

so, and if you already have one, do you know of someone else who you think might enjoy it? - perhaps someone who used to live in Taplow and have now moved away? - maybe a Christmas present?! For buying the book, please contact Nigel on cazanig@aol.com. Thank you.

- ♦ **Oasis:** If you missed the recent Oasis session at Burnham Abbey, you will be pleased to hear that there are other opportunities on their way! On **Thursday, 9th November from 10 am to 1pm**, our Archdeaconry Parish Development Advisor, the Revd. Gill Lovell, will be opening up how we might explore new avenues for expressing our faith experience. Her title for this exploration is: **“Free from – free for”**. [Even if you signed up to come to Gill’s original (but postponed) session, please still tell Jo Saunders if you are coming this time]. Then on **Monday, 20th November from 10am to 12.30pm**, Revd. Andrew Allen, priest at St. Mary’s Church in Slough and regular leader of Oasis sessions, will help us to get ready for the seasons of Advent and Christmas by leading a quiet morning on: **“Preparing the way”** Please book for either of the sessions by contacting Jo Saunders Tel:01628 663302 or email josau@btinternet.com at least one week before the actual session date (that is, by 2nd November for Gill Lovell and by 13th November for Andrew Allen).



Next Week’s Services

Open Wednesday (25th) 12.00 until 4.00pm including 12.30 Service followed by ploughman’s lunch

Next Sunday: Last Sunday after Trinity (29th October)

10.45am: St Nicolas/St Anne’s Joint Holy Communion led by Rev’d Joseph Fernandez

Further information on **St Nicolas Church Website:** <http://st-nicolas-taplow.org>
If you need to **contact the Vicar**, you can ring her on 01628 661182 or email her: janecresswell523@gmail.com

Notices in the Pew Leaflet: If you have a notice or news for the *Pew Leaflet*, please email it to Jim Oliver (oliverjim1@sky.com) by the end of the Wednesday preceding the Sunday date you want it in. This leaflet is on the website from the Friday preceding each Sunday.

We are part of



St Anne’s Church, Littleworth Common

St Nicolas’ Church, Taplow

19th Sunday after Trinity

22nd October, 2017



Faithful to God

Caring for each other

Serving the Community

Welcome to this morning’s Service. There is also an All Age Worship service this morning in St Nicolas School Hall.

Collect (or Prayer for Today)

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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.

First Reading: Exodus 33: 12-23 *Moses’ Intercession*

Moses said to the Lord, “See, you have said to me, ‘Bring up this people’; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favour in my sight.’ Now if I have found favour in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favour in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.” He said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.” And he said to him, “If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favour in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.”

The Lord said to Moses, “I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favour in my sight, and I know you by name.” Moses said, “Show me your glory, I pray.” And he said, “I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, ‘The Lord’; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But,” he said, “you cannot see

my face; for no one shall see me and live.” And the Lord continued, “See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.”

The Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22 *The Question about Paying Taxes*

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he



said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Anthem: *O sing joyfully* **Adrian Batten**

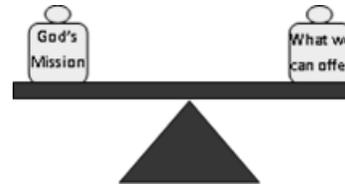
Post Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.



This Week's News and Notices

- ◆ **Our Stewardship Campaign:** Thank you to all those who have already responded to the recent stewardship campaign. We are very grateful for your support, both financial and in other ways, to the life of our church. It is not too late to respond and the box for slips to be returned will remain at the back of church for another couple of weeks. The PCC finance committee will write individually to all respondents and in due course, we will sum up what has come out of our campaign. Please do make sure you have submitted your Commitment Form. Thank you.



- ◆ **Our new hymn books:** Following the success of the Bonfire and Bangers Evening which raised an amazing £1,248.10, plus the good uptake on our new Hymn Book “in memoriam” concept, together with the use of some Choir Funds, and the RSCM Grant Scheme for these new Hymn Books, we now have the costs covered and will be putting in the order! Many thanks to everyone who has been so generous in supporting this project. We hope to have the books ready for use on Advent Sunday.



- ◆ **“Taplow Moments: A Unique History”:** We have just received a kind donation from Nigel Smales from the sales of his wonderful book ‘Taplow Moments’ towards the eventual work on the south side of St. Nicolas' Church. Nigel has generously said that all proceeds from every purchase of this incredibly well researched and comprehensive book about our village are being donated to our South Roof, Gutters & Downpipes and Wall Fund. If you haven't yet purchased a copy, please do think about doing

