

## SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE – NOVEMBER 2024

### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November

9.30am Holy Communion Woodend

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Sunday

9.00am Holy Communion Farthingstone  
9.00am Remembrance Day Service Adstone  
9.30am Act of Remembrance Maidford  
10.15am Family Service & Act of Remembrance Litchborough  
10.50am Act of Remembrance Blakesley  
10.50am Act of Remembrance Farthingstone - Joy Mead

### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Armistice Day

10.55am Act of Remembrance Litchborough

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Second Sunday before Advent

9.00am Holy Communion Maidford  
10.30am Holy Communion Litchborough  
10.30am Music & Meditation Blakesley  
6.00pm Compline Adstone

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**OPEN THE BIBLE** - our next 'Open The Bible' meeting will be on 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2-3pm at Litchborough Village Hall. **ALL WELCOME!**

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## THE LAMB FOLD LETTER

The Weekly Benefice Newsletter for the Churches of  
St Martin's, Litchborough; All Saints, Adstone;  
St Peter & St Paul, Maidford; St Mary's, Blakesley cum Woodend;  
and St Mary the Virgin, Farthingstone

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## Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024 Fourth Sunday before Advent

### Services in the Benefice today:

9.30am	Matins	Maidford
10.30am	Holy Communion	Blakesley
6pm	Compline	Adstone

### We have been asked to remember the following in our prayers:

David Aked-Walker, Katie Hakin, Carole Harrington, Diane Jones,  
Philip Le Roux, Sylvia Reynolds, James Wagstaffe  
and Chris Wright.

## Collect and Readings for Fourth Sunday before Advent

### Collect

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have kindled the flame of love  
in the hearts of the saints:  
grant to us the same faith and power of love,  
that, as we rejoice in their triumphs,  
we may be sustained by their example and fellowship;  
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.

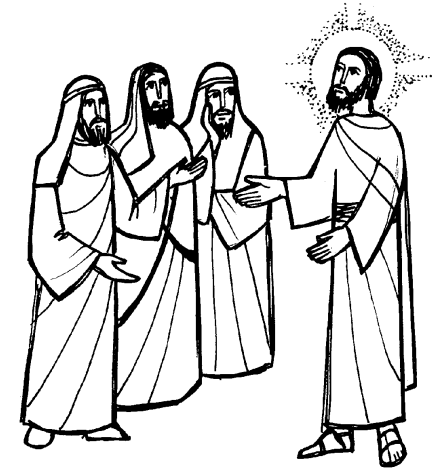
### Deuteronomy 6:1-9

<sup>1</sup> Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that the Lord your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, <sup>2</sup> so that you and your children and your children’s children may fear the Lord your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. <sup>3</sup> Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

<sup>4</sup> Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. <sup>5</sup> You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. <sup>6</sup> Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. <sup>7</sup> Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. <sup>8</sup> Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, <sup>9</sup> and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

### Mark 12:28-34

<sup>28</sup> One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, ‘Which commandment is the first of all?’ <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered, ‘The first is, “Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; <sup>30</sup> you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.” <sup>31</sup> The second is this, “You shall love your neighbour as yourself.” There is no other commandment greater than these.’ <sup>32</sup> Then the scribe said to him, ‘You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that “he is one, and besides him there is no other”; <sup>33</sup> and “to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength”, and “to love one’s neighbour as oneself”,—this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices.’ <sup>34</sup> When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, ‘You are not far from the kingdom of God.’ After that no one dared to ask him any question.



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### Leading Your Church into Growth

God of Mission,  
who alone brings growth to your Church,  
send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our  
actions, joy to our worship and power to our witness.  
Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to  
you, and in service to our local community,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.