



**25 September
2022**

Trinity 15



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
Eucharist St Barnabas'
Celebrant & Preacher Revd Sarah Upchurch

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

11:45 Baptism St Nicholas'

14:00 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

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the
Church.

This parable, and it is *only* a parable,
means once again that I find myself in
disagreement with my favourite
theologian and I expect with quite a few
of my Christian brothers and sisters.
This is because I believe that the
reference to the chasm that Abraham
made, does not mean literally that there
is no possibility of repentance after
death. Maybe that was the case before
Jesus, but surely not now after his
redeeming work!!

Do not let your hearts be troubled
about this. Trust in Jesus Christ who is
merciful.

Instead, how about concentrating on the
profound truth shouting at us from
within the story; not to think for any
reason that we are better than another
and respond to the simple fact that our
possessions, our riches, our talents, are
best used to help others, to really enjoy
life and support each other.

We are approaching a time when all our
finances will be stretched, for some this
will be critical. Let us not be selfish, let
us review our giving, so that our church
and the charities that we support are
strengthened and sustained.

Listen to the Apostle Paul as he says to
Timothy; 'Do good, be rich in good
works, generous and ready to share,
store up for yourself the treasure of a
good foundation for the future, so that
you may take hold of the life that really is
life!'

Lift your faces and your hearts to God.

Amen

Revd Sarah

Collect

Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Reading Amos 6.1a,4-7

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion. Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and

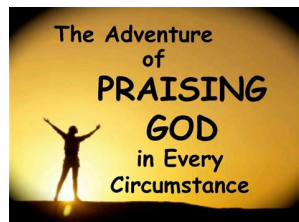


lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to

the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Psalm Psalm 146

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.



Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith for ever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous. The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

The Lord will reign for ever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!

Reading 1 Timothy 6.6-19



Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment;

for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

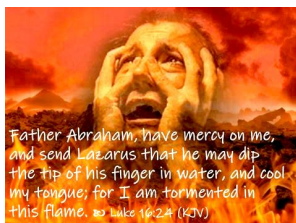
But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time - he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Gospel Luke 16.19-31

'There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted

sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side.



He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in

agony in these flames." But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house - for I have five brothers - that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

Post Communion

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Tues 27 Sept	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Barnabas'
Thur 29 Sept	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Nicholas'
Sun 2 Oct	8:00 Eucharist (BCP) 10:00 Harvest Eucharist 10:00 Harvest Eucharist 14:00 Baptism	St Nicholas' St Barnabas' St Nicholas' St Nicholas'

Sunday 2 October 2022 Harvest Thanksgiving

Deuteronomy 26.1-11 Psalm 100
Philippians 4.4-9 John 6.25-35

Festivals this week

Mon 26 Sept	Wilson Carlile, Founder of the Church Army 1942 (C)
Tues 27 Sept	Vincent de Paul, Founder of the Congregation of the Mission (Lazarists) 1660 (LF)
Thur 29 Sept	Michael and All Angels (F)
Fri 30 Sept	Jerome, Translator of the Scriptures, Teacher 420 (C)
Sat 1 Oct	Remigius, Bishop of Rheims, Apostle of the Franks 533 (C) Anthony Ashley Cooper, Earl of Shaftesbury, Social Reformer 1885 (C)

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

DIARY NOTES & NOTICES

Toddlers Group meets on **Tues 13:00-15:00** and **Thurs 9:00-11:00** during term time in St Barnabas' Hall.

A Parish Remembrance List is at the back of both churches from today until 23 Oct for you to indicate if you would like a loved one remembered on the anniversary of their death during 2023. Please **tick** in the column provided for the actual month; thank you.

Parish Prayer Group

will meet at 14:30 at St Nicholas' on **Thurs 29 Sept**. Please join us as we pray for our Parish, its clergy and its outreach. (Next month we will meet at 19:00 at St Barnabas' on Wed 26 Oct)

Friday Lunches

Friday lunch on **30 Sept** in the Pastoral Centre at 12:30. 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 **28 Sept**. All welcome.

The Hangout

Youth Club at St Barnabas' on

Fri 30 September 19:00-20:30

Ages 12-16. Entry free. Weekly during term

The Saturday Market on 17 Sept raised £182.58 for St Barnabas' Refurbishment Fund. Thanks to our supporters.

The next Market takes place on **8 Oct**.

Harvest Festival

On **Sun 2 Oct**, Harvest Thanksgiving services will be held in both churches (at **10:00**) with donations received. The most useful items are tins or packets of the following: coffee, sugar, UHT milk, meat and fish, vegetables, fruit, beans, bottles of squash, soup, cereals, rice, cooking sauces, desserts, tea/coffee and biscuits but all donations are welcome. Donations will go to Crawley Open House & the Easter Team.

From **16:00 to 19:00** we are having a Harvest Supper and Line Dancing in St Barnabas'. Please add your name to the list at the back of church if you would like to come, to help us with numbers for catering.

Recycling

We continue to recycle **milk bottle tops**. Containers are now available in the Narthex and on Sue's doorstep. Please deliver **by the end of September**.

We also collect used postage **stamps** (for the Hospice) and used **printer cartridges** (for McIndoe); please deliver to the Narthex. Thank you!

100 Club September Draw

£100 Helen Puttick (35)

£50 Roger and Phyl Pennell (49)

£25 Don Hewerdine (45) £25 Sheila Dring (14)

Open House Staff

We are running an informal recruiting 'open day' where people can pop in and have a look around, and chat to staff about the current opportunities with absolutely no commitment. The next session is on **4 Oct**. Thank you!

Gift Aid Declarations

We are always so grateful as a parish to receive donations towards our work, outreach and towards the upkeep of our buildings. If you are a registered UK tax payer, we can claim gift aid on donations, which adds value at no cost to you. From **the end of September**, we will not be able to claim Gift Aid on donations without an updated declaration form. So that we can continue claiming Gift Aid, please click and download the form at worthparish.org/giftaid and

- Hand it to one of the Churchwardens; or to David Rice at church (St Nicholas')

This will allow us to ensure that all declarations we have are up to date and accurate. We will need to repeat this every few years as part of due diligence as a parish. Thank you!

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