of attracting young people and teenagers to Church. Much thought was given to strengthening the relationship between Little Gaddesden School and the church.

LAY WORSHIP LEADERS

In anticipation of continuing problems with finding sufficient priests, the Rector outlined his plans to recruit more Lay readers and for greater participation of the congregation

DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS IN 2022

These will be held on the 19th September and the 8th of December.

NB

The Council is very keen to hear your views about any of the above issues and about anything which you think the Council should be discussing. Wishes for anonymity will be respected. Details of who is on the PCC are on church noticeboards and in the June 2022 Parish News.

Roger Bolton

For those of you interested in crosswords, anagrams and Scrabble words, here are a few amusing anagrams to ponder over:

PRESBYTERIAN	becomes	BEST IN PRAYER
ASTRONOMER	becomes	MOON STARER
DESPERATION	becomes	A ROPE ENDS IT
THE EYES	becomes	THEY SEE
GEORGE BUSH	becomes	HE BUGS GORE
THE MORSE CODE	becomes	HERE COME DOTS
DORMITORY	becomes	DIRTY ROOM
SLOT MACHINES	becomes	CASH LOST IN ME
ANIMOSITY	becomes	IS NO AMITY
ELECTION RESULTS	becomes	LIES – LET’S RECOUNT
SNOOZE ALARMS	becomes	ALAS! NO MORE Z’S
A DECIMAL POINT	becomes	I’M A DOT IN PLACE
THE EARTHQUAKES	becomes	THAT QUEER SHAKE
ELEVEN PLUS TWO	becomes	TWELVE PLUS ONE

Please send any more you know of or ones you have made up to the PN Editors.

Submitted by Mike Walsham



Incendiary Vestments

Some of the highlights of our Jubilee exhibition in the Church this June were the gorgeously coloured copes. Our Rector had somehow found some mannequins' dummies (without heads, fortunately) upon which to display them in all their green, red, gold, silver and purple glory.

I thought they looked wonderful, although in the Evangelical branch of the C of E, in which I was brought up, I know that they would have been looked at askance. There would have been mumblings along the lines of - "Mmm, bit close to Rome." There would have been similar responses when worshippers crossed themselves, turned to the altar when saying the creed, and when the Rector kissed the Holy Book. At least there is no incense to offend their nostrils.

My childhood Anglican church had little time for symbols and rituals and concentrated on the Word. The priests wore black and white, and we were not encouraged to join diocesan parades led by a mitred bishop, carrying his staff.

In retrospect, this all seems a little petty.

As long as we do not impart some magical significance to them, symbols and rituals can assist in focusing the mind on God, and contemplation of His Son. What is wrong with that? Almost 500 years ago, when the C of E was in its post Reformation infancy, the answer from its Puritan wing was – just about everything. Tolerance was in short supply.

In 1563, Foxe's Book of Martyrs was published in English and was a phenomenal success. It detailed the sufferings of exclusively protestant martyrs during the reign of the "Bloody Mary", the Queen who had tried to reverse Henry 8th's changes. (There were, of course, Roman Catholics burned, hung, drawn and quartered as well in those turbulent times.) Following its publication, the puritans set off for the Convocation of Canterbury. According to the historian Stephen Tomkins:-

"There was considerable support among bishops and clergy for a motion to abolish all priestly robes, saints' days, organs, singing in parts and the sign of the cross, and to deter worshippers from kneeling. It failed by one vote, thanks to the manoeuvres of Archbishop Parker".

One vote!

This was too much for Queen Elizabeth, who was determined to avoid 'looking into men's souls', and wanted a united, national church to end the appalling, and often fatal, disputes that had set Christian against Christian. She ordered Archbishop Parker to take action against the religious 'varieties, novelties, and diversities that were affecting the realm'.

In March 1566, together with Bishop Grindal of London, the Archbishop summoned the London clergy to Lambeth Palace. He then dressed a minister in regulation robes, set him on an ecclesiastical catwalk, and told each cleric to choose: conform to the model set before them or be discharged from the ministry.

37 out of 110 refused and were suspended for a three-month cooling off period.

There was uproar in London churches. People were put under house arrest, robed clerks were refused entrance to funeral services, and members of a church in Milk Street stole the wafer and the wine while the priest was reading the lesson, to stop him presiding in his vestments. Eventually, things quietened down and a further 23 rebel ministers submitted, leaving 14 permanently deprived.

One puritan minister who conformed said, "We are killed in the soul of our souls for this pollution of ours".

Bishop Grindal wrote:

"It is scarcely credible how this controversy about things of no importance has disturbed our churches".

For the rest of Elizabeth's reign an uneasy truce remained. Some disaffected puritans, the so-called Pilgrim Fathers, would later leave the church and set sail in the Mayflower for the new world. Others remained, and their successors led the opposition to King Charles 1st in the Civil War, which resulted in his execution and that of an Archbishop of Canterbury.

I thought of all this as I looked at the display in our church, and was thankful that, today, all Christians who have been baptised, are welcome at the Communion table in Little Gaddesden, and are encouraged to love their neighbour.

ROGER BOLTON

BOMBING
(A small girl's memories)

When the sirens went, Rob and I hid beneath the neighbours' table
Warm & cosy we would sleep until the 'all clear' sounded.
One morning, we went to see what the Luftwaffe had left.
Not too much, it's where the bomb had grounded
Losing my black doll Barbara, left me quite bereft.

Moving on, another flat and the Luftwaffe made another pass.
We were there when the bombs struck.
I remember the kind men who carried us out, past the broken glass.
We were all safe,
For there were no monsters trampling over our remains.

Dad was posted to St. Brides, so, another roof over our heads,
Fresh food, other beds,
A nice new school with air raid shelters. We had survived.
and life went on.
Luckily, it was not Mariupol
Or the other blasted ground where civilization once had thrived
They are all gone.

Josie Jeffrey

From the Registers:

27 th May	Funeral	Colin Mogg
8 th June	Memorial Service	John Marrick Dickson
19 th June	Holy Baptism	Joseph Michael McMorran

Prayer Page

Eternal God,
from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed:
kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all, the true love of peace
and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom
those who take counsel for the nations of the earth
that in tranquility your kingdom may go forward,
until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

A Grace

The food which we are about to eat
is Earth, Water and Sun, compounded through the
alchemy of many plants.
Therefore Earth, Water and Sun will become part of us.
This food is also the fruit of the labour of many beings and creatures.
We are grateful for it.
May it give us strength, health and joy
and may it increase our love.

Amen

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Deadline Date: Friday 19th August

Mid-Week Services		
Tuesday	9.00am Holy Communion	Great Gaddesden
Thursday	10.00am Holy Communion	Little Gaddesden

CHURCH SERVICES – JULY and AUGUST 2022

I 3rd July – Trinity 3 / Festival of St Peter & St Paul		
9.00am	Morning Prayer	Nettleden
9.30am	Patronal Service (with Sunday School)	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Parish Communion	Great Gaddesden
6.00pm	Evening Worship	Little Gaddesden
II 10th July – Trinity 4		
9.00am	Morning Prayer	Nettleden
9.30am	Café Church	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Café Church	Great Gaddesden
III 17th July – Trinity 5		
9.30am	Parish Communion (with Sunday School)	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Parish Communion	Great Gaddesden
6.00pm	Evensong	Nettleden
IV 24th July – Trinity 6		
9.00am	Morning Prayer	Nettleden
9.30am	Parish Communion	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Parish Communion	Great Gaddesden
V 31st July – Trinity 7		
9.00am	Joint Parish Communion	Nettleden
I 7th August – Trinity 8		
9.00am	Morning Prayer	Nettleden
9.30am	Parish Communion	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Parish Communion	Great Gaddesden
6.00pm	Evening Worship	Little Gaddesden
II 14th August – Trinity 9 / Festival of St Laurence		
9.00am	Morning Prayer – Patronal Festival	Nettleden
9.30am	Café Church	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Café Church	Great Gaddesden
III 21st August – Trinity 10		
9.30am	Parish Communion	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Parish Communion	Great Gaddesden
6.00pm	Evensong	Nettleden
IV 28th August – Trinity 11		
9.00am	Morning Prayer	Nettleden
9.30am	Parish Communion	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Parish Communion	Great Gaddesden
I 4th September – Trinity 12		
9.00am	Morning Prayer	Netteden
9.30am	Parish Communion	Little Gaddesden
11.00am	Parish Communion	Great Gaddesden
6.00pm	Evening Worship	Little Gaddesden