



13 July 2025

Trinity 4



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 Sarah Upchurch

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If you possibly can, please transfer the money by electronic payment to: Parish of Worth Poundhill & Maidenbower, sort code 40-18-22, account 61223372.

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Go and do likewise.

The Parable of the Good Samaritan is one of the most well-known parables of Jesus. The central message of this parable is that we should show compassion to everyone, including those that we might think are different from us.

Part of the appeal of this parable is that it is easily understood and remembered by young and old alike. It is also a story that can be put into a modern-day context.

Jesus spoke in parables because he knew that his listeners would remember both the story and its meaning. It certainly was an effective teaching method because here we are two thousand years later and the story is very familiar to us. Even those outside of Christianity will know the phrase 'The Good Samaritan'.

Most people have also heard of the registered charity known as Samaritans. It is a charity aimed at providing emotional support to anyone in distress. The name of the charity derives from the Parable of the Good Samaritan and was founded in 1953 by the Reverend Chad Varah, a Church of England vicar. His inspiration for founding the charity came from when he had been a curate in Lincolnshire. He had taken the funeral of a fourteen-year-old girl who had committed suicide. Reverend Chad Varah felt sorry that the girl had become so distressed that she saw her only answer was suicide. If only she could have talked to someone, perhaps her life could have been saved.

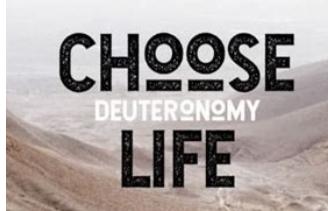
Jesus ended his teaching by saying 'Go and do likewise.' That instruction is for us too. Or as it says in 1 Corinthians 16:14
'Let all that you do be done in love.'

Canon Penny

Collect

Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Reading Deuteronomy 30.9-14



And the Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the

fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

Reading Colossians 1.1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come

to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from

the power
of darkness
and
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FOR HE HAS RESCUED US FROM THE
DOMINION OF DARKNESS AND
BROUGHT US INTO THE KINGDOM OF
THE SON HE LOVES.

us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Gospel Luke 10.25-37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So

likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them.



Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn,

and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

Post Communion

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Festivals this week	
Mon 14 Jul	John Keble, Priest, Tractarian, Poet 1866 (LF)
Tues 15 Jul	Swithun, Bishop of Winchester c.862 (LF) Bonaventure, Friar, Bishop, Teacher 1274 (C)
Wed 16 Jul	Osmund, Bishop of Salisbury 1099 (C)
Fri 18 Jul	Elizabeth Ferard, first Deaconess of the Church of England, Founder of the Community of St Andrew 1883 (C)
Sat 19 Jul	Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, and his sister Macrina, Deaconess, Teachers c.394 and c.379 (LF)

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

Sunday Space

You are invited to rest and meditate at Sunday Space **TODAY 18:30-19:30** at St Barnabas'. Relaxing music, readings and candlelight.

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

Friday Lunches

Friday lunch on **18 July** 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 16 July**. Profits for Parish funds. The lunches are for everyone, why not bring a friend and give us a try. All welcome!

The Hangout

Youth Club at St Barnabas' meets
Every Friday at 19:00
For Year Groups 7-11. Entry free.
Weekly during term time.
Now on holiday

SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Tues 15 Jul	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Barnabas'
Wed 16 Jul	15:00 Messy Church	St Barnabas'
Thur 17 Jul	10:30 Healing Eucharist	St Nicholas'
Sun 20 Jul	8:15 Eucharist (BCP) 10:0 Sung Eucharist 10:00 Sung Eucharist	St Nicholas' St Barnabas' St Nicholas'
Sunday 20 July 2025 Trinity 5 Genesis 18.1-10a Colossians 1.15-28 Luke 10.38-42		

Come and see, a song and a prayer, followed by pizza and lollies.

In July the second Messy Church will be on **Wed 16 Jul**; 15:00-16:30, at St Barnabas'.

This month: Joseph and his Coat of Many Colours

Everyone welcome - mums, dads, grandparents, carers - come and have fun!



Mothers' Union

Wed 23 July MU Afternoon Cream Tea, with a **raffle**, 15:00-16:30 at St Barnabas' Café. Tickets, £15 each, will be on sale until **TODAY** to everyone, you do not have to be a Member, all profit will be donated to AFIA (Away From It All holidays). We look forward to seeing you again this year.

Parish Prayer Group

Wed 30 July 19:00 at St Barnabas'. Please join us at St Barnabas' as we pray for our Parish, its clergy and its outreach.

Anglo-Saxon Voices

As part of our Festival this year there will be readings of Anglo-Saxon poetry and prose (in modern English translation) on **Sat 16 Aug at 15:00** in St Nicholas', followed by refreshments including apple honey mead. All welcome!

Entwined in Harmony, Eleven centuries of music and flowers at St Nicholas', Worth: August 23 - 25 2025

As we are preparing for the wonderful music and flower festival celebrating the 1,050th anniversary of St Nicholas' and raising funds across the weekend for The Organ Restoration Fund and St Catherine's Hospice, do you know anyone who would like to sponsor an arrangement as an individual, as part of a group or from a local business or company? We will include names of supporters in the festival brochure (if you would like). It would be a wonderful way to celebrate or commemorate someone or something very special. Do get in touch if you would like to discuss the options further. **Adela Hawley** 07947424860 adelahawley@gmail.com or **Mark Harrison** musicdirector@worthparish.org

Festival Choir rehearsals - every Sunday, at 16:00, at St. Nicholas', lasting just over an hour. All welcome, as we start getting ready for the Festival at the end of August. No fee, no audition, no need to bring your own music - just turn up and sing. Rehearsals will be every Sunday until the day of the concert.

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 JULY**.

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

Our recent collection of printer cartridges raised £14.45 for McIndoe.

Thank you!

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