

**11 November
2018**

**Remembrance
Sunday**



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

Please send pew sheet notices
to pewsheet@worthparish.org
or phone 0300 111 8150

Recent commemorative TV programmes have featured groups of British and German soldiers facing the slaughter and the squalor of the Somme as the seemingly endless stalemate of the First World War created ever-deepening scars across the fields of Flanders. After a particularly heavy British bombardment of the German lines, prior to another planned offensive, soldiers on both sides were shown in prayer to the same God with their respective chaplains. That showed a baffling moment, one of many moments which, added together, create a monumentally difficult challenge given by armed conflict to religion, to faith and to our understanding of ourselves and what motivates us.

For what reasons were prayers being offered to God? On which side was he supposed to be? Would he be able to deliver them – whichever side they were on – from death or injury? Each must have brought before God the supposed rightness of their respective cause that cost so many millions of lives across Europe, the cause for which over 800,000 poppies were placed around the Tower of London in 2014 to commemorate the fallen of this country in that terrible war. How could or would God respond to all their prayers? Could they have been praying for forgiveness for the slaughter they had perpetrated and were about to do so again?

There are those who say that the scale and intensity of death and suffering during the Great War obliterated faith in God for a very large number of people. Our readings for Remembrance Sunday can give us hope: in Micah is the aspiration that nations should not 'learn war any more' and in St John's Gospel is Christ's impassioned appeal for us to abide in his love. Those words offer us a challenge we should make every effort to meet.

Gordon

Collect

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Reading

Micah 4.1-5

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills.

Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between

many peoples, and

shall arbitrate between

strong nations far

away; they shall beat

their swords into

ploughshares, and their

spears into pruning-

hooks; nation shall not

lift up sword against nation, neither shall they

learn war any more; but they shall all sit

under their own vines and under their own

fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid;

for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has

spoken.

For all the peoples walk, each in the name of

its god, but we will walk in the name of the

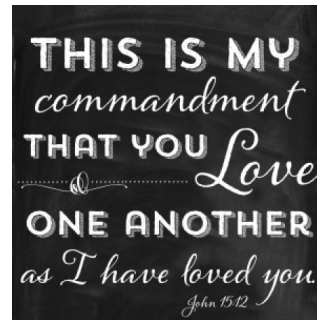
Lord our God for ever and ever.



Gospel

John 15.9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that



you love one another as I have loved you.

No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you.

I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Post Communion

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

Join us at Messy Church!

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

Wed 21 Nov

15:00 – 16:45 St Barnabas'



Thanks to all those able to support the Saturday Market on 3 November; £102.70 was raised.

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

Pastoral Centre Refurbishment We are fortunate in being chosen as one of the charities for the Co-op Local Community Fund. Co-op members can choose our charity to give their 1% to when they spend on selected own-brand products and services. To provide further information, Rajin, a team leader from Pound Hill Parade Co-op will be coming to St Barnabas' on **Sunday 18 November at 11.30**. We hope that as many people as possible from both congregations will come along and join us for refreshments.

Albert A Everest d. 07.11.18

A driver in the 56th (London) Divisional Ammunition Column, Royal Field Artillery, Albert Everest died of pneumonia at the age of 31 and is buried in St Nicholas' churchyard. Born at Worcester Park, Surrey, the son of James and Eliza Ann (Annie) Everest; his father was a bricklayer. His wife Rose Matilda Everest lived at 88 High St, Three Bridges.

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Tues 13 Nov	10.30 Eucharist and refreshments after	St Barnabas'
Thur 15 Nov	10.30 Healing Eucharist; coffee after	St Nicholas'
Sun 18 Nov	08.00 Holy Communion (BCP)	St Nicholas'
	10.00 Eucharist	St Barnabas'
	10.00 Sung Eucharist	St Nicholas'

Sunday 18 November 2018

Second Sunday before Advent

Daniel 12.1-3 Psalm 16
Hebrews 10.11-14, 19-25 Mark 13.1-8

Festivals this week

Tues 13	Charles Simeon 1836 (LF)
Wed 14	Samuel Seabury 1796 (C)
Fri 16	Margaret of Scotland 1093 (LF) Edmund Rich 1240 (C)
Sat 17	Hugh 1200 (LF)

(F) Festival; (LF) Lesser Festival
(C) Commemoration



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DIARY NOTES & NOTICES

Sun 11 Nov The **bellringers** will join bellringers across the country to mark Remembrance Sunday and the 100th anniversary of the end of WWI at 12.30 and 19.05

Mon 12 Nov 11.00 Julian Group
St Barnabas'

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

Toddlers Group Tues 13 Nov and Thur 15 Nov 9.15-11.00. St Barnabas' Hall

Wed 14 Nov 14.30 Pastoral Assistants' Tea for All. Pastoral Centre

Thur 15 Nov 14.00 Knit & Natter.
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 **14 Nov** for **16 Nov** at the Pastoral Centre or by calling 0300 111 8150.

Sat 24 Nov 15.00-16.15. The Mothers' Union invite you to a **Pre-Christmas Afternoon Tea** at the Pastoral Centre. 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.

Wed 28 Nov 14.30 Parish Prayer Group St Nicholas'

Sat 1 Dec Christmas Fair
Stalls **11.00-13.00**; Lunches 12.00-14.00. Bottles (full!), Christmas items – chocolates, biscuits, cakes, puddings, mince pies and crackers, gifts, raffle prizes, toys welcome. A box for contributions and a signing list for those willing to help at the Fair is now available in both churches. Thank you.

Mon 3 Dec 14.30 Dementia Friendly Christmas Carol Service Chichester Cathedral in association with Alzheimer's Society Chichester and Bognor Positive Thinkers. Groups from Residential Homes welcome. Refreshments. No charge; tickets not required. Further info: 01243 812497 or sue.poll@chichestercathedral.org.uk

Sat 8 Dec 14.00-16.00 Advent Meditations with Fine Art led by Fr Michael at the Pastoral Centre. Light refreshments and all are welcome.

Operation Christmas Child 2018

We are again supporting OCC. 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. **Today is the last day to donate, or see Sue.**

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