



**3 October
2021**

Harvest Festival



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.

SERVICES TODAY

Our churches are now open again
(With Covid precautions – see page 3)

Certain services will still be available
online (live or recorded)

08:00 Said Eucharist (BCP) St Nicholas'
Celebrant & Preacher Revd Sarah Upchurch

10:00 Sung Eucharist St Barnabas'
Celebrant & Preacher Revd Sarah Upchurch
(and Bring and Share Lunch after)

10:00 Sung Eucharist St Nicholas'
Celebrant & Preacher Revd Greta



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

Teresa of Ávila, wrote:

Let nothing disturb you.
Let nothing make you afraid.
All things are passing.
God alone never changes.
Patience gains all things.
If you have God you will want for
nothing.
God alone suffices.

Jesus describes abundant life throughout the gospels in terms of relationship, community, love, purpose. These may be less tangible than material goods but are much more powerful. The joy of a good conversation, the sense of purpose from helping another, the warmth of a loving relationship, the feeling of strong community support, gathering with friends or family, the many ways we are blessed each day. And yet we can so easily be pushed into focussing on what is negative or missing, rather than what is positive and right in front of us. A crisis, real or imagined, can make us feel insecure, as this past year and a half has shown us. I wonder if the nation's store cupboards are still full of pasta after the initial panic buying at the start of the first lockdown, and are all the cars now full of petrol this week?

Jesus came to tell us that God wants so much more for us than simply more stuff: life, love, mercy, forgiveness, communion and community. And God will not stop sharing this message with us. So let us give thanks for his persistence and beg him to open our ears to his message.

Do not worry... life is more than food,
and the body more than clothing.

Fr Michael

Collect

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Reading Joel 2.21-27

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing-floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you.



You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you.

And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Psalm Psalm 126

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, 'The Lord has done great things for them.'

The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced. Restore our fortunes, O Lord,



like the watercourses in the Negeb. May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy. Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

Reading 1 Timothy 2.1-7

First of all, then, I urge that entreaties, prayers, petitions and thanksgivings be made on behalf of all men.

1 Timothy 2:1

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First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for

everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all - this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Gospel Matthew 6.25-33

'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you - you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?"

or “What will we wear?” For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the



kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be

given to you as well.

Post Communion

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Tues 5 Oct	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Barnabas'
Thur 7 Oct	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Nicholas'
Fri 8 Oct	10:00 Brook School Harvest Festival	St Nicholas'
Sat 9 Oct	14:00 Baptism 15:00 Burial of Ashes	St Nicholas' St Nicholas'
Sun 10 Oct	8:00 Eucharist (BCP) 10:00 Sung Eucharist 10:00 Sung Eucharist 11:45 Baptism 15:00 Baptism	St Nicholas' St Barnabas' St Nicholas' St Nicholas' St Nicholas'
Sunday 10 October 2021 Trinity 19 Amos 5.6-7,10-15 Psalm 90.12-17 Hebrews 4.12-16 Mark 10.17-31		

After the service at **St Barnabas' this Sunday** there will be a Bring and Share Lunch. Everyone welcome! Late notice, but bring yourself and share anyway.

Festivals this week	
Mon 4 Oct	Francis of Assisi, Friar, Founder of the Friars Minor 1226 (LF)
Wed 6 Oct	William Tyndale, Translator of the Scriptures, Reformation Martyr 1536 (LF)
Sat 9 Oct	Denys, Bishop of Paris, and his Companions, Martyrs c.250 (C) Robert Grossteste, Bishop of Lincoln, Philosopher, Scientist 1253 (C)
(F) Festival; (LF) Lesser Festival; (C) Commemoration	

DIARY NOTES & NOTICES

Covid Precautions in Church

While many of the Government restrictions have now been lifted, we are continuing to be careful and cautious in both our churches:

- Please wear masks (if not exempt) and use hand sanitizer when entering and moving about inside.
- Masks may be removed during the service.
- We have resumed congregational singing. If you are uncomfortable with this, please sit somewhere apart from or behind those who are singing. It may be that we limit the amount of congregational singing and this will be explained before the service.

Pastoral Centre Café

The Café is open for Coffee and Cake on Wed and Sat from 10:00. Donations of home made cakes are welcomed – please contact Revd Sarah.

Toddlers Group

The Toddlers Group meets on **Tuesdays 13:00-15:00** and **Thursdays 9:00-11:00** during term time in St Barnabas' Hall. (no longer any need to book)

The Hangout

Youth Club at St Barnabas' is back on **Fridays 19:00-20:30** Years 7-11. Entry free. Weekly during term time.

Aubrey Tick

We regret to announce that Aubrey died
on Saturday 25 September.
Funeral arrangements to follow.
Rest in Peace – Rise in Glory

Shirley Hillsley

We regret to announce that Shirley died
on Saturday 25 September.
Funeral arrangements to follow.
Rest in Peace – Rise in Glory

St Nicholas' Circle

will meet **in person** in St Barnabas' Hall on **Thur 7 Oct at 19:30** for cheese and wine, soft and hot drinks. Everyone welcome, just bring yourselves and we can all catch up.

Friday Lunches

Lunch in the Pastoral Centre at 12:30 on **8 Oct**. Two courses and a drink £6.50. To help with catering please book your place at the Pastoral Centre (café open Wed and Sat) or via the Parish Office, by Wed **6 Oct**. All welcome.

St Nicholas' Julian Group

continues to meet on the second Wednesday of each month. Please join us for half an hour of silent prayer **Wed 13 October at 12:30** in the side chapel.

Book Sale

Sat 23 Oct, 10:00-12:00, in the Pastoral Centre, in aid of St Barnabas' Refurbishment. Do come and buy a book (or more) and enjoy refreshments in the Café.

Jumble Sale

Sat 30 Oct, 10:00-11:30 in St Barnabas' Hall. In aid of St Barnabas' Refurbishment. Please save your jumble for us but do not bring it before 29 Oct as we have no storage available.

Mothers' Union would like to say a very big thank you to all who helped at their coffee morning last Saturday. We have raised about £250. This will go to the "Away from it All" caravan holidays which means it will help next year to send all those in need of a break.
THANK YOU.

Parish Remembrance Diary

A list is in both Churches until 24 October.
Please indicate in the correct place if you wish to have your loved one remembered in the Intercessions during the week of their anniversary and on the preceding Sunday.

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