



THE CHURCH
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WORTH PARISH

Serving Crawley in Worth, Pound Hill, Maidenbower and Forge Wood

**26 January
2020**

Epiphany 3



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:	Rev'd Sarah Upchurch
11:45 Baptism	St Nicholas'

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Different yet united in the same mind and purpose.

Last week's Gospel spoke of Saint Andrew who was one of the first companions of Jesus. It was Andrew who introduced his brother Simon to him, Simon who became Peter.

On Monday and Tuesday of this week I was delighted to have two days of retreat at the Sisters of St Andrew in Lewisham. There was a warm and gentle welcome for us. The Sisters of St Andrew are Roman Catholic and I shared this retreat with some local Christian colleagues; ministers who included a Methodist, a Baptist and a United Reformed Minister! Through fellowship and friendship, we were united in our love for Jesus and our desire for others to know, love and follow Jesus. This retreat coincided with the week of prayer for Christian Unity!

While we were there we were encouraged to reflect upon the humility of Jesus and John the Baptist, which was last week's Gospel reading. I enjoyed being reminded of the role that Andrew played in those first interactions with Jesus and his disciples. This week we are told of brothers Andrew and Simon again being called by Jesus; men called to be followers of Jesus and in time to bring others to know Jesus.

On our retreat, when we worshipped, prayed and shared a meal we were all together. I did not feel separated, only united in the love we share for our Lord and Saviour.

What a happy and blessed coincidence.
Peace be with you,

Rev'd Sarah

Collect

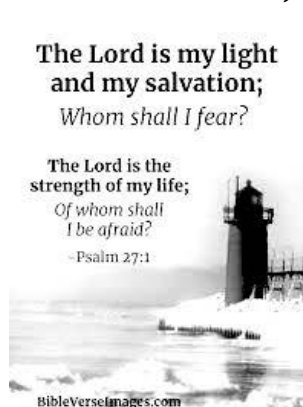
Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Reading *Isaiah 9.1-4*

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Psalm *Psalm 27.1,4-12*



The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to

behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock. Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me! 'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!' Your face, Lord, do I seek. Do not hide your face from me.

Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation! If my father and mother forsake me, the Lord will take me up.

Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies. Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen against me, and they are breathing out violence.

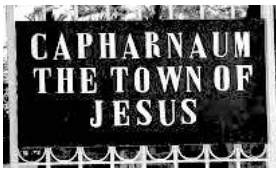
Reading *1 Corinthians 1.10-18*

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Gospel *Matthew 4.12-23*

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and



Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 'Land of Zebulun,

land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles - the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.' From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake - for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.



Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Post Communion

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**



Festivals this week

Tues 28 Jan	Thomas Aquinas, Teacher of the Faith 1274 (LF)
Thur 30 Jan	Charles, King and Martyr 1649 (LF)
Fri 31 Jan	John Bosco, Founder of the Salesian Teaching Order 1888 (C)
Sat 1 Feb	Brigid of Kildare, Abbess c.525 (C)
(F) Festival; (LF) Lesser Festival; (C) Commemoration	

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Tues 28 Jan	10:30 Healing Eucharist and refreshments after	St Barnabas'
Thur 30 Jan	10:30 Eucharist and refreshments after	St Nicholas'
Fri 31 Jan	11:00 Funeral	St Nicholas'
Sun 2 Feb	08:00 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Eucharist 10:00 Child Friendly Sung Eucharist	St Nicholas' St Barnabas' St Nicholas'

Sunday 2 February 2020 The Presentation (Candlemas)

Malachi 3.1-5 Psalm 24
Hebrews 2.14-end Luke 2.22-40

February 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 8 Feb 15:30 and **Wed 12 Feb 15:15**, in the Hall at St Barnabas'.

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



DIARY NOTES & NOTICES

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

**Toddlers Group Tues 28 Jan and
Thur 30 Jan 9:15-11:00** St Barnabas' Hall.

Thur 30 Jan 14:00 Knit & Natter
in the Pastoral Centre.

Friday Lunch 31 Jan 12:30 in the Pastoral
Centre; two courses and tea/coffee for £6.50.
All welcome. To help with catering, please
order tickets by **29 Jan** at the Pastoral
Centre or by calling 0300 111 8150.

The Hangout

Youth Club at St Barnabas'

Fri 31 Jan 19:00-20:30 Years 7-11.
Entry free. Weekly during term time.

**Sat 1 Feb 9:45-16:00 Christian Dance
Fellowship of Great Britain** Mid-South
Regional Workshop at St Barnabas'. To book
a place email mid-south@cdfb.org.uk or text
or WhatsApp 07939056002. Cost £13 non-
members; bring packed lunch, drinks
provided.

Sat 1 Feb 10:00-11:45 Saturday Market
in the Pastoral Centre. Valentine cards will be
on sale.

Sat 1 Feb 19:30 Worth Parish Quiz
at St Barnabas' Hall. Ploughman's and
Pudding; bring your own alcohol. £10 a head.
Teams of up to 6 members. Please let the
Parish Office know numbers (see 'Contacts')
if you are entering a team/teams, to assist
with catering. Pay on the night.

Thur 6 Feb 19:30 St Nicholas' Circle in
the Pastoral Centre: Table top quiz.

Sat 8 Feb Jumble Sale at St Barnabas'.
Please save your jumble and bring it to the
Hall on Fri 7 Feb 20:30-21:30, or Sat 8 Feb
8:30-9:00.
Thank you.

Wed 12 Feb 14:30 Parish Tea offered in
the Pastoral Centre – good company – great
food. Everybody welcome.

Sun 16 Feb 16:00 Chichester Cathedral
Choir sing Choral Evensong at Holy Trinity,
Forest Row. Followed by refreshments.

The Lighthouse Project Crawley has two
job vacancies: Secondary Schools Co-
ordinator; Primary Assemblies Co-ordinator
– both part-time. Contact:
lizzie.ashley@lighthouseprojectcrawley.org or
call 07583 982596. Closing date 27 Jan.

Chichester Cathedral Events

Details of all Services and Events up to March
2020 (inc. half-term Fun Day) can be found at:
chichestercathedral.org/whats-cathedral
Leaflets are also available at the back of both
churches.

'Scrabble and Cake' on 22 Jan raised £71
towards St Barnabas' Refurbishment. Thanks
to all the supporters. Next 'Scrabble and
Cake' - Tuesday 25 February 14.00

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