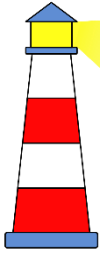




The Benefice of Bourton on the Water with Clapton & the Rissingtons

Pews News



Good morning - welcome to our Communion Service today as we celebrate the **Transfiguration of Jesus**.

Rev Christopher Etherton will be taking our service with Ann Grinnell, one of our Licensed Lay Readers.

'The Light Group' for children and young people will gather in the Meeting room during the service.

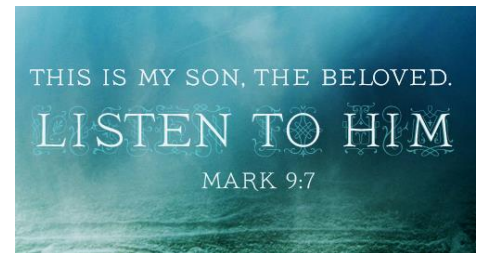
If you would like to receive personal prayer after the service, please come to the chancel.

We hope you will stay behind to share refreshments.

Readings for Today: **Sunday 11th February 2018**

2 Corinthians 4:3-6 Mark 9:2-9

- 8.00am Communion (BCP), Bourton
- 9.30am All Age Informal Service, Little Rissington
- 9.30am Communion (BCP), Wyck Rissington
- 11.00am All Age Informal Service, Great Rissington
- 11.00am Communion (CW), Bourton



The Week Ahead

- Tues 12.30pm Ladies who Lunch: *living with loss*, Bourton
- Tues 3.30-5.00pm **Children's Pancake Party**, Bourton
- Wed 7.30pm **Benefice Service of Ashes**, Bourton
- Thur 7.45am **A Call to Pray**, Bourton
- Thur 8.45am **BumbleBeez**, Bourton
- Fri 9.15am **Blessings group**, Riverside Cafe, Bourton

Next Sunday 18th February 2018: LENT 1

- 9.30am Communion (BCP), Clapton
- 11am Joint Rissington Communion (CW) Little Rissington
- 11am Morning Worship, Bourton
- 6pm Communion (CW), Bourton

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Collect for The Sunday next before Lent

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen (or)

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

DATES FOR DIARY

Tuesday 13th February 3.30pm – 5.00pm Children's Pancake Party, St Lawrence's. Come and help us make a giant pancake tower and find out what **Shrove Tuesday** is all about.



Tuesdays Feb-March 2018, 12.30- 2.30pm. Ladies Who Lunch: *Living With Loss.* An eight week course (break for 20th Feb). An opportunity for those who are bereaved to meet others who share the pain of loss. Please share the invitations at the back of Church.

Wednesday 14th February 7.30pm *Ash Wednesday.* Benefice Service of Ashes. St Lawrence's. Bourton.

Mondays from 19th February 8.30-9.00pm. *Lenten Morning Prayer*
St John the Baptist, Great Rissington

NOTICES

LENT LUNCHESES... Please join us as Churches together for Light Lunch- and Lenten reflection. St Lawrence's Bourton on Mondays: 19th Feb - 26th March 12.30-2.00pm.

Woman's World Day of prayer... Friday 2nd March, 10.30am, St Lawrence. A service which affirms the role of women in the World Wide Church. This year our service is prepared by the women of *Suriname* 'land of many waters' which lies in the northeastern part of South America. We need 4 more volunteers from St Lawrence to take part in the service and 2 volunteers to help with refreshments. If you would like to be involved in this ecumenical service Please contact Michelle.

On the trail of the Ark of the Covenant... Rev David Cook is organising a trip to Ethiopia from September 13-24 this year. The tour company, with whom he has worked several times before, is McCabes. This will be a journey back in time to the very beginnings of the Christian faith, with visits to the famous rock hewn churches and the celebrated ancient painted churches. We will visit the historic capitals of the Ethiopian people, meet the people themselves, witness educational and medical facilities, glory in the beautiful landscapes, see the stunning flora and fauna and much else. The total all-in cost, which includes some internal flights, is £2975. If anyone is interested, please contact David on 01451 810561 or by email to cookdcm@gmail.com

Jonathan Veira Evening concert, St Lawrence's, Bourton. **Saturday 26th May.** More information to follow or speak to Sheila Owen.

Church Watch is starting again in March. If you can spare a morning or afternoon once every month, and would like to help or need more information, please contact Mike Marshall on 01451 820 866.

CHILDRENS WORK

A wonderful response as we seek to engage with the younger members of our congregation. Gill & Chris Willett will lead *The Light Group* in the meeting room during our Communion Services



Please look out for other Children's Events at St Lawrence's as we journey through Lent. '**Easter Party**' Saturday 17th March 3-5pm. '**New Life**' Party Tuesday 27th March 3.30-5pm. Come & Meet *Baaarbara* the lamb and *Miss Henny Penny* the chicken.

Any other suggestions and ideas would be very much valued
please speak to Michelle

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