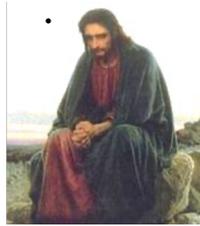




**6 March  
2022**

**Lent I**



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

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

08:00 Said Eucharist (BCP)      St Nicholas'  
Celebrant & Preacher      Fr Michael Boag

10:00 Sung Eucharist      St Barnabas'  
Celebrant & Preacher      Revd Gordon Parry

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



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0300 111 8150

There is always a subtle tension in Lent between individual and corporate, internal reflection and outward expression. While the disciplines of Lent are individual, the question should not be: will I be a better person, a holier person, by Easter but will we be a better, holier, community?

'The fasting man should realise what fasting is. If anyone wants God to perceive that he is hungry, he should himself take notice of the hungry. If he desires fatherly kindness, he should display it first.' So said Peter Chrysologus, 5<sup>th</sup>c. Bishop of Ravenna.

The outward form can only display what is going on inside. The 19<sup>th</sup>c. Scottish writer and preacher George MacDonald said: 'Imagine yourself as a living house. God comes in to rebuild that house. At first, perhaps, you can understand what he is doing. He is getting the drains right and stopping the leaks in the roof and so on: you knew that those jobs needed doing so you are not surprised. But presently he starts knocking the house about in a way that hurts abominably and does not seem to make sense. What on earth is he up to? The explanation is that he is building quite a different house from the one you thought of - throwing out a new wing here, putting on an extra floor there, running up towers, making courtyards. You thought you were going to be made into a decent little cottage: but he is building a palace. He intends to come and live in it himself.'

Have a happy and rewarding Lent!

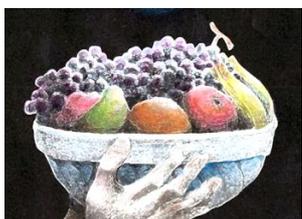
*Fr Michael*

## Collect

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## Reading Deuteronomy 26.1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and



you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name.

You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the

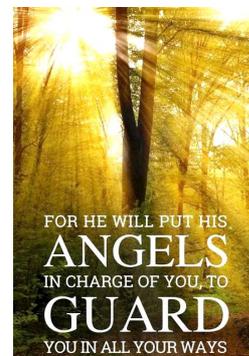
Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

## Psalm Psalm 91.1-2,9-11

You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.'

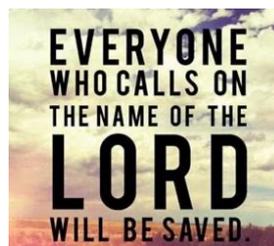
Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your dwelling-place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.



## Reading Romans 10.8b-13

'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between



Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

## Gospel Luke 4.1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."'



Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' "

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

### Post Communion

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Tues 8 Mar	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Barnabas'
Thur 10 Mar	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Nicholas'
Sun 13 Mar	8:00 Eucharist (BCP) 10:00 Sung Eucharist 10:00 Sung Eucharist	St Nicholas' St Barnabas' St Nicholas'
<p align="center"><b>Sunday 13 March 2022</b> <b>Lent 2</b></p> <p align="center">Genesis 15.1-12,17-18   Psalm 27 Philippians 3.17-4.1   Luke 13.31-35</p>		

Festivals this week	
Mon 7 Mar	Perpetua, Felicity and their Companions, Martyrs at Carthage 203 (LF)
Tues 8 Mar	Edward King, Bishop of Lincoln 1910 (LF) Felix, Bishop, Apostle to the East Angles 647 (C) Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy, Priest, Poet 1929 (C)
(F) Festival; (LF) Lesser Festival; (C) Commemoration	

## DIARY NOTES & NOTICES

### Covid Precautions in Church

Masks are no longer mandatory in church. Mask wearing, hand sanitising and social distancing are now a matter of individual decision. Stay safe!

### Lent Course

The Lent Course will be held in St Barnabas' Café **14:30-16:00** on Saturdays:  
**5, 12, 19, 26 March and 2 April.**

### St Nicholas' Julian Group

will meet for half an hour of silent prayer on **Wed 9 Mar** at **12:30**. Please feel free to join us – everyone welcome!

### St Barnabas' Julian Group

will meet on **Mon 14 Mar** at **14:00** at St Barnabas'. All welcome.

### Messy Church

Please join us for the story, crafts, songs and prayers, followed by a light tea. The March Messy Church will be on:



**Sat 12 Mar 15:30-17:00** (in the Hall) and **Wed 16 Mar 15:15-16:45** (in the Church) both at St Barnabas'. Everyone welcome - mums, dads, grandparents, carers - come and enjoy!

### Pastoral Centre Café

The Café is open for Coffee and Cake on **Wed and Sat** from 10:00.

**Scrabble and Cake** on 23 Feb raised £33 for St Barnabas' Refurbishment Fund. The next session is on **23 Mar 14:30-16:30** in St Barnabas' Café. Why not join us for games, tea, cake and friendship and help boost our funds?

The Jumble Sale on 26 Feb raised £357.32 for St Barnabas' Refurbishment Fund. Thanks to all our supporters.

The next **Saturday Market** is on **26 Mar 10:00-11:30** in St Barnabas Café. New/as new items for sale welcomed.

### 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.

### Friday Lunches

Lunch in the Pastoral Centre at 12:30 on **11 Mar**. 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 **9 Mar**. All welcome.

### The Hangout

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

### Churchyard Team

With the advent of Spring and the retirement of Ian Pallett, who has given the Churchyard team many years of dedicated service, we are looking for new volunteers to join and take this important work forward. Many hands will make for lighter work and better fellowship opportunities!

If you are interested and have any time to offer please contact Rose Wells or Colin Smith.

### Trip to Walsingham

A trip is provisionally planned to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham **20-22 Sept**.

Please inform Liz Gallagher if you are interested.



### Calling all Jigsaw Puzzlers

We are hoping to organize a Jigsaw Puzzle Festival in August, and we need some help. Please consider completing a puzzle and donating it to the festival. The puzzle needs to be made up on a sheet of cardboard (which can be provided if you need it) 3mm thick. The dimensions are 76 cm x 60 cm for a 1000-piece puzzle.

We also need jigsaws (with all the pieces) and volunteers to count jigsaws already donated. Contact Jane Stanford on 01293 543065.

### Magazine Deadline

The copy deadline for the next Mag is **13 Mar**.

### St Nicholas' Circle Wed 9 Mar 20:00

The plan for March is to have a 'Gogglebox' type discussion on a TV programme to be aired this weekend. If you are planning on joining us next Wednesday please email me the Office; we will let you know what the programme will be. If you have any friends who would like to join us, please let me have their email addresses. Sue

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