

## SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE – JULY/AUGUST 2025

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July – Sixth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am	Holy Communion	Adstone
9.30am	Matins	Maidford
10.30am	Holy Communion	Blakesley
10.30am	Celtic Morning Worship	Litchborough
6.00pm	Compline	Farthingstone

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August – Seventh Sunday after Trinity

9.30am	Matins	Maidford
10.30am	Holy Communion	Blakesley
6.00pm	Compline	Adstone

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

9.30am	Holy Communion	Woodend
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### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August – Eighth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am	Holy Communion	Farthingstone
10.30am	Family Service	Litchborough
10.30am	Family Service	Blakesley
6.00pm	Compline	Adstone
6.00pm	Evensong	Maidford

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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 20<sup>th</sup> July 2025 *Fifth Sunday after Trinity*

### Services in the Benefice today:

9.00am	Holy Communion	Maidford
10.30am	Holy Communion	Litchborough
6.00pm	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

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church  
is governed and sanctified:  
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,  
that in their vocation and ministry  
they may serve you in holiness and truth  
to the glory of your name;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### Colossians 1:15-28

<sup>15</sup> He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; <sup>16</sup> for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup> He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

<sup>21</sup> And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup> he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—  
<sup>23</sup> provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

<sup>24</sup> I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his

body, that is, the church. <sup>25</sup> I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup> the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup> To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup> It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.



### Luke 10. 38-end

<sup>38</sup> Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. <sup>39</sup> She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' <sup>41</sup> But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; <sup>42</sup> there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

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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.