



YEAR OF PRAYER 2018



15 July
2018

Trinity

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Welcome to our services at
St Barnabas' in Pound Hill &
St Nicholas' in Worth

This sheet details the readings in today's services as well as notices for everyone. **Please do take it home and share it.**

There are soft toys and books available at the back of the church for children.

At Communion, everyone is welcome to come up and receive a blessing or, if baptised, share the bread and wine. If you are here for the first time, please introduce yourselves. After the 10.00 service on Sunday please join us for refreshments.

SERVICES TODAY

08.00 Holy Communion St Nicholas'
Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Michael Boag

10.00 Sung Eucharist St Nicholas'
Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Michael Boag

10.00 Eucharist St Barnabas'
Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Sarah Upchurch

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WHAT ABOUT ENTHUSIASM FOR GOD?

The whole country seems to be overwhelmed by World Cup fever.

It is certainly a change from laid back Britain and even those hardly interested in football find themselves caught up in the atmosphere.

As I write the outcome is wide open and England have yet to face Croatia. But the sense of longing and hoping for victory is overwhelming. Added to the build-up is the fact that the England manager, Gareth Southgate, was taught by Gordon Parry at Hazelwick School and was married here at St Nicholas.

Reflecting on all this I found myself recalling a book I read many years ago entitled "Enthusiasm for God". I can't remember anything about it except the title which makes me ask the question "How enthusiastic are we about our Faith?" I'm not among the over the top, happy, clappy brigade, but wonder how enthusiastic we ought to be as followers of Jesus. It is so easy just to coast along Sunday by Sunday going through the routine of worship. It certainly wasn't like this for the early Christians who faced imprisonment and death, as many believers still do in some parts of the world.

We all need to be fired up by the Holy Spirit as well as by the World Cup.

Pray for this for yourselves and for us all as a Christian community.

Enthusiasm is infectious and if we possess this, who knows what effect this may have on other people. *Roger*

Roger

Collect

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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. **Amen**

First Reading

Amos 7.7-15



This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said,

'See, I am setting a plumb-line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'

And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.'

Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

Psalm 85.8-13



Second Reading

Ephesians 1.3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace



that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption

through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had

believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Gospel

Mark 6.14-29

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.' Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the

guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.



Post -

Communion

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Tues 17	10.30 Eucharist + Refreshments after	St Barnabas'
Tues 17	12.30 Funeral	St Nicholas'
Wed	15.00 Messy Church	St Barnabas'
Thur 19	10.30 Healing Eucharist + Refreshments after	St Nicholas'
Sat 21	12.00 Wedding	St Nicholas'
Sun 22 July	08.00 Holy Communion	St Nicholas'
	10.00 Child – friendly Eucharist	St Barnabas'
	10.00 Sung Eucharist	St Nicholas'
	11.45 Baptism	St Nicholas'

**Sunday 22 July 2018,
Mary Magdalene**

Song of Solomon 3.1-4 Psalm 42.1-10
2 Corinthians 5.14-17 John 20.1-2, 11-18

Join us at Messy Church!

Just turn up for crafts,
refreshments, activities,
a song and a story at our:



Wed 18 July 2018 St Barnabas Hall,
15.00-16.45 including a light tea

DIARY NOTES & NOTICES

Mondays – Cake Shop & Café at St Barnabas' Pastoral Centre 12.00 -17.00
Fabulous cakes to buy and to order.

Tuesdays - Forget-me-Not Café in the Pastoral Centre. Dementia-friendly café - lunches & refreshments 12.30 to 14.30

Friday Lunch in the Pastoral Centre, 2 courses and tea/coffee for £6.50. All welcome. To help with catering, please order tickets by **18 July for 20 July** at the Pastoral Centre or by calling 0300 111 8150.

Worth & Pound Hill Mothers' Union

THURSDAY 19th JULY 2018
Cost £10

A tour of Lancing College Chapel
followed by a cream tea in Steyning.

Leaving the Pastoral Centre at 1pm, driving to Lancing by car. **If you would like to join us** please let Mary Fry know ASAP.
01293 410383 or mary.fry2@btinternet.com

Friday July 27th Chichester Cathedral Fun Day. Monster Mania between 10.00am & 3.00pm (last admission 2.30pm) No need to book, cost £2.50 per child ages 3- 12 years, accompanied by an adult; Lunch available in the Cloisters Café.

Soft toys for little siblings. Details <https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/whats-on/family-activities.shtml>

To all our friends at St Nicholas and St Barnabas, we invite you to the wedding of our daughter, Natalie, to Neil Shenton, on **Saturday 28th July**, 12 noon at Holy Trinity Church, Forest Row. Simon & Marilyn Morris



Hall flooring - work on the new flooring will be carried out from **Mon 30 July- Fri 3 Aug** when there will be no hall admittance. Helpers needed at 2pm on **Saturday 28 July** to start some of the removals from the Hall, eg, Pool tables and again on **Sunday 29 July** at 12.30pm to move chairs and empty the kitchen and again on either **Fri 3 Aug or Sat 4 Aug** to replace everything. If you can spare a couple of hours to help please call. Thank you. Phyl 883362.

Saturday 21 July. Crawley Bible Society invite you to come and read or listen to a Bible Readathon between 10.00 and 15.00 at St Andrew's in Furnace Green. For more information please contact Pat Chesson on 01293 551709

Thanks to everyone who supported Deiniol Lewis for his Kenya trip. The school raised a total of £8,572 for the Ndogo Primary Sch.

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