

Together

in the churches of
St Mary the Virgin Dodford,
St Mary Everdon,
St Peter & St Paul Weedon Bec



October 2022

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www.wedchurches.com

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Worship:

Sunday Oct 2nd <i>Trinity 16</i>	9.30am Weedon 11am Dodford 4pm Weedon	Holy Communion Harvest Praise Together 4...Thanks!
Wednesday Oct 5th	10.30am	Weedon Chapter House Holy Communion and Bible time
Sunday Oct 9th <i>Trinity 17</i>	9.30am Weedon 11am Everdon	Holy Communion Holy Communion
Sunday Oct 16th <i>Trinity 18</i>	9.30am Weedon 11am Dodford	Holy Communion Holy Communion
Wednesday Oct 19 th	10.30am	Riverside Court Prayer and Praise
Sunday Oct 23rd <i>Bible Sunday</i>	9.30am Weedon 11am Everdon	Holy Communion Holy Communion
Sunday Oct 30th <i>4 before Advent</i>	11am Everdon 4pm Weedon	3 Parishes Holy Communion Service of Light

Morning Prayer is said in Weedon church Mon-Sat at 9am.

On Zoom on Friday – ID: 847 6641 9168 Passcode: 349551

Hyperlink:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84766419168?pwd=V3Rub09TektCUVQrREZlZmxkNDd09>

Readings:

Oct 2nd	2 Timothy 1.1-14	Luke 17. 5-10
Oct 9th	2 Kings 5.1-3, 7-15	Luke 17. 11-19
Oct 16th	2 Timothy 3.14 - 4.5	Luke 18. 1-8
Oct 23 rd	Romans 15. 1-6	Luke 4. 16-24
Oct 30 th	2 Thessalonians 1	Luke 19.1-10

October marks the end of the long season of 'ordinary time' and begins to look towards new beginnings in Advent. The month begins as we celebrate harvest with all that God provides us with. How do we respond to our Father God's generosity?

There is much emphasis this month on our use of Scripture and on prayer. Paul told Timothy 'All scripture is inspired by God and is^{*} useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.' If we carefully read the scriptures, then we have good guidance. It is important read and ask 'how does this apply to me today?' Discover just who Jesus was talking to and what context he was addressing. There are many books and Bible notes available to help to do this. Whatever reading material or thoughts of others which you use, pray about what you are reading and ask for God's guidance.

This instruction to pray is essential not just for Bible Study but for everything that we do. If we are truly to respond to God's generosity and be a true follower of Jesus we need to put everything in his hands through prayer.

Prayers:

- For our new King Charles III and other members of the Royal Family who will take on new responsibilities.
- For a just end to war in Ukraine, and for all places of violence
- For our government following the appointment of a new Prime Minister and Cabinet in September
- For change and growth in our Churches, our communities and ourselves.
- For those suffering in defence of their faith
- For those still struggling with Covid and other illnesses

PCC meetings:

Weds October 12th Everdon

Please pray for all those who have volunteered their time and expertise to administer your Church – and that the decisions that are made reflect God's will for these parishes.

Social events and groups around the benefice:

Tues 4th Oct Craft & Chat 2.00pm Weedon Chapter House

Tues 11th Oct Mothers' Union 2.00pm Weedon Chapter House

Tues 25th Oct Like Minded Ladies 2.00pm Weedon Chapter House

Sat 29th October Men's breakfast 8.30 am Weedon Chapter House

Think about booking a tree in the Christmas Tree Festival which will be on 10th and 11th December.

Bellringing practice is on Wednesday evenings at 7.45pm – newcomers welcome.

The monthly clean of Weedon Church happens on the last Wednesday of the month — at 9.30am. All help is gratefully accepted.

Please check dates and times before attending – sometimes they are changed

Exploring Christianity....

Maybe you want to find out more about the Christian faith, or maybe you are ready to make a commitment to it through wanting to get confirmed... 6 sessions of about 2 hours each are being held over the summer and autumn to explore the Christian faith and the Church. Anyone is welcome, whatever the state of your faith – non-existent to completely convinced – and however many questions you have. No pressure and no expectations.

The four remaining sessions, all in Weedon Chapter House, are

Sunday October 9th at 4pm,

Saturday October 22nd at 4pm,

Wednesday October 26th at 6pm

and Wednesday November 2nd at 6pm

Something to think about:

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

Philippians 4:6 (NIV)