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**24 July - Trinity 6**  
**News from the churches of Takeley & Little Canfield**  
All Saints | Holy Trinity



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## **Hello from our staff team**

One of the most unhelpful coinages of recent political discourse has been the word *woke*, along with its cognate, *wokery*.

True, the word can describe beliefs which are anything but helpful – that those who possess privileged characteristics (whiteness, maleness), must bear the full weight of the historical sins associated with them; or that those who express conservative opinions forfeit any right to a public voice. Left-wing authoritarianism of this kind is far more of an issue in the States, particularly in universities, though it also has some presence in the UK.

Like the term 'politically correct' in the 90s, however, the meaning of *woke* has expanded to include

virtually any opinion about reform that isn't extremely reactionary.

Race sensitivity? Woke. Inclusiveness? Woke. Climate change? Mere wokery.

And so *woke* becomes a vague, lazy slur. Appealing as it does to resentment and distrust, its use is a poor substitute for considered positions on social, cultural and economic issues.

*Woke's* close cousin is the word *snowflake*. Those with an unwarranted sense of entitlement, or an inability to deal with opposing opinions, perhaps deserve the opprobrium of the term.

However, *snowflake* can equally be used to excuse unkindness, stigmatise mental illness, and reinforce the idea that repressing what troubles us is somehow a mark of character.

That's what I think, anyway. Maybe I'm a snowflake. Or maybe anyone who disagrees with me is. Or maybe, we should ditch this kind of language altogether, and come to our disagreements instead with thoughtfulness and respect.

Colin

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## Prayer Points

**We hold in our prayers those who have died recently;**

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

**We also keep the family and friends of those who have died in our prayers.**

### Prayers

We keep our family, friends and neighbours in our prayers.

We pray for those known to us and those in or connected to our communities; those are themselves unwell, who have family or friends who are unwell; and those experiencing difficult times. We pray that they will have God's healing and peace.

We pray for those known to us in need our prayers: Sidney Beckyand, Geoff Long and Linda Morris.

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**A prayer for the week:**

Almighty God, as we gather,  
let us be quiet and find your presence.  
We rejoice in the mystery of your loving justice.  
Help us to understand what your love means,  
and how we can share that love with others.  
In Jesus' name.

**Amen**

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## **Morning prayer**

### **In person morning prayer**

Holy Trinity, Takeley, 9am Saturday on 23 and 31 July

and:

Prayer Share at All Saints, 10am First Saturday of the month; 6 August, 3 September, 1 October etc

### **Online Morning Prayer**

9:00am on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday here

- <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/459441774>

You shouldn't need the Meeting ID but if you do, it is: [459 441 774](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/459441774)

The password is: Stansted

The service of Morning Prayer is published on the Church of England Website and you can find it here -

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer> Just follow the link to

Morning Prayer (Contemporary) for the day.

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## **This week's main readings**

### **FIRST READING:**

Genesis 18:20-32

### **GOSPEL READING:**

Luke 11:1-13

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## Services

**Sunday 24 July**

Trinity 6

### **All Saints, Little Canfield**

9.30am Morning Praise led by Revd Dr Colin Fairweather

### **St John's, Stansted**

9:30am Holy Communion led by Revd Helen Flack

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/109066258>

Entry Code: 109 066 258 Password: Stansted

### **St Mary the Virgin, Birchanger**

11.15am Holy Communion led by Revd Dr Colin Fairweather

### **St Mary the Virgin, Farnham**

11.15am Morning Prayer led by Hugh Mascetti

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## News and events

### **John Marshall**

At 11am on 22 July, All Saints church, John Marshall's family are holding a memorial service. From the very early stages of planning the service they have been clear that they wish anyone within the community who wishes to come and remember John be invited to attend. John was much loved and is well remembered, please do spread the word to anyone who may wish to attend and join with John's family to celebrate his life.

### **Help needed**

Help to keep our churches running smoothly, creating a warm welcome and generally making them clean and tidy places for worship is always appreciated. However, we currently have a couple of specific requests for help:

The **Churchyards** at both Holy Trinity and All Saints need a lot of work on them; in particular, cutting down the long grass and nettles. David Daykin has purchased a cordless strimmer/brush cutter and will share the task of bringing our churchyards up to scratch with any volunteers. If you wish to be involved, please telephone David on 01279 870743

Thanks to everyone who helped at our **Holy Trinity** cleaning session, ongoing help is needed. If you can help please let Hugh or Will know.

## Your church PCC

Our church PCC consists of our ministry team; Revd Colin, Revd Helen and Lay Minister Hugh Mascetti

Church Wardens: Stretch Fulcher and Will Sadler

Deanery Synod Reps: Claire Berry and Sue Gowlett (who also holds the positions of Treasurer and Electoral Roll Officer)

Elected Members: Jackie Cheetham, David Daykin, Lyn FitzGibbon, Natalie Hildyard and Sue Sadler (who also holds the position of Safeguarding Officer).

We currently have one vacancy on the PCC, would you like to join and help shape the future of our churches? Contact Lisa on [admin@tlcchurch.co.uk](mailto:admin@tlcchurch.co.uk) if you are interested or speak to one of the PCC members to find out more.

The next PCC meeting takes place on Monday 19 September, 7:30pm at All Saints Church



## Deanery Walks

Everyone welcome, including dogs, whether you have joined in before or want to join us for the first time.

The next walk will be on **13 August from St Mary's Birchanger** at 9am (note revised date)

Please contact Pam Wells on 07702171744 or [pam.mark2@btinternet.com](mailto:pam.mark2@btinternet.com)

Parking is available at Birchanger village hall, CM23 5QJ. The Church is hidden in trees across the road and has no parking.

On 17 September we will walk from Lindsell

On 15 October we will walk from the Eastons

Further information below.



### DUNMOW AND STANSTED DEANERY

*Walking together again with Jesus  
and friends*

#### 2022 WALKS PROGRAMME

DATE	BENEFICE	CONTACT
19 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH	THE SIX PARISHES	ALLISON WARD Tel: 01245 231798 E-mail: <a href="mailto:parishadministrator@thesixparishes.org.uk">parishadministrator@thesixparishes.org.uk</a>
23 <sup>rd</sup> APRIL	TAKELEY & LITTLE CANFIELD	HUGH MASCETTI Tel: 01279 871606 and 07940791446 <a href="mailto:hughm@tlcchurch.co.uk">hughm@tlcchurch.co.uk</a>
21 <sup>st</sup> MAY	GREAT DUNMOW & BARNSTON	MARION TUTTLEBEE Tel: 07773 281286 E-mail: <a href="mailto:marion.tuttlebee@googlemail.com">marion.tuttlebee@googlemail.com</a>
18 <sup>th</sup> JUNE	STEBBING, & THE SALINGS	CLARE KANHARN Tel: 01371 856222 E-mail: <a href="mailto:clare.kanharn@btinternet.com">clare.kanharn@btinternet.com</a>
16 <sup>th</sup> JULY	THE SOUTH RODINGS	ROBERT PARMENTER Tel: 01279 876219 E-mail: <a href="mailto:r.p.parmenter@btinternet.com">r.p.parmenter@btinternet.com</a>
20 <sup>th</sup> AUGUST	STANSTED, BIRCHANGER & FARNHAM	HUGH MASCETTI
17 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER	LINSELL	MARTIN WILLIAMS Tel: 01371 870137 E-mail: <a href="mailto:M.F.Williams@leedsalumni.org.uk">M.F.Williams@leedsalumni.org.uk</a>
15 <sup>th</sup> OCTOBER	THE FIVE PARISHES	Claire Squibb Tel: 01371 870749 <a href="mailto:Claire@excelstuff.co.uk">Claire@excelstuff.co.uk</a>



### Dunmow and Stansted DEANERY

#### Walking together again

After missing two years of our walks round the deanery we are beginning again! We hope to gather each month to walk and pray and share wonderful refreshments with the churches in the deanery. The routine remains the same:

9 am meet at the designated church  
10am/10.10 am return to join non-walkers for coffee in the church  
10.30am short service to pray with the people of that church.

This year the theme of our walks is 'Being together again in God's Creation' which is not hard to do as we walk through the glorious Essex countryside so we will hope really to notice the wonderful diversity of the natural world on the large and the small scale: the oak tree and the ant! We will also be attending carefully to where we are, observing, reflecting and recognising that we ourselves and the world have changed in the two years since last we met. We will give thanks for every detail that helps us to recognise the care that God has taken of us even through the tough times that many have experienced but that we travel, as his disciples [did.in](http://did.in) companionship with his son Jesus Christ.

This is a wonderful opportunity to walk in fellowship with many people who worship, live and work within our deanery, and to pray together for our world, be it locally in the village we are visiting or further afield across the globe where the natural environment looks very different.

The calendar of walks is on the reverse - please look out for the details of each walk in the pew leaflets, in the various parish magazines and the parish websites and on the dedicated Facebook

page: [www.facebook.com/pilgrimagewalk](http://www.facebook.com/pilgrimagewalk). You can also ring the contact for that month and of course, dogs are most welcome!

The service is usually a short one with praise and thanksgiving to begin with, perhaps a confession, a Bible reading, and intercessions.

We normally begin with Psalm 100:

#### Praise and thanksgiving

Shout praises to the Lord, everyone on this earth.  
Be joyful and sing as you come to worship the Lord!  
You know the Lord is God!

lives have been changed such as the bereaved but also children and young people and those with failing businesses: hope that God's creative and healing power brings about new beginnings in all ways.

As this is the Queen's jubilee year it might be good to pray for her at each of our services if that is thought suitable.

And we usually end with the family prayer of the church, the Lord's Prayer.

This blessing from Iona seems to encompass our themes.

The love of the faithful Creator  
The peace of the wounded Healer  
The joy of the challenging Spirit  
The hope of the Three in One

He created us, and we belong to him;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.  
Be thankful and praise the Lord as you enter his temple.  
The Lord is good!  
His love and faithfulness will last for ever.

#### Responses

Oh Lord, save our hearts from being as the footpath,  
too hard for your word to take root.  
Oh Lord, save our hearts from being as the rocky ground,  
where your word cannot be nourished and withers away.  
Oh Lord, save us from being as the poor soil,  
where your word is overpowered  
by the cares and worries of our everyday life.  
Bless us and make us fertile soil, in good heart  
where your word flourishes  
and brings life to ourselves and to others.  
Amen.

Jesus' words in **Matthew chapter 6 vv 25-34** tie together God's care for creation and for us and is an ideal reading to use but there are plenty more.

After this experience maybe our prayers should reflect thanksgiving for the care of the medical profession, the scientists and those who have worked sacrificially throughout the pandemic and still are: sorrow with those whose

The hope of the three in one  
surround us and encourage us  
yesterday, today and tomorrow.

#### The Grace



## Takeley Community Cafe

The Community Cafe, based on the Old School, Takeley is closed from 30 June to 29 July.

## Birchanger St Mary's Jubilee Festival of Flowers

**29-31 July** 10am-4pm St Mary's Birchanger HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Festival of Flowers

## Shoebox Packing Party

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party takes place on Saturday 13th August from 2 – 5 pm at All Saints Church, Little Canfield.

We will be packing “shoebboxes” for children overseas, using toys, toiletries, stationery, etc. that have been donated by people in Takeley & Little Canfield. Just come and help pack or bring donations of your own!

Refreshments including cream teas  
Donations to Operation Christmas Child  
All Welcome

## Countess of Warwick Show

**28 & 29 August** Countess of Warwick show, tickets £7 (in advance), children under 12 free

See [countessofwarwickshow.org](http://countessofwarwickshow.org) for more details

Please let Maret Fulcher - [stretchmaret@btinternet.com](mailto:stretchmaret@btinternet.com) know if you are able to

Please get in touch with [christianstudies@chelmsford.anglican.org](mailto:christianstudies@chelmsford.anglican.org) if you are able to volunteer to support the food stall we run to raise funds for our churches.

## Farnham Bluebell Ride

The Farnham Bluebell Ride steward has been in contact to confirm the success of the event and the fantastic donations it was able to make. £9,902.50 was raised in total largely as a result of ticket sales, refreshments and some generous donations. After covering expenses (such as insurance, first aid, toilet facilities etc) we are able to make a donation of £7,275 to St Mary's Church, Farnham (our main recipient) when Gift Aid is taken into account. The ride also encouraged sponsorship for Cancer Research UK (Breast Cancer) and we made a donation to significantly enhance collections on the day making a total of £2,293

Join us next year for another enjoyable ride on:

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

## Christian Studies

**Would you like to share in a journey of discovery?**

**The *COURSE IN  
CHRISTIAN STUDIES***

is an opportunity to explore the Christian faith with others. The course runs over two years, is open to anyone over the age of 16 and is based on weekly meetings in groups.

We are able to offer the CCS course as Face to Face sessions at various locations throughout the Diocese, as well as Zoom sessions. In addition, CCS can be accessed entirely online, using the interactive programme Moodle, where you will interact with fellow students and tutors through online forums and posts. This provides increased flexibility for times and days.

Taster events will be held throughout the Diocese during June and July

An Introductory Day will take place in Chelmsford on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September starting at 10.00am. To register your interest and receive further details, email Diane Hardy [dhardy@chelmsford.anglican.org](mailto:dhardy@chelmsford.anglican.org) or call her on 01245 294449

For further information contact: Diane Hardy, CCS Administrator  
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Further details available at  
[www.chelmsford.anglican.org/ccs](http://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/ccs)

[More information](#) | [Application form](#) | [Details of taster sessions](#)



## VOLUNTEER WITH US

### We are looking for a Trustee to join us with skills in HR and/or Administration

Board meetings are usually 3 hours on a Saturday morning every 4/6 weeks. Also you will have oversight of a section within the Foodbank and will need to answer emails and possible additional tasks in between meetings. Interested?

Then come and join us and help the team make a real difference in the fight against poverty

To find out more and have an informal chat, please  
Email: [Chairtrustee@braintreearea.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:Chairtrustee@braintreearea.foodbank.org.uk)

Braintree Area Foodbank provides a minimum of three days' emergency food and support to local people experiencing crisis. Volunteers play a crucial role in the running of the Foodbank, from collecting and sorting donations to processing vouchers and helping to create a welcoming space for people in crisis.

[Braintreearea.foodbank.org.uk](http://Braintreearea.foodbank.org.uk)

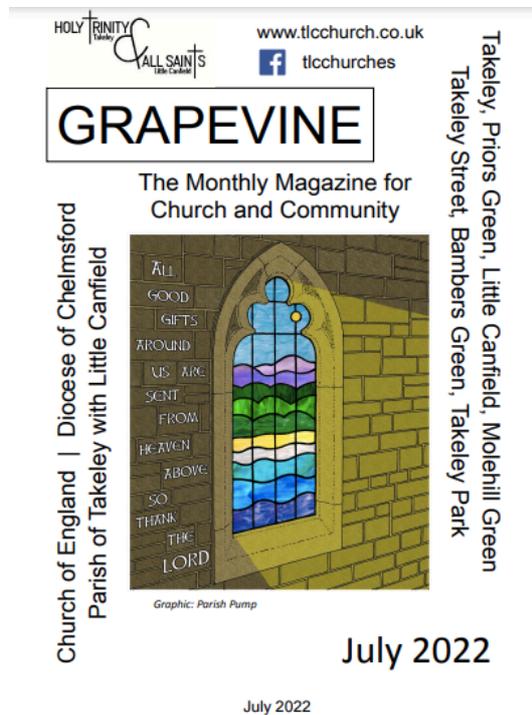
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## The Grapevine

The Grapevine is available once again from our new website, [here is the July edition](#)



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## Contact details

If you wish to place a notice in the next bulletin please email details to [admin@tlcchurch.co.uk](mailto:admin@tlcchurch.co.uk) - all entries must be submitted by midday each Wednesday

For all enquiries please contact our Church administrator

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