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**1 November
2020**

All Saints Day



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 Fr Michael Boag

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

10:00 Said Eucharist St Nicholas'
Celebrant Fr Michael Boag

16:00 A Time to Remember St Barnabas'



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

Today is a joyful celebration of the heroes of the Christian faith, not just the foundation stones on which Christ's church is built, but all those people, down through the ages, whose lives and example of faithfulness to the Gospel have inspired so many thousands to closer communion with God; the saints who, with the angels, make up the festal gathering of heaven. Jesus describes these folk in today's Gospel reading as the modest, the merciful, the peacemakers and encourages us to follow their good example.

We may have an image of the gathering of the saints in heaven that is rather like a smart party to which we have not been invited. Because we don't feel worthy of an invitation, we can think of ourselves as being shut out, our noses pressed against the window, our ears to the wall, whereas in truth that is not the heaven of Jesus. We are all bidden to the party; we are all encouraged to run the race that is set before us, even when it is a struggle. We belong to the Kingdom of Heaven for God calls us to himself. If there is any jostling in that crowd of spirits of the righteous made perfect, it is so they can get a better vantage point from which to cheer us on. 'O blest communion, fellowship divine!' as the hymn goes, 'We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.'

Keep running the race!

Fr Michael

Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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 Revelation 7.9-17



After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and

languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and

God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

Psalm Psalm 34.1-10

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed.

This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble. The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him. O fear the Lord, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want. The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

I prayed to the Lord,
and he answered me.

He freed me
from all my
fears.

- Psalm 34.4



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Reading 1 John 3.1-3



See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us

is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Gospel Matthew 5.1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in

heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.



Post Communion

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Festivals this week	
Tues 3 Nov	Richard Hooker, Priest, Anglican Apologist, Teacher 1600 (LF) Martin of Porres, Friar 1639 (C)
Fri 6 Nov	Leonard, Hermit 6 th century (C) William Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury, Teacher 1944 (C)
Sat 7 Nov	Willibrord of York, Bishop, Apostle of Frisia 739 (LF)
(F) Festival; (LF) Lesser Festival; (C) Commemoration	

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Tues 3 Nov	10:30 Eucharist	St Barnabas'
Thur 5 Nov	10:30 Eucharist	St Nicholas'
Sun 8 Nov	08:00 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Said Eucharist 10:00 Said Eucharist	St Nicholas' St Barnabas' St Nicholas'

Sunday 8 November 2020 Remembrance Sunday

Micah 4.1-5 Psalm 27.1-6,16-17
I Peter 1.3-9 John 15.9-17

DIARY NOTES & NOTICES

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 Revd 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 appears in the latest Magazine. In the meantime, you may make a donation to the Parish at:
Worth PCC, sort code 40-18-22 a/c 61223372

Copy deadline for next Magazine

All copy for the next edition of the Magazine to Sue Perry, or the Office, by **19 Nov** please.

Remembrance Day Display

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 display 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.



St Nicholas' Julian Group

Thursday 12 November 14:30

Please join us for half an hour of silent prayer and contemplation. Plenty of space available – no need to book!

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GOD SPEAKS & THINGS ARE!
THE CREATOR SAYS
"LET TED BE BLESSED."
AND YOU
ARE!



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SAY "LET TED HAVE
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MATTHEW 5:1-12