# 27 October 2019

# **Last Sunday** after Trinity



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.

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.

There are soft toys and books available for children. Note that we do not normally sing the starred (\*) verses in hymns.

### **SERVICES TODAY**

08:00 Holy Communion St Nicholas' Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Michael Boag

10:00 Sung Eucharist St Nicholas' Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Michael Boag

10:00 Child Friendly Eucharist St Barnabas' Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Sarah Upchurch

11:45 Baptism St Nicholas'

12:45 Baptism St Nicholas'

14:00 Blessing Service St Nicholas'

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'all truly repent, have mercy upon you...'

These are words spoken many times a week by priests all over the world in response to confession.

lesus teaches us in this parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector that it is not by our actions that we are justified. It is something to do with our innermost being in relationship with our creator.

The arrogant Pharisee in this story needed a generous helping of self-awareness. The Tax Collector was painfully self-aware of his failings.

Within our church community we are called to be individually and corporately self-aware. Being in church and doing Christian things won't justify us. We all need a generous helping of self-awareness sometimes.

Think of King David who was described as "a man after God's own heart" (Acts 13.22). You would think that he was a righteous man who obeyed God, slayed Goliath and led armies of Israel into victory. However, he was not right all the time; beautiful Bathsheba got the better of him and he ended up making a terrible mistake.

It took Nathan the prophet to enable David to be made aware of his crime. The key is to listen, no matter how right you think you are.

The wonderful thing about all this is that when we really do repent and we are truly sorry for what we have done, God is merciful, he forgives us even though we don't deserve it.

Go and do likewise.

Peace be with you

Revd Sarah

### **Collect**

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen** 

## **Reading** Ecclesiasticus 35.12-17

Give to the Most High as he has given to you, and as generously as you can afford. For the Lord is the one who repays, and he will repay you sevenfold.

Do not offer him a bribe, for he will not accept it; and do not rely on a dishonest sacrifice; for the Lord is the judge, and with him there is no partiality. He will not show partiality to the poor; but he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged. He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan, or the widow when she pours out her complaint.

### Psalm Psalm 84.1-7



How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh

sing for joy to the living God.

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise. Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion. As they go through the valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools. They go from strength to strength; the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

## **Reading** 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has

come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of

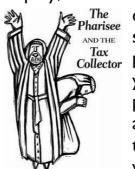


righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

# Gospel Luke 18.9-14

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: 'Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-



collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my

income." But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

#### **Post Communion**

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever **Amen** 

SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Tues 29 Oct	10:30 Eucharist and refreshments after	St Barnabas'
Thur 31 Oct	10:30 Eucharist and refreshments after	St Nicholas'
Sat 2 Nov	16:00 A Time to Remember	St Barnabas'
	18:30 Requiem for All Souls	St Nicholas'
Sun 3 Nov	08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)	St Nicholas'
	10:00 Eucharist & Sunday School	St Barnabas'
	10:00 Child Friendly Sung Eucharist	St Nicholas'
	11:45 Baptism	St Nicholas'

# Sunday 3 November 2019 All Saints Sunday

Daniel 7.1-3,15-18 Psalm 149 Ephesians 1.11-23 Luke 6.20-31

Festivals this week		
Mon 28 Oct	Simon and Jude, Apostles (F)	
Tues 29 Oct	James Hannington, Bishop, Martyr in Uganda 1885 (LF)	
Thur 31 Oct	Martin Luther, Reformer 1546 (C)	
Fri I Nov	All Saints Day (F)	
Sat 2 Nov	All Souls Day (F)	
(F) Festival; (LF) Lesser Festival; (C) Commemoration		

### **Pastoral Centre Refurbishment**

Our year's link with the Co-op as one of their charities from their local community fund ended on 26 October 2019. Our shopping there has raised £3,113.18. Thank you to all who participated.

## **November Messy Church**

Please join us for the story, crafts, songs and prayers, followed by a light tea. Each month we are now offering a choice of weekend or weekday, the next Messy Church will be on:

Sat 16 Nov 15:30 and Wed 20 Nov 15.00, in the Hall at St Barnabas'.

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Everyone welcome - mums, dads, grandparents carers - come and enjoy!

We are collecting **Christmas shoeboxes for Link to Hope** who send them to families and the elderly in Eastern Europe. Instructions at the back of each Church. Please return your filled boxes by **31 Oct** so that we can send them off.

The Lighthouse Project has a vacancy for a Primary Schools Assembly Co-ordinator and are looking for a dynamic and engaging individual. Part-time, 10 hrs/week; Salary £20,500 pro rata. Closing date: 11 November. Further information: 07583 982596 or lizzie.ashley@lighthouseprojectcrawley.org

As a parish we encourage **recycling**. We collect:

- Spectacles without cases (to Boots Chemist for Third World countries);
- Postage stamps (to St Catherine's Hospice who sell them);
- Plastic bottle tops any with a triangle containing a '2' (to Billingshurst Library for a children's hospice);
- Inkjet cartridges (to the Blond McIndoe Research Foundation)

As the storage facilities at St N's are limited, please take directly to St B's, or give to Sue on a Sunday.

### **DIARY NOTES & NOTICES**

Mon 12:00-17:00 JayDee's Café at the Pastoral Centre.

Thur 31 Oct 14:00 Knit & Natter Pastoral Centre.

Friday Lunch | Nov | 12:30 in the Pastoral Centre: two courses and tea/coffee for £6.50. All welcome. To help with catering, please order tickets by 30 Oct at the Pastoral Centre or by calling 0300 111 8150.

### The Hangout

Youth Club at St Barnabas' Fri 8 Nov 19:00-20:30 Ages 12-16. Entry free. Weekly during term time. (Fri I Nov is Half Term)

Fri I Nov 10:00-15:00 Another Fun Day at Chichester Cathedral – Wonderful World. See posters for details.

Sat 2 Nov 10:00 Saturday Market at St Barnabas'

Sat 2 Nov 14:00 Royal British Legion Poppy **Appeal Recital** at Holy Trinity Church, Forest Row. See posters for details.

Thur 7 Nov 19:30 for 20:00 St Nicholas' Circle at the Pastoral Centre: Desert Island **Discs.** Max will interview Graham Beaumont. about his life and choice of music.

Shoebox Volunteers Needed 11 Nov - 6 **Dec** at the Headquarters: Park Road, Worthing BNII 2AN. All ages welcome - there is a job for everyone! Can you spare an hour or two (morning, afternoon or evening) to help with the Shoebox Campaign for Link to Hope? Contact: info@linktohope.co.uk or 01903 529333

### Magazine:

Copy deadline for the next Magazine is **7 Nov**.

100 Club October Draw

£100 Gill Osborne (30)

£ 50 Malcolm Booker (23)

£ 25 Pat Childs (40)

£ 25 Joan Pallet (10)

Sat 9 Nov 19:00 Quiz and Fish & Chip **Supper** at St John the Evangelist, Copthorne (Parish Hub, Borers Arms Road RH10 3ZO) Suggested donation £12.50; pay on the night. Soft drinks available but BYO alcohol. To book: admin@copthorne.org or 01342 712063

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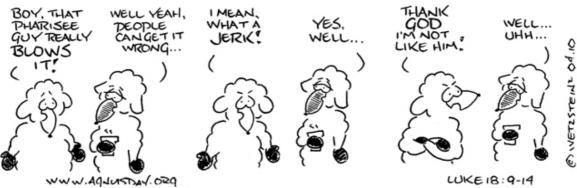
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