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**4 October
2020**

**Dedication
Festival /
Trinity 17**



Welcome to
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.

If you are here for the first time, please introduce yourselves.

There are soft toys and books available for children.

SERVICES TODAY

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP) St Nicholas'
Celebrant & Preacher Revd Gordon Parry

10:00 Said Eucharist St Barnabas'
Celebrant & Preacher Revd Francis Pole

10:15 Said Eucharist & Blessing St Nicholas'
Celebrant & Preacher Bishop Martin

Bishop Martin's Visit - TODAY

The service will start at **10:15** and will be held outside in the new Memorial Garden.

Everyone is welcome but "social distancing" must be observed.

The Garden will be consecrated and the new statue blessed during this service.

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

Listening to Fr Nicolas CR (when he was visiting us last month), talk about John Bradburne (1921–1979), who cared for lepers in Zimbabwe and who was martyred there, 'He had few possessions, only love', reminded me of the saint, whose day it is today; Francis of Assisi (1182–1226).

Bradburne, known as a pilgrim, hermit, poet, musician, joker, mystic, and theologian, dedicated his life to follow the way of St Francis. Like him, he enriched the church by his poverty and was generally thought to be crazy. Almost everything Francis did was interpreted by someone as a sign that he had lost his mind. Francis didn't argue with them. He openly admitted that he was a fool, but not just any kind of fool. He was fool enough to believe that Jesus actually meant his disciples to live as he had instructed. 'Sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' Francis heard and followed the call of Jesus to seek first God's Kingdom and God's righteousness, God's justice. If we desire to live a whole life, a free life, an unconcerned life, then we must seek the Kingdom before all else. Kingdom living ensures no one is ever uncared for. Francis latched onto that pure faith, and from the moment he experienced his conversion to a life of holy poverty, Francis lived a life of deep vulnerability and deep joy. May we find the same deep peace and deep joy.

Fr Michael

Please note:

While **St Nicholas'** will be celebrating the Dedication Festival (with the prayers and readings given below), **St Barnabas'** will observe Trinity 17 and the readings will be: Isaiah 5.1-7, Philippians 3.4b-14 and Matthew 21.33-46

Collect

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.

Amen

Reading *1 Kings 8.22-30*



Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, 'O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth

beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, "There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me." Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David. 'But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Have regard to your servant's prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and

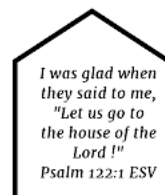
the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day towards this house, the place of which you said, "My name shall be there", that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays towards this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray towards this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling-place; heed and forgive.

Psalm *Psalm 122*

I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord! Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem - built as a city that is bound firmly together. To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord. For there the thrones for judgement were set up, the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: May they prosper who love you. Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers.' For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, 'Peace be within you.' For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good.



Reading *Hebrews 12.18-24*



You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest,

and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the

righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

Gospel John 19.38-42

After these things, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, though a secret one because of his fear of the Jews, asked Pilate to let him take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission; so he came and removed his body. Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds. They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews. Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in



the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

Post Communion

Father in heaven, whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace, an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem: grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage that, fed with the living bread of heaven, and united in the body of your Son, we may be the temple of your presence, the place of your glory on earth, and a sign of your peace in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Remembrance Diary

A list of names will be in both churches from Sun 20 Sept until 25 Oct. Please indicate by 'ticking' in the column shown, if you would like your loved one's name included in our Parish prayers during 2021. If any names are to be added, please add to the bottom of the page for the correct month and include date and year.

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The Remembrance Diary is also available online: worthparish.org/remembrance-diary
Find it at Get involved>Faith>Prayer in our parish>Remembrance diary. An online form, which is only sent to Joan Tick, can also be used to submit entries.

SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Tues 6 Oct	10:30 Eucharist	St Barnabas'
Thur 8 Oct	10:30 Eucharist	St Nicholas'
Sun 11 Oct	08:00 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Said Eucharist 10:00 Said Eucharist and Baptism	St Nicholas' St Barnabas' St Nicholas'
Sunday 11 October 2020 Trinity 18 Isaiah 25.1-9 Psalm 23 Philippians 4.1-9 Matthew 22.1-14		

Festivals this week	
Tues 6 Oct	William Tyndale, Translator of the Scriptures, Reformation Martyr 1536 (LF)
Fri 9 Oct	Denys, Bp of Paris, and his Companions, Martyrs c.250 (C) Robert Grosseteste, Bp of Lincoln, Philosopher, Scientist 1253 (C)
Sat 10 Oct	Paulinus, Bp of York, Missionary 644 (LF) Thomas Traherne, poet, Spiritual Writer 1674 (C)
(F) Festival; (LF) Lesser Festival; (C) Commemoration	



DIARY NOTES & NOTICES

St Nicholas' Julian Group

Thursday 8 Oct 14:30. Please feel free to join us for half an hour of silent prayer and contemplation. Plenty of space available!

St Barnabas' Julian Group

Monday 12 Oct 11:00. Please feel free to join us for half an hour of silent prayer and contemplation. Plenty of space available!

The Hangout Youth Club

Fridays during term time. 19:00-20:30.

Years 7-11. Entry free.

Due to current guidelines and limitations on numbers, places need to be booked by emailing: youth@worthparish.org

Saturdays 10:30 via Zoom

Please join us via Zoom for our Rise and Shine 'coffee' mornings. A chance to chat to friends old and new! Contact Greta for further information and/or the Zoom link for the sessions at: curate@worthparish.org

Making a donation to the Parish

Parish finances are suffering in the present circumstances, largely as result of the loss of Hall and Pastoral Centre bookings. A discussion by Stuart Sharpe will appear in the Sept Magazine. In the meantime, you may make a donation to the Parish at:

Worth PCC, sort code 40-18-22 a/c 61223372

Keyboards – free to a good, worthy home

Yamaha full-size keyboard with various 'voices' and drumbeats; Casio full-size keyboard with varied voices and drumbeats. Both in pristine condition with padded safety carrying bags and instruction books; one keyboard stand.

If interested, contact: pyneavem@gmail.com (Yvonne/Paul Miller)

Temporary Editor sought for the **Parish Magazine** while the current editor has a year's sabbatical.

If interested in this rewarding job – contact Sue Perry/the Office

Did your dad, mum, serve in WW2, was your Auntie a Land Army girl or your grandad a member of the home front? In fact, did any member of your family or a friend serve in any way during WW2? If so, and you have any photos/documentation relating to this would you be willing to lend them to us for our **planned Remembrance Day display** to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the ending of WW2. Any material loaned would be well looked after and returned when displayed dismantled.

If you think you have anything of interest and would be willing to lend it, please contact Jane Stanford on 01293 543065 or 07967139168.

Thank you in advance.

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