

6 August 2023

Transfiguration of our Lord



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)

08:15 Said Eucharist (BCP) St Nicholas' Celebrant & Preacher Revd Gordon Parry

10:00 Sung EucharistCelebrant & PreacherRevd Sarah Upchurch

10:00 Sung EucharistCelebrant& PreacherSt Nicholas'Fr Michael Boag

12:00 Baptism St Nicholas'

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Payments to the Parish

If you possibly can, please transfer the money by electronic payment to: Worth PCC, sort code 40-18-22, account 61223372. If you need help, call the Office. Today's Feast of the Transfiguration, when Jesus' 'divine nature is revealed to Peter, John and James on the mountain top, has been described by eminent German theologian, Karl Rahner as: 'Union with God, which lesus otherwise holds hidden in the ultimate depths of his soul, now fills up all the chambers of his soul, it embraces his body, drawing it, too, into the blessedness of God's light and God's unity. "His face was like the sun, and his clothes were as radiant as light."... And just as at the baptism, the voice of the Father confirms here, too, that this poor, praying lesus, consecrated for suffering, and heroically prepared for the cross, is God's very beloved Son. This then is the meaning of the Transfiguration for Jesus himself: in the dark night of earthly hopelessness the light of God shines, a human heart finds in God the power in which turns a dying into a victory and into the redemption of the world.'

In the Second Letter of Peter, we find an eye witness account of the disciples seeing the glory of Jesus revealed. They hear the voice of the Father and see the Son transfigured, so the writer encourages us too: 'You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.'

May the light of Christ fill us with joy, ease our sorrows and give us peace.

Fr Michael

Collect

Father in heaven, whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain, and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem: give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross that in the world to come we may see him as he is; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Reading Daniel 7.9-10,13-14

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head



like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A

thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened.

As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

Reading 2 Peter 1.16-19

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the

Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is



my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

Gospel Luke 9.28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men,

Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his



companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah' - not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Post Communion

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Tues 8 Aug	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Barnabas'
Thur 10 Aug	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Nicholas'
Sun 13 Aug	8:15 Eucharist (BCP) 10:00 Sung Eucharist 10:00 Sung Eucharist 11:45 Baptism 12:30 Baptism 18:30 Prayer & Praise	St Nicholas' St Barnabas' St Nicholas' St Nicholas' St Barnabas' St Barnabas'

Sunday 13 August 2023 Trinity 10

I Kings 19.9-18 Romans 10.5-15 Matthew 14.22-33

Festivals this week		
Mon 7 Aug	John Mason Neale, Priest, Hymn Writer 1866 (C)	
Tues 8 Aug	Dominic, Priest, Founder of the Order of Preachers 1221 (LF)	
Wed 9 Aug	Mary Sumner, Founder of the Mothers' Union 1921 (LF)	
Thur 10 Aug	Laurence, Deacon at Rome, Martyr 258 (LF)	
Fri 11 Aug	Clare of Assisi, Founder of the Minoresses (Poor Clares) 1253 (LF) John Henry Newman, Priest, Tractarian 1890 (C)	

DIARY NOTES & NOTICES

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

Toddlers Group

now taking the Summer break

The Hangout

Youth Club at St Barnabas' now taking the Summer break

Sunday School at St Barnabas' is on holiday for the Summer, we return on 3 September.

Worth Festival Choir Vivaldi Gloria in September

Rehearsals for the Festival Choir's performance of the Vivaldi Gloria continue **this Sunday, at 16:00** in St. Nicholas'.

Mothers' Union

Thur 10 Aug 10:30 – the service at St Nicholas' will include a celebration of Mary Sumner, their Founder, followed by refreshments. Everyone welcome.

Friday Lunches

Friday lunch on II Aug in The Café at 12:30. Two courses and a drink £7.00. To help with catering please book your place at the Café (café open Wed and Sat) or via the Parish Office, by Wed 9 Aug. The lunches are not exclusively for the elderly, why not bring a friend and give us a try. All welcome.

St Nicholas' Julian Group

The St Nicholas' Julian Group will meet for half an hour of silent prayer on **Wed 9 Aug** at **12:30.** Please feel free to join us - everyone welcome!

St Barnabas' Julian Group

Will meet next on **Mon 14 Aug 14:00** in the Church. Old and new friends very welcome.

Youth Courses

Youth Alpha on Fridays **18:00** at St Barnabas' Café. Contact Revd Sarah with any questions.

Jumble Sale

There will be a Jumble Sale in St Barnabas' Hall on **Sat 9 Sept, 10:00-11:30** in aid of St Barnabas' Refurbishment Fund. We welcome jumble but not before 8 Sept as we have nowhere to store it. If you are able to help at the Jumble Sale please sign the list displayed in the Narthex at St Barnabas'. Thank you.

Sunday Evening Service of Prayer & Praise Sunday 13th August at 18:30

at St Barnabas', Pound Hill (in the Church).

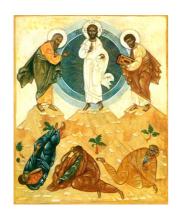
Christians of all denominations are welcome to an informal ecumenical service of Prayer and Praise which is in a series of regular monthly 18:30 Sunday evening services to be held at St Barnabas' usually on the second Sunday of every month.

The Ecumenical Worship Group will be creating a peaceful worshipful atmosphere with music and song and plenty of time for all to reflect together prayerfully.

If you would like to join in the music group by playing an instrument or singing please email John Palmer on <u>music.stb@worthparish.org</u> for more information.

Crawley Open House: Harvest Appeal

Around 75% of everything we give to others was once given to us – we simply couldn't do what we do without the kindness and generosity of the community around us. The most useful items are tins or packets of the following: sugar, UHT milk, meat and fish, vegetables, fruit, beans, bottles of squash, soup, cereals, rice, cooking sauces, desserts, tea/coffee and biscuits but, of course, all donations are welcome



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