

3rd December – 6.00 – 8.00. p.m. Parish Fund Raising Drinks Party at 2 Quags Corner. Tickets £15 each from Rosie Glancy and Vanessa Blaber

Next Week's Services

SUNDAY 6 November 3rd Sunday before Advent

Linch 9.30 am Matins
Sidesmen Madeline Oram and Greg Carter
Officiant; Jan Sayers

Iping 9.30 am Holy Communion

Milland 11.00am Choral Eucharist
Sidesman Harry Scott
Readers Janet Price and Leslie Lloyd

Stedham No service

CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS

Milland Memorial Hall

Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th November

Open 10am-4pm Entry (adults) £1 with prize draw

Refreshments with donations to Samaritans

All enquiries to Angela Carter at Milland Pottery

Linch with Iping Marsh Milland & Rake Stedham with Iping

Website: www.stlukesbenefice.co.uk

SUNDAY 30 October 4th Sunday before Advent

Milland 10.30am Benefice Service
(We welcome Holly Sabin who will talk to us about Christian Aid)

Lessons Isaiah 1: 10 – 18;
2 Thessalonians Chapter 1;
Matthew 25: 31-46

There will be no services at Linch, Stedham or Iping this week

COLLECT FOR TODAY

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.

TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 1:10-18

^{1:10} Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom!
Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah!

^{1:11} What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the LORD; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats.

^{1:12} When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more;

^{1:13} bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation-- I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.

^{1:14} Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them.

^{1:15} When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood.

^{1:16} Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil,

^{1:17} learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow.

^{1:18} Come now, let us argue it out, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

2 Thessalonians Chapter 1

¹ Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³ We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of everyone of you for one

another is increasing.

⁴ Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring.

⁵ This is evidence of the righteous judgment of God, and is intended to make you worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are also suffering.

⁶ For it is indeed just of God to repay with affliction those who afflict you,

⁷ and to give relief to the afflicted as well as to us, when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels

⁸ in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.

⁹ These will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, separated from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might,

¹⁰ when he comes to be glorified by his saints and to be marvelled at on that day among all who have believed, because our testimony to you was believed.

¹¹ To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith,

¹² so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Matthew 25: 31-46

³¹ 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory.

³² All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats,

³³ and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

³⁴ Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world;

³⁵ for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me,

³⁶ I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me."

³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink?"

³⁸ And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing?"

³⁹ And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?"

⁴⁰ And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, * you did it to me."

⁴¹ Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels;

⁴² for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink,

⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me."

⁴⁴ Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?"

⁴⁵ Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me."

⁴⁶ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.

Thought for the Week

Goodness does not consist in greatness, but greatness in goodness. - *Athenaeus*

Intercessions:

World Church: Trichy-Tanjore - (South India)

Diocese: BRIGHTON St Michael and All Angels

Deanery: Linch with Iping Marsh, Milland, Stedaham with Iping

Benefice: Retired clergy living in the Benefice (Bill and Pam)

Prayers for those in Long Term Care:

Jill Maslen-Jones and Martin Beale

Prayers for the Sick:

David Godfrey and Dave Dyke.

In Memoriam

Gerry Fitch, Sydney Gaze, Jean Groombridge

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Notices

Benefice Notices

Wednesday Eucharist: This takes place on Wednesdays at **8.45am** in the **Bettesworth Room.**

Milland Notices

Sunday 13th November is Remembrance Sunday at Milland, the service will start at 10.50am. Following the service there will be a short service at The War Memorial in the grounds of Rake Village Hall, followed by refreshments in the Village Hall. We welcome the Revd Anthony Smyth. Who will officiate at the service.

Linch Notices

PARKING AT LINCH: *Could EVERYONE make sure that they DO NOT park in a place on the road that could endanger others. **There will be bollards keeping people from parking near the bend. The field will be open for additional parking.***

Remembrance Sunday at Linch: Following yje Remembrance day Service at Linch and the short Service at Iping Marsh, the British Legion will be "hosting" drinks in the Bettesworth Room.

Help Please: Has anyone got a reel of **draft excluder** tape from which I could have about a meter length. I need it for the Bettesworth Room. You can contact me on 07810 655456. Thanks. Lea Grocott

Book of Remembrance: If you wish the name of a loved one to be entered into the Linch Book of Remembrance, please remember to fill in the form before the beginning of November so that the book can be sent to the calligrapher for up-dating.

Stedaham with Iping Notices

Remembrance Sunday, 13th November. There will be special Remembrance Day services in both Stedaham and Iping churches commencing at 10.45 a.m.