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## 21 October 2018

**Trinity 21** 



Welcome to our services at St Barnabas' in Pound Hill and 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 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 Gordon Parry** 

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

10.00 Eucharist St Barnabas' Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Sarah Upchurch Sunday School: Leader, Caroline Formby

16.00 Choral Evensong St Nicholas' Chichester Cathedral Choir

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The Importance of being Earnest

No, this is not about Oscar Wilde. The headline is meant to capture your attention in the hope that you might read on!

Recently I read a book about Archbishop Michael Ramsey in which he writes about the 1960s. He makes some significant comments about attitudes towards the Eucharist which, in his view, had changed with introduction of what was then known as The Parish Communion. Michael Ramsey came from a tradition in the Church of England known as High Church. In those days there was a 'said' service of Holy Communion at 7 or 8 am. It was quiet and meditative. Then there was High Mass at 11 am when only the celebrant received communion. This was a splendid offering of worship with elaborate ritual, music and incense, all of which was intended to evoke a sense of awe and wonder on the part of the congregation. The Majesty and Mystery of God were paramount. In the view of the Archbishop this was lost in the introduction of the Parish Communion held at about 9.30 am at which families came together just as they do at St.Barnabas' and St. Nicholas' - although we do have a quiet 8 am service.

What Michael Ramsey lamented was the casual way in which people came to worship. Too much chatter before the service and an absence of quiet preparation. The sense of awe and wonder at what was happening seemed to get lost.

The importance of being earnest in our attitude towards the awesome meeting with Jesus in the receiving of Holy Communion needs to be cherished. A Benedictine monk wrote this:

'The only true joy on earth is to escape from ourselves and enter by love into Union with the Life who dwells and sings within the essence of every creature and in the core of our souls'.

Roger

#### **Collect**

Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; 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.

#### **A**men

## First Reading

Isaiah 53.4-12



Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon

him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

#### **Psalm** 91.9-16

Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your dwelling-place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot. Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.

When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honour them.

With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

## **Second Reading**

Hebrews 5.1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.' In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

## Gospel

Mark 10.35-45
James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one



at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will

drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

#### **Post Communion**

Father of light, in whom is no change or shadow of turning, you give us every good and perfect gift and have brought us to birth by your word of truth: may we be a living sign of that kingdom where your whole creation will be made perfect in Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### **A**men

#### **Operation Christmas Child 2018**

This year we are again supporting OCC by providing shoeboxes filled with presents for children in throughout the world. Last year our 50 boxes went to Albania. It would be fabulous if we could increase the number of boxes this year. Will you be willing to fill a box? See the separate sheet for more information and ideas. If you would like to support this initiative, but can't get out to the shops Sue Perry has made up some boxes which have cost about £16 - this includes a £5 donation towards transport distribution costs - speak to her!

SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Mon 22 Oct	11.00 Burial of Ashes	St Nicholas'
Tues 23 Oct	10.30 Healing Eucharist and refreshments after	St Barnabas'
Thur 25 Oct	10.30 Eucharist and refreshments after	St Nicholas'
Sun 28 Oct	08.00 Holy Communion (BCP)	St Nicholas'
	10.00 Family Eucharist	St Barnabas'
	10.00 Sung Eucharist	St Nicholas'
	11.45 Baptism	St Nicholas'

## Sunday 28 October 2018 Ss Simon and Jude

Isaiah 28.14-16 Psalm 119.89-96 Ephesians 2.19-22 John 15.17-27

#### Join us at Messy Church!

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



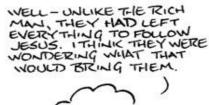
Wed 7 Nov 15.15 - 16.45 Maidenbower Infant School

#### **Memorials**

There is a list in both churches of the names of deceased loved ones for you to indicate if you would like them to be read on All Soul's Day and/or the anniversary of their death. Please tick the respective column(s) before 28 October. Thank you

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#### **DIARY NOTES & NOTICES**

Mondays – JayDee's Café 12.00 – 17.00 at the Pastoral Centre.

**Friday Lunch** in the Pastoral Centre, two courses and tea/coffee for £6.50. All welcome. To help with catering, please order tickets by **24 Oct** for **26 Oct** at the Pastoral Centre or by calling 0300 111 8150.

**Sun 21 Oct 16.00** Chichester Choir sings Evensong at St Nicholas.

The next Parish Prayer Group will be on Wed 24 Oct at 19.30 at St Barnabas'.



We'd be delighted if you could come.

Thur 25 Oct 14.00 Knit & Natter. Pastoral Centre

## Thur 25 Oct 19.30 MU Songs of Praise Followed by coffee & CAKE Everyone welcome.

Sat 3 Nov 14.00 'Poppy Appeal' Recital by Simon Morris in Holy Trinity, Forest Row, Retiring

**Sat 3 Nov 16.00** at St Barnabas' – **A Time to Remember** - A quiet, reflective service

Sat 3 Nov 18.30 at St Nicholas' All Souls Requiem Eucharist.

collection, refreshments at 15.00

**Sun 4 Nov All Saints Sunday**, we will welcome Bishop Mark to St Nicholas for the Confirmation of Lisa Arnold & Luke Milburn and the Baptism and Confirmation of Toby Carpenter.

**Sat 10 Nov Jumble Sale 9.30 - 11.00** in the Hall. Please save your jumble but do not bring it before 9 Nov as we do not have storage space; if you are able to help please sign the list at St Barnabas' Thank you!

Sat 24 Nov 15.00 - 16.15. The Mothers' Union invite you to a Pre-Christmas Afternoon Tea at the Pastoral Centre, giving you an opportunity to relax before the big day! Tickets from Mary Fry 01293 410383 (St B) & Jacky Hemsley (St N) @ £5 per person. There will also be a Christmas Hamper Raffle. All in aid of MU projects. See Posters for details.

Toby, who joined us this year, has started a local locksmith business, so if you need help, please call him on 07779 777557

#### Sat I Dec Christmas Fair

Stalls 11.00 - 13.00; Lunches 12.00 - 14.00. We particularly welcome bottles (full!), Christmas items – chocolates, biscuits, cakes, puddings, mince pies and crackers, gifts, raffle prizes, toys etc. Please keep your items at home; a box for contributions will be in each church from 4 Nov. There will also be a signing list for those willing to help at the Fair. Thank you.

#### **Worth Church Clothing**

You may have seen the great tops the bell ringers have been wearing this last year. A form is available in both churches to order Tops – poloshirts, hoodies, sweatshirts & fleeces, all with our Worth Church logo. Colour options & sizings are detailed on the form. Any orders & payments may be made to Lucy Laing or Colin Smith

#### October 100 Club winners

£100	Elizabeth Whyman	No 22
£50	Sheila Sellar	No 8
£25	Ian Pallett	No 44
£25	Sue Perry	No 9

You have to be in it to win it – or so the saying goes. Each month a number generator randomly picks 4 numbers in front of witnesses. Prizes allocated as above. Any money not given as prize money goes to the Church funds. Family and friends are welcome to join in too. Want to join? Please speak to Sheila Dring or call the office on 0300 111 8150

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