

## SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE – OCTOBER 2024

### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

9am	Holy Communion	Maidford
10.30am	Holy Communion	Litchborough
10.30am	Music & Meditation	Blakesley
6pm	Compline	Adstone

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October – Last Sunday after Trinity

9am	Holy Communion	Adstone
9.30am	Matins	Maidford
10.30am	Celtic Morning Worship	Litchborough
10.30am	Holy Communion	Blakesley
6pm	Compline	Farthingstone

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

ARBORETUM OPEN AFTERNOON, Blakesley, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2-4pm, with teas & tombola, all in aid of St Mary's Church.

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## THE LAMBOLD 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 13<sup>th</sup> October 2024 Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

### Services in the Benefice today:

9am	Holy Communion	Farthingstone
10.30am	Harvest Festival	Blakesley
4pm	Harvest Festival	Litchborough
5.30pm	Harvest Festival	Maidford
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 Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

### Collect

God, the giver of life,  
whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church:  
by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ  
and make us eager to do your will,  
that we may share with the whole creation  
the joys of eternal life;  
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.

### Amos 5:6-7,10-15

- <sup>6</sup> Seek the Lord and live,  
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,  
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.
- <sup>7</sup> Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,  
and bring righteousness to the ground!
- <sup>10</sup> They hate the one who reproves in the gate,  
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.
- <sup>11</sup> Therefore, because you trample on the poor  
and take from them levies of grain,  
you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not live in them;  
you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
but you shall not drink their wine.
- <sup>12</sup> For I know how many are your transgressions,  
and how great are your sins—  
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,  
and push aside the needy in the gate.
- <sup>13</sup> Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;  
for it is an evil time.
- <sup>14</sup> Seek good and not evil,  
that you may live;  
and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
just as you have said.
- <sup>15</sup> Hate evil and love good,  
and establish justice in the gate;  
it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

### Mark 10:17-31

<sup>17</sup> As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' <sup>18</sup> Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup> You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother." <sup>20</sup> He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' <sup>21</sup> Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' <sup>22</sup> When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup> Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' <sup>24</sup> And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup> It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' <sup>26</sup> They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' <sup>27</sup> Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.'

<sup>28</sup> Peter began to say to him, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you.' <sup>29</sup> Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup> who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup> But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.'



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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.