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The 4 Churches
Fowlmere, Foxton, Shepreth and Thriplow



Notice Sheet for Sunday 4th October 2026

The 4 Churches Office- notice sheet contact

Laura Tudor, our administrator, works in the Dorothy Pluck room in St Mary's Fowlmere every Wednesday and Thursday 9am to 12pm. She can also be contacted by email office@thefourchurchbenefice.org or by telephone 07354 998440. Items for next weeks' Notice Sheet MUST be with Laura in the Church Office by 9am on Thursday morning.

If you would prefer to receive the Notice Sheet electronically, please email Laura in the office.

The office will only be open on Thursday for the next three weeks.

Help Needed

St Mary's Fowlmere PCC are looking for someone who could take on the project of investigating the possibility of removing the wooden platform under the tower of St Mary's. With the wooden platform in place there is a step up into the tower area and a step down into both the chancel and the Dorothy Pluck room. Some initial investigations have been made which suggests it could be possible, but we now need to consider what can and cannot be done, and how much it would cost. If you would like to consider this have a word with the rector or Lisa Turner.



The 4 Churches are St Mary's Fowlmere, St Laurence's Foxton, All Saints' Shepreth and St George's Thriplow
www.thefourchurchbenefice.org

Harvest and Communion at St George's Thriplow Harvest Service at All Saints' Shepreth

This service is being livestreamed and can be accessed at www.twitch.tv/fourchurchbenefice. The recording will be available straight away on the same site and will later be also made available on our YouTube channel. If you have any concerns about being included in the recording, please speak to the rector or the church warden.

Mobile Phones

Please make sure your phone is on **Airplane mode or switched off** during services. This will make the live streaming work better, as it will not be fighting for data.

Psalm 80: 8-16

- ⁸ You transplanted a vine from Egypt;
you drove out the nations and planted it.
- ⁹ You cleared the ground for it,
and it took root and filled the land.
- ¹⁰ The mountains were covered with its shade,
the mighty cedars with its branches.
- ¹¹ Its branches reached as far as the Sea,
its shoots as far as the River.
- ¹² Why have you broken down its walls
so that all who pass by pick its grapes?
- ¹³ Boars from the forest ravage it,
and insects from the fields feed on it.
- ¹⁴ Return to us, God Almighty!
Look down from heaven and see!
Watch over this vine,
- ¹⁵ the root your right hand has planted,
the son you have raised up for yourself.
- ¹⁶ Your vine is cut down, it is burned with fire;
at your rebuke your people perish.

Matthew 21: 33-end

33 “Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. 34 When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit.

35 “The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. 36 Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. 37 Last of all, he sent his son to them. ‘They will respect my son,’ he said.

38 “But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, ‘This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him and take his inheritance.’ 39 So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

40 “Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?”

41 “He will bring those wretches to a wretched end,” they replied, “and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time.”

42 Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures:
“‘The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;
the Lord has done this, and it is marvellous in our eyes’?

43 “Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. 44 Anyone who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed.”

45 When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard Jesus’ parables, they knew he was talking about them. 46 They looked for a way to arrest him, but they were afraid of the crowd because the people held that he was a prophet.

Collect

God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation which is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Bible Study Group

The bible study group will be starting a six week course of study on Prayer and Listening in September. This is a small group who have been meeting to enjoy fellowship and to study and pray together, meeting fortnightly for the last year. If you would like to know more or would be interested in joining the group then please call **John Rimmer** on **01763 209160**

Week commencing 5th October

Tuesday	9.00am	NO Morning Prayer ON ZOOM
	9.30am	Thriplow School Harvest service at St George’s Thriplow
	10.00am - 11.30am	Church Café at St Mary’s Fowlmere
Wednesday	10.30am	Shepreth Coffee Morning 5 Angle Lane, Shepreth
Thursday	2pm-4pm	Harvest teas at Thriplow Village Hall
Sunday	10.15am	Communion Service with children’s church at St Mary’s Fowlmere

This week please pray for

Iverna Moss who is in hospital undergoing tests.

Dave Bryce (Rev David’s brother-in-law)

John de Jong (Esther’s dad) - coming to the end of his current cancer treatment.

Matt (Carmen’s twin brother) who has lost his home and possessions in the wild fires in Canada.

Joshua Paterson - receiving treatment for chronic hip pain.

For those known to us waiting for results of medical tests.

The family and friends of Liz Bryce and Roland Mallett who died recently.

For our Government, both national and local.

People's Emergency Briefing on the climate and nature crisis.

A four village event: Thriplow, Fowlmere, Foxton and Shepreth.

Join us for a film screening and discussion, with light refreshments, on

Friday 16th October from 7:00 - 9:30 pm,

in Thriplow Village Hall. Book free seats at www.bit.ly/4hXdz1W

Sustainable Shepreth (Chair of the Steering Team)

and **South Cambs Climate and Nature Group lead**

Ceilidh in the Nave, Bassingbourn Parish Church.

Join us on the 10th October at 7pm as we clear the Nave and let the excellent Cyraic Ceilidh Band lead us in a fun evening of music and dancing.

Tickets are £15 including a ploughman's supper. A licenced bar will also be available.

Tickets from <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/event/ceilidh-in-the-nave>