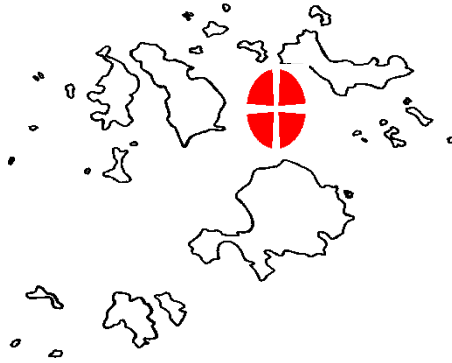


Isles of Scilly



In Touch

October/November 2013

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## Thoughts from the Manse

October is often a very fine month here on the beautiful Isles of Scilly. If the weather is good the remaining summer visitors are blessed by having wonderful sandy beaches and fine views all to themselves and can take home wonderful pictures of empty landscapes which catch something of the remote nature of being on a group of tiny islands thirty miles from the mainland.



October is usually the last full month of regular sailings by our dear old Scillonian, but this year the sailing are extended to the end of November. During the winter months the Scillonian remains in Penzance where she is got into good shape for the next summer season which usually starts in April. We give thanks for those who crew our Scillonian and for all who are part of the Steamship Company including the crew of the Gry Maritha and the pilots of our Skybus who maintain the crucial links between Scilly and the mainland over the long winter months.

October is also a special month for our Methodist chapels on St Martin's and St Mary's. On St Martin's our six o'clock evening worship is replaced by afternoon worship at 3pm and, as the nights get longer in November, to 2pm. This is done so that we can arrange boating during the hours of daylight, and is another reminder of how having what can sometimes be raging seas between our two chapels is part of the unique nature of this tiny Methodist Circuit – by far the smallest in British Methodism. On St Mary's our winter evening services move from 8pm to 6pm from the beginning of October.

Maintaining our Sunday worship and encouraging islanders to join us is the very bedrock of our Methodist mission on these islands. On St Mary's we hold three services on most Sundays throughout the year and, despite the difficulties of winter weather, we hold a service on every Sunday on St Martin's. It is indeed a blessing that we have a resident Local Preacher on St Martin's which means that even if the preacher cannot get over from St Mary's, Christopher Savill can step in and lead our faithful members in their weekly worship.

As many of you will know David and Bella are to be married in our chapel on October 4th. David is a Scillonian, a much loved member of our church and is in training as a Methodist Local Preacher. Last year David was in London and went to find out more about the work of Methodist Central Hall in Westminster. There he met Bella who is secretary to the Church Council there. We are all now looking forward to this very special wedding and to meeting members of Bella's family who will be visiting Scilly for the first time. It is planned for Bella and David to travel over to St Martin's on the Sunday to join in worship there and for their friends on St Martin's to share in their celebrations.

Wedding celebration is one of the subjects used by Jesus when speaking in the last week of His ministry to the pious and religious men

who had gathered in the temple grounds in Jerusalem. Jesus told them the story of a wedding banquet. Those who gathered and listened to this vivid parable were certainly challenged, for they knew only too well that this story was about them and about the promised coming of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Jesus told the story of how a grand wedding banquet had been planned. The host of this banquet was the king and it was his son that was getting married. The king sent out servants to invite those on the list to attend but one by one they made excuses for not being able to come. The king was certainly not pleased, so he sent his servants out onto the streets to invite others to the banquet.

Soon the banqueting hall was full of those who had come in off the streets. Each of the guests was provided with robes to wear at the celebration, but as the king walked into the room to start the grand event he noticed that there was just one man who had refused to wear the robe provided, and when questioned did not know what to say. The king ordered his servants to tie the man hand and foot and take him out into the darkness. On reading this story we cannot help but feel sorry for this poor man but we are also staggered that he did not take the robe that had been offered him and in so doing be able to take his place at the royal banquet.

Our tiny Methodist Circuit here on these remote islands is in some ways like the messengers in this story. The task given to us by our King is to go out and invite all to take their place in the Kingdom of Heaven. This we take seriously; we do our utmost to offer the Good news of the Gospel to all who come to our Sunday worship, we seek to put in place meetings where invitations are given to all to come along and see what the Bible has to say and how prayer can bring healing and hope in our lives, and we encourage one another to lead godly lives and to show love and care in our community.

Just as in the parable, the invitation that we give is free and it is to all, the good, the bad, and the ugly. This ongoing sense of mission is part of our DNA, it is the very life-blood of our Methodist tradition, and we know that even here on these beautiful islands there are many who have yet to hear the Good News of the Gospel and find real hope upon their journey through life.

It is certainly sad that the man in the parable thought he could take his place in the wedding banquet without wearing the robes that had been so freely offered to him by the king. We too, are sometimes saddened when our friends and loved ones do not receive the invitation we offer to clothe themselves in Jesus and to receive His free gift of Life Eternal. We long for those around us to know the saving Grace of our Sovereign God and King, and we will never give up our task of being the servants who offer this invitation to all who are resident or who visit these wonderful islands.

Sometimes the beauty of this place is overwhelming. The other day I was standing outside our chapel on St Martin's and looking across to the eastern Isles and I had to wipe away my tears. I thought to myself, surely this must be a foretaste of the Kingdom of Heaven, and how near it seems in a place such as this. Yet despite our location and despite living in such a close-knit and caring community, we know that all is not as it should be, and we know that our church needs to be strengthened by God's Holy Spirit so that we will continue in our invitation to all who have yet to know Jesus as their Lord and Saviour.

On the 27th of October our clocks go back and the following week All Saints' Day is on the 1st November and All Souls' Day is on November 2nd. When Mary and I return to Scilly at the end of October after our autumn break in Norfolk we will return to shorter days and longer nights and to islands that will now be almost empty of visitors.

This period in island life in the two months before Christmas is always a special time. Some who have been working hard all through the summer months take the opportunity to get away, often to exotic locations on the other side of the world. Suddenly Scilly returns to a slower pace of life, where locals have time to stop and chat, and the few visitors are amazed at the peace and the tranquillity of this unique location.

All through the autumn and winter we meet every Friday evening at the Manse for our Friday Fellowship. Some have said to me that the word 'fellowship' is a rather old-fashioned word, and it is true that this word has been used for a very long time in church circles. However, there is nothing old-fashioned about these Friday evenings. The meetings are open to all, indeed we hope that new faces will come and join us so that we can learn from each other how to face the ups and downs of life. The evenings are based on the idea of looking together at the Bible and thinking about what it has to say to us today. How should we be living our lives as the church in this present age; how do we cope when we face difficult times; and what difference does it really make to be a person of faith when it comes to making choices at those crucial cross-roads in our lives?

If you have not been to our Friday meetings, do come along and see what you think. They start at 7.30 and end by 9pm: we always have sandwiches and drinks at the end of the evening, and it is certainly a good way to ask some of the questions that we all have about our Christian faith. We often find that we are not alone in the thoughts that we may have.

I trust that you all will be making the most of the very special time before us and that, together, we will discover the true meaning of God's gift of 'Fellowship' to us all.

Every blessing

*Charlie*

## **From the Circuit Meeting**

At the Circuit Meeting on September 19<sup>th</sup> which was chaired by our District Chairman Rev Steven Wild, it was recommended that an invitation should be given to Rev Charlie Gibbs to continue his ministry here for a further three years. Charlie and Mary have accepted this invitation. We ask God's blessing on their work here.



## **News from St. Martin's**

Our Harvest Celebrations are the significant news this month. As always the Island people were generous with their gifts of fruit, vegetables, flowers, cakes and shell fish, and we thank them. The Friday afternoon was devoted to displaying so many flowers, with the vases placed on every available space once the arrangements of fruit and vegetables were completed on the Saturday. Our little Chapel looked splendid, a worthy testament to God's promise that seed time and harvest will not fail.

Rev Charlie Gibbs led the Harvest acts of worship on Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup> and Monday September 9<sup>th</sup>, when it was good to be joined by some Islanders and visitors to St. Martins.

The traditional auction of produce took place after the Monday evening service. Christopher was auctioneer and he and the team did very well to sell everything bar several flowers and a huge pumpkin! By then everyone was ready for delicious pasties and a hot drink, before heading home in the dark with bags full of produce ranging from apple juice to lobster!

In total, £336-35 was raised for Chapel Funds, and that sum was boosted by a £210 donation from past holiday makers who so enjoyed Harvest at St. Martins Chapel. We are very grateful to be so blessed by friends beyond Scilly.

*Heather Terry*

## News from the North

How envious I am of your glorious summer in the Islands! Although it has been fine here we only had really hot days in July.

My brother, who used to live in Edinburgh, made the remark "that there only ever is a fortnight of summer in Scotland" and I can agree with that. However the rowan berries are brightening the darkening trees with bright orange berries. Maybe it will be a hard winter and then they will soon be gobbled up.

I've just finished another section of the Faith and Worship Course and it has involved many hours of study which has been a blessing. When you are watching over someone it is good to do something positive. I stitched five beautiful pictures when I was sitting with Guy.

Life is too short and precious to waste a minute. God's gift to us all is time and to squander it leaves only regret.

I appreciate your prayers. What a precious thought it is that you hold Beryl and myself in prayer. I just pray for grace and strength to do this given task. It has been rather sad to miss members of my family who have holidayed on the Islands but I am thankful that they have had super holidays and met up with some of you.

My thanks to those who have taken on the extra work, especially in editing the magazine. I look forward to the time when I can help you out. Thanks to my neighbours and to Anthea and Phil for looking after the car. I am quite fit with walking everywhere!

May God bless you all as you live and work to His praise and Glory.  
*Mary*

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## Wedding Update of David & Isobella

The wedding of David Pender to Isobella on Oct 5<sup>th</sup> 2013 has been put forward by half an hour to 1.30 pm. The church is open all day. The wedding service and evening reception at Tolman from 8 pm will be open to all who wish to attend.

God's Blessings      David & Isobella

**Cornwall Methodist District - Autumn Synod  
Truro Methodist Church – Sat. 14th Sept. 2013**

*Report by Len Michell*

John Wesley's words describing his feelings towards going to a meeting in Aldersgate Street which was to transform his life were echoing in my mind as Charlie and I waited at the airport early on a dull Saturday morning – 'I went unwillingly....' Not that I didn't want to go to Synod, but both of us were afraid of being stuck on the mainland for the week-end because of fog. But our good Lord made our return sure, and in the end, even on an earlier flight than planned, although the need to catch a train back to Penzance precluded our attendance at the afternoon session. We travelled up by car thanks to the kindness of Rev. Prof. Peter Stephens – suffice to say that he is no slouch on the open road!

We met in church, but it was laid out more like a cafe with tables and chairs which had benefits over pews in making it easier to deal with all the papers and encouraged group discussion when called for.

Opening devotions were led by Salvationist Major Ian Harris from Exeter. He spoke briefly about the problem of introducing people to God when they won't come to us, something which most of us have pondered over many times. One phrase he used was 'There is nothing like a dream to create the future'.

After some business items (welcoming the new Truro School Head teacher; update on safeguarding by Alison Gill; approval of official appointments to committees etc.), Lois Wilde spoke on a 'Faith in Cornwall' survey currently taking place asking for information from as many faith groups as possible in the county in order to build a database of information about faith groups. There will be a launch event later in the year where the findings will be presented.

We then had to vote for 2 ministers and 3 lay persons to represent the District at the 2014 Methodist Conference in Birmingham. Charlie was one of the ministers chosen, and John Hogarth, our circuit Local Preachers' tutor was successful in the lay nominees vote.

The morning ended with a 1½hr. presentation by Graham Horsley a Methodist evangelist entitled 'Evangelism to the baby boomer generation' which included not only the best example of



communication' I've heard for ages, but 10 minute intervals when we discussed around our tables what he had been talking about. Space prohibits anything more than a mere sketch of what he said, but the reason for him picking on people born between 1945 and 1964 was that in them we have the last generation who generally attended Sunday School, and who, despite not attending a place of worship today, have a respect for the values they learnt. Why do they not come? Graham spoke of the 'liberating' changes coming in as they grew up – the 'never had it so good' prosperity of MacMillan's time, the women's liberation movement and growth in women working outside the home, the availability of 'the pill', the growth in numbers able to go to university, the legislation removing the threat of imprisonment for practicing homosexuals – these and many other changes in social life brought a new 'freedom' to millions of people, even freedom to ignore the church. Graham also told us of the idea of forming groups within a church - maybe just 3 people agree to meet together socially weekly and ask some questions – have you blessed 3 people this week (including 1 person outside the church)? Have you shared hospitality with 3 people (at least one outside the church)? Have you found delight in something this week? There were several more – but you will gather what he was trying to get over to us. On the subject of evangelism he gave Jesus' perfect example as recorded in Luke 10 when Jesus sent out the 72 followers – vs2 'go'; vs5 'enter'; vs 7 'stay, eat and drink' (their hospitality); vs 9 'heal'. Then, and only then when you have become friends, TELL about entering the Kingdom. And there was much else he said, and much our table and other tables had to discuss and take in.

If I heard nothing else on my synod visit, my morning 'going unwillingly' would have been worth it just to have brought home to me that there is a whole generation of baby-boomers even on Scilly who need reaching out to. It brought me full circle to the opening question from Major Ian Harris, 'How can we introduce people to God when they won't come to us?'



## Books and Teddies

This comes from an older church member who is no longer barely competent to do the things the fellowship expect of her! So, think twice before you ask Gwen Clarkson to do anything.

However, praise the Lord, recent activities in which I have been involved have survived with the help of many dear friends. A great example of their support on the day and in providing refreshments was at our third Grand Book Sale In aid of NCH Action for Children on Bank Holiday Monday. A good sum was raised and quite a few number of volumes were returned to storage after. Please note - we do not



need any more books to join them! We are proposing to stage another Grand Book sale at the beginning of December in the hopes that local folk will be interested to buy some of our superb hard-backed ones, which have mostly been too heavy for our visitors to consider taking away. Many are in wonderful condition and would make lovely Christmas gifts.

We expect to send two batches of teddies away, with smaller ones going soon to Teddies for Tragedies for children in disaster areas in the world. Thanks to my busy knitters I shall be able to post ten teddies to them. The bears that do not meet their strict requirements will be going to Uganda as usual.



With my family I am very relieved that my son Colin has moved in with me on a permanent basis. He has lots of jobs here and can keep tabs on his daft mother. He is constantly rectifying my disasters round the home! In the wider context I am very thankful that I live in this caring community an especially the great support of my Christian friends and of the Lord god, all the time!

*Gwen Clarkson*

### *Editor's footnote*

*Gwen does herself down. We are all very appreciative of the wonderful work she does in fund raising for Action for Children and in organizing the production and distribution of teddies for deprived children all over the world, as well as all the other things she does for our church.*

## Action for Children Payments

Since providing information about our payments to Action for Children in the February/March 2013 edition of In Touch, another £793-17 has been sent to the Methodist charity. This sum is broken down as follows:

Profit from three Grand Book Sales	£558-82
Home Collection Boxes	£145-43
Offertory from Songs of Praise on the Quay	£37-60
Copper Collection	£43-92
Donation	£ 5-00
Manse Book Shelf	£ 2-40

Sincere thanks to all who have donated or helped in any way, but especially to Gwen, Charlie and Mary for the effort they put in on the days on the Book Sales. Without Gwen's enthusiasm and determination to raise money for Action for Children such a splendid amount could not have been achieved.

*Heather Terry*

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*When children write to their minister:*

### **'Dear Mr Minister...**

- I'm sorry I can't leave more money in the plate, but my father didn't give me a raise in my allowance. Could you have a sermon about a raise in my allowance? Love, Patty. Aged 10.

- My mother is very religious. She goes to play bingo at church every week even if she has a cold. Yours truly, Annette. Aged 9.

- I would like to go to heaven someday because I know my brother won't be there. Stephen. Aged 8.

- I think a lot more people would come to your church if you moved it to Disneyland. Loreen. Aged 9.

## All Hallows Eve – October 31st

Modern Halloween celebrations have their roots with the Celtic peoples of pre-Christian times.

In those long-ago days, on the last night of October, the Celts celebrated the Festival of Samhain, or 'Summer's End'. The priests, or Druids, performed ceremonies to thank and honour the sun. For there was a very dark side to all this: Samhain also signalled the onset of winter, a time when it was feared that unfriendly ghosts, nature-spirits, and witches roamed the earth, creating mischief. So the Druid priests lit great bonfires and performed magic rites to ward off or appease these dark supernatural powers.



When the Romans arrived, and brought their Harvest Festival which honoured the Goddess Pomona with gifts of apples and nuts, the two festivals slowly merged.

When Christianity arrived still later, it began to replace the Roman and Druid religions. 1 November - All Saints' Day - was dedicated to all Christian Martyrs and Saints who had died. It was called 'All Hallows' Day'. The evening before became an evening of prayer and preparation and was called 'All Hallows' Eve', The Holy Evening, later shortened to 'Halloween'.

For many centuries, however, fear of the supernatural remained strong. During the Middle Ages, animal costumes and frightening masks were worn to ward off the evil spirits of darkness on Halloween. Magic words and charms were used to keep away bad luck, and everybody believed that witches ride about on broomsticks. Fortune telling was popular, and predicting the future by the use of nuts and apples was so popular that Halloween is still sometimes known as Nutcrack Night or Snap-Apple Night.

Today, Christians have learned to turn to prayer instead of charms to overcome the powers of darkness. And the deeper, true meaning of All Hallows' Eve, should not be forgotten. As Christians, we all draw closer to Christ when we remember and give thanks for our loved ones and for others who have gone before us through the gates of death.

## All Saints' Day – November 1st

All Saints', or All Hallows', is the feast of all the redeemed, known and unknown, who are now in heaven. When the English Reformation took place, the number of saints in the calendar was drastically reduced, with the result that All Saints' Day stood out with a prominence that it had never had before.

This feast day first began in the East, perhaps as early as the 5th century, as commemorating 'the martyrs of the whole world'. A Northern English 9th century calendar named All Hallows as a principal feast, and such it has remained. Down the centuries devotional writers have seen in it the fulfilment of Pentecost and indeed of Christ's redemptive sacrifice and resurrection.

The saints do not belong to any religious tradition, and their lives and witness to Christ can be appreciated by all Christians.

*Here are a few verses of this well-known hymn which is traditionally sung on All Saints' Day:*

For all the saints who from their labours rest,  
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy name, O Jesus, be for ever blest:  
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
Thou in the darkness still their one true light:  
Alleluia, alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine:  
Alleluia, alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost:  
Alleluia, alleluia!

*William Walsham How*

## **God Give Them Peace**

What shall we pray for those who died,  
Those on whose death our lives relied?  
Silenced by war but not denied,  
*God give them peace.*

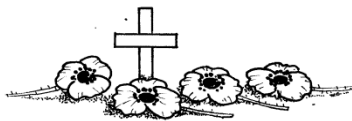
What shall we pray for those who mourn  
Friendships and love, their fruit unborn?  
Though years have passed, hearts still are torn;  
*God give them peace.*

What shall we pray for those who live  
Tied to the past they can't forgive,  
Haunted by terrors they relive?  
*God give them peace.*

What shall we pray for those who know  
Nothing of war, and cannot show  
Grief or regret for friend or foe?  
*God give them peace.*

What shall we pray for those who fear  
War, in some guise, may reappear  
Looking attractive and sincere?  
*God give them peace.*

God give us peace and, more than this,  
Show us the path where justice is;  
And let us never be remiss  
*Working for peace that lasts.*



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## How sad is this!

**Young – and alone online:** Children spend twice as long online as their parents think that they do – and start using the internet at the average age of three. More than a quarter of them pretend to be older, in order to access some sites. This news comes at a time of rising concern that our children may be viewing self-harm material, violent pornography, animal cruelty and eating disorder websites. In fact, many children are now spending so much time online that one in three is struggling to read a book.

The survey was done by the parenting site Net-mums.com. It was also found that more than a third of children admit they begin to get 'angry and grumpy' when they cannot get online, and one in five has admitted that they spend more time in the virtual world than with people.

## Friday Fellowship

These Friday evening meetings start at 7.30 and end at 9pm when refreshments are served. They are open to all and are here to help us explore more of what it may mean for us to be disciples of Jesus today. Do come along. You can be sure of a warm welcome. For more details contact our minister.

### 11<sup>th</sup> October **Is the Gospel really good news?**

*An evening led by Charlie Gibbs looking at the difficulties of being ready to come face to face with God. Luke 3:1-20.*

### 18<sup>th</sup> October **An evening with Len Michell**

*We look forward to Len again leading us in fellowship and study. Len as always will provide us with a challenging and thoughtful evening.*

### 25<sup>th</sup> October **An evening with Barbara Hasler**

*Barbara always brings a different way of looking at things to our precious Christian faith. Be sure not to miss this special time of fellowship together.*

The subjects for fellowship evenings in November have yet to be decided so look out for further notices later.

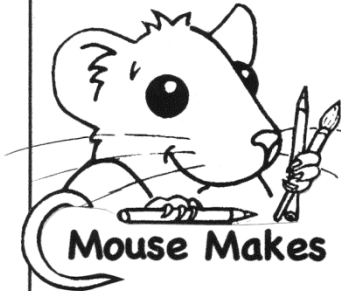
## Birthdays for October and November

The following are having their birthday in the next two months. We send them all our love and hope they have a lovely day.

Rodney Ashford, Kathy Banfield, Myra Christopher, Sonia Crompton, Anne Farr, Jono Grossett, Pippa Grossett, Joy Morris, Oscar Newrick, Derek Perkins, Maria Tomlinson, Judi Williams, Megan Woodcock, Melanie Woodcock, Daniel Bird, Jonathan Bird, Veronica Deane, Helen Crisp, Jean Goody, Julia Ottery, Aurelia Schwart, Monica Taylor.



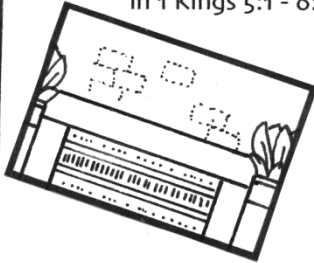
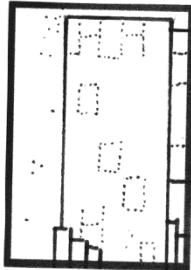




**SOLOMON BUILDS A TEMPLE**  
 King Solomon decided to build a temple to honour the Lord God. It took 80,000 men to cut the stone for it and 30,000 men seven years to build it. The finished temple was 60 cubits long, 20 cubits wide and 30 cubits high and the inside was completely covered with gold!

READ about Solomon's temple in 1 Kings 5:1 - 6:38

The blocks for temple have all been mixed up! Carefully cut out each block and rearrange to build God's temple. Glue onto card and colour in.



A 'cubit' is about 18 inches or almost 45.5cm long

God said "Build

a temple that

will honour me"

## NOVEMBER SERVICES

### ST MARY'S

|      |                                    |                                                                                                                          |
|------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3rd  | 10.00 am<br>11.00 am               | Children's Church<br>Rev Charlie Gibbs                                                                                   |
| 10th | 10.40 am<br><br>6.00 pm            | <b>United Remembrance Sunday Service</b> , Parish Church<br>Canon Paul Miller & Rev Charlie Gibbs<br>Barbara Hasler      |
| 17th | 9.15 am<br><br>11.00 am<br>6.00 pm | Rev Charlie Gibbs and Neil Didlick<br><i>Holy Communion</i><br>Len Michell<br>Rev Charlie Gibbs<br><i>Holy Communion</i> |
| 24th | 9.15 am<br>11.00 am<br><br>6.00 pm | Neil Didlick and Mervyn Bird<br>Rev Charlie Gibbs<br><i>Holy Communion</i><br>Len Michell                                |

### ST MARTIN'S

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| 3rd  | 2.00 pm  | Rev Charlie Gibbs<br><i>Holy Communion</i>                                                         |
| 10th | 2.00 pm  | <b>United Remembrance Sunday Service</b> , Anglican Church<br>Rev Penny Prince & Rev Charlie Gibbs |
| 17th | 11.00 am | Mary Ratcliffe                                                                                     |
| 24th | 2.00 pm  | Rev Charlie Gibbs                                                                                  |

### PARK HOUSE

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| 3rd | 4.00 pm | Gordon Bird |
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## PRAYER CHAIN

In the first instance please contact me, Mary Ratcliffe 423030 or Revd. Charles Gibbs 422406. I will then pass on the prayer request to the first name in each of the groups.

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*For the Prayer Chain to be effective it is essential that requests are forwarded to the person in the column beneath your name, if that person is not available please ring the next person on the list.*

## OCTOBER SERVICES

### ST MARY'S

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| 6th             | 10.00 am<br>11.00 am                   | Children's Church<br>Rev Charlie Gibbs                                                                                     |
| 13th<br>Didlick | 9.15 am<br><br>11.00 am<br><br>6.00 pm | Rev Charlie Gibbs and Neil<br><br><i>Holy Communion</i><br>Rev Charlie Gibbs<br><i>Holy Communion</i><br>Rev Charlie Gibbs |
| 20th            | 10.30 am<br>6.00 pm                    | Neil Didlick and David Pender<br>Mary Ratcliffe                                                                            |
| 27th            | 9.15 am<br>11.00 am<br>6.00 pm         | Beryl Read and Mary Ratcliffe<br>Barbara Hasler<br>Gordon Bird                                                             |

### ST MARTIN'S

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| 6th  | 3.00 pm  | Rev Charlie Gibbs                          |
| 13th | 3.00 pm  | Rev Charlie Gibbs<br><i>Holy Communion</i> |
| 20th | 11.00 am | Barbara Hasler                             |
| 27th | 11.00 am | Len Michell                                |

### PARK HOUSE

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| 6th | 4.00 pm | Barbara Hasler |
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### ST MARY'S