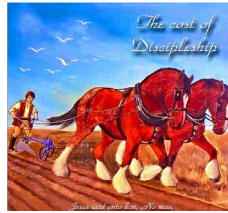




**26 June
2022**

Trinity 2



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 Revd Gordon Parry

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

10:00 Sung Eucharist
& Burial of Ashes St Nicholas'
Celebrant Revd Greta
Preacher Revd Gordon Parry

11:45 Baptism St Nicholas'

14:00 Baptism St Nicholas'

15:00 Baptism St Nicholas'

Holy Communion is now offered in both kinds,
in both our churches. At the distribution of
Communion, communicants are invited to come
forward, first to receive the consecrated bread
from the priest and then to drink consecrated
wine from the chalice, or not; it is entirely a
matter of personal choice.

(Non-communicants are welcome to come
forward for a blessing.) Fr Michael

Have you ever had a project or goal and it
seems that things do not go smoothly no
matter how well you plan in advance?

Jesus had his eyes fixed on making his way
to Jerusalem where he knew he would
suffer. What courage and determination he
had to face the certainty of pain and death?
How disappointing it must have seemed to
Jesus when he was rejected by the
Samaritan village.

When we are sure of a certain course to
take, we can be challenged by people who
seem to throw us off balance by their
attitude or grievances which are minor in
the grand scheme of things. It is tempting to
react like the 'sons of thunder' and want to
lash out at people who have no idea of the
full story yet who seem to thwart us at
every twist and turn.

The 'whole story' is what we don't know, in
relation to the comment Jesus made to the
man about burying his father. At face value it
seems so harsh. It could be that this was a
figure of speech, a person choosing to fulfil
family obligations until his father had died.
Whatever the true circumstances, when
troubled by scripture, I ask myself about the
character of Jesus?

Jesus is fair and merciful as he responds to
James and John (and countless others)
therefore I conclude he must also have been
the same with this 'would be' follower.

Jesus knows our hearts and minds, he gives
us strength to focus and remain determined
to follow the path of light, even when we
are tired and dejected, even rejected by
people who don't understand.

Have courage, stay focused on the goal you
have in your hearts, treat people fairly, even
when they seem to throw you off course.

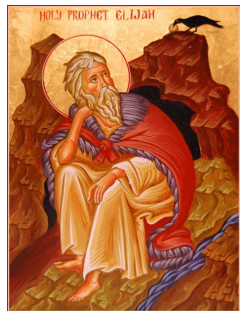
Amen

Revd Sarah

Collect

Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Reading 1 Kings 19.15-16, 19-21



Then the Lord said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall

anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was ploughing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, 'Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.' Then Elijah said to him, 'Go back again; for what have I done to you?' He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

Psalm Psalm 16

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the Lord, 'You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.'

As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight. Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink-offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.

I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.

You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Reading Galatians 5.1, 13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.



Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the

Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

Gospel Luke 9.51-62

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'



Post Communion

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Parish Prayer Group

will meet at 19:00 at St Barnabas' on **Wed 29 June**. Please join us as we pray for our Parish, its clergy and its outreach. (Next month we will meet at 14:30 at St Nicholas' on Thurs 28 July)

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Tues 28 June	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Barnabas'
Thur 30 June	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Nicholas'
Sun 3 July	8:00 Eucharist (BCP) 10:00 Said Eucharist 10:00 Sung Eucharist	St Nicholas' St Barnabas' St Nicholas'

Sunday 3 July 2022 Thomas the Apostle

Habakkuk 2.1-4 Psalm 31.1-6
Ephesians 2.19-22 John 20.24-29

Festivals this week

Mon 27 June	Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria, Teacher 444 (C)
Tues 28 June	Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons, Teacher c.200 (LF)
Wed 29 June	Peter and Paul, Apostles (F)
Fri 1 July	Henry, John and Henry Venn the Younger, Priests, Evangelical Divines 1797, 1813 and 1873 (C)

(F) Festival; (LF) Lesser Festival; (C) Commemoration

DIARY NOTES & NOTICES

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.

Scrabble and Cake

The next session of 'Scrabble and Cake' takes place on **Wed 29 June** at St Barnabas' Café, 14:30-16:30. Come and enjoy Scrabble or other games – inc. dominoes and jigsaws; tea and cake and company. £3.50. In aid of St Barnabas' Refurbishment Fund. All welcome.

Friday Lunches

Lunch in the Pastoral Centre at 12:30 on **1 July**. Two courses and a drink £7.00. To help with catering please book your place at the Pastoral Centre (café open Wed and Sat) or via the Parish Office, by Wed **29 June**. All welcome.

The Hangout

Youth Club at St Barnabas' on **Fri 1 July 19:00-20:30** Ages 12-16. Entry free. Weekly during term time.

St Nicholas' Circle

Meets on **Wed 6 July** 19:30 for 20:00 at St Barnabas' Café for a Wine and Cheese evening.

Churchyard Team

Summer is here and the grass needs attention in our beautiful churchyard. If you can volunteer a little of your time please contact your Churchwardens and all information will be provided, including the equipment. Please contact Rose Wells or Colin Smith.



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