

Notices continued:

Knit and Stitch: The next meeting of the Knit and Stitch Group is at 10.30am on Thursday 1st September. Creatures for the Harvest of the Sea (October 2nd 11.15am followed by Bring and Share lunch) are coming along nicely and small items for sale at the Christmas Tree Festival in aid of charity are also being crafted in various mediums. Do come and join us; more details Mary: 638897 or Geraldine: 727489

Historic Churches Cycle ride: This year's event is happening on Saturday 10th September. Sponsor forms are available now at the back of the church. Volunteers are needed on the day to sit in church and register cyclists when they visit St Michael's, there is a sign-up sheet at the back of church. Thank you.

The Healing Team: Two members of the Healing Group will be in our Space for Grace after the 9.30 service today for anyone to share their concerns, doubts, fears or worries. It is done in complete confidence.

Building work volunteers needed: Volunteers are needed to help with the tower louvre replacement work on the following dates Monday and Tuesday 19th/20th and 26th/27th September starting at 9.00 a.m. Anybody interested please speak to Victor Finch or Jeremy Schofield.

Sunday School Activities: The Sunday school activities team are taking a break now but are looking forward to starting again on Sunday 11th September.

Bible Study Group: Bible study will resume afternoon sessions on Fridays with Edith leading the group. It will be held in Elizabeth Crean's house in Castle Street, 2.30-4, starting on Friday 9th September. All are welcome. For more information please contact: Edith Peck on 01728 724859 edithpeck@yahoo.com

Food Bank: Donations for the church food bank bin are urgently needed. The food from our bin in church is taken to the Salvation Army in Woodbridge who are always in need of donations and even have to buy in food in order to have enough to go round. I know we are always being asked to give to good causes, but if you can keep popping something in our bin it would be much appreciated. Thank you.

The
Church of Saint Michael
Framlingham
with All Saints Saxtead



The fourteenth Sunday After Trinity - August 28th 2016

Today's Service:

Processional Hymn: 623 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven!

Gradual Hymn: 120 Come down, O Love divine

Offertory Hymn: 321 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

Final Hymn: 574 O praise ye the Lord!

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 forever. Amen.

First Reading: Proverbs 25.6–7

6 Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; 7 for it is better to be told, 'Come up here,' than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

For the word of the Lord.

Response (ALL) Thanks be to God.

Gradual hymn: 120 Come down, O Love divine

GOSPEL: Luke 14.1, 7–14:

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Response (ALL): Glory to you O Lord.

1 On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. 7 When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 8 ‘When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; 9 and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, “Give this person your place,” and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. 10 But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, “Friend, move up higher”; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. 11 For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.’ 12 He said also to the one who had invited him, ‘When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. 13 But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. 14 And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Response (ALL): Praise to you O Christ.

Post Communion: Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please pray for: Nicholas Nottidge, Angela Long, Doreen Burrows, Michael Bridges, Olwin Bridges, Desmond and Renee Clifton, Trevor Newton, Joyce Davis and any who are unwell at this time.

Please also pray for: Henry and Gemma Tapp who were married here a year ago and will be celebrating their first wedding anniversary tomorrow.

Notices:

Shirley Lock: A celebration of her Life, Aldeburgh Parish Church, Friday 2 September 11.30am. Please wear colourful clothes.

The Bells of St Michael’s:

On Saturday 10th September there will be two opportunities to see and chime these bells, two of which date from the 15th century. The visits are timed at 2pm and 3pm and those wishing to take part please meet in church by the entrance to the vestry under the organ. For safety reasons all children under the age of 16 should be accompanied by an adult and because one has to climb many steps suitable footwear should be worn. Bring your camera. Don Robinson **East Suffolk Morris Men** are arranging a Morris Weekend in Framlingham. On Sunday 4th September we welcome them to our 9.30am family service.

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Wednesday 31st August – 10.30am Holy Communion in St Michael’s.

Next Sunday: Sunday 4th September: 8am Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer.) 9.30am Family Service with Morris Men and Women (there will be no Eucharist at this service). Saxtead: 11.15am Holy Communion (Common Worship.)