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**Sunday 18 October
2026**

Luke the Evangelist

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)
Celebrant & Preacher

St Nicholas'
Father Michael Boag

10:00 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher

St Barnabas'
Rev'd Sarah Upchurch

10:00 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher

St Nicholas'
Father Michael Boag

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donate to Worth Parish. Scan
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take you straight to a giving
page.



Payments to the Parish

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

Pew Sheet Notices

Please can all Pew Sheet notices be sent to my
personal email address:
Denysmith@hotmail.co.uk

Jesus doesn't send his followers out alone. He sends seventy-two, in pairs, ahead of him to every place he intends to visit. They aren't the main event. They are the advance party, preparing the way for someone else. His packing list is striking. No purse, no bag, no spare sandals. Anyone who has watched a family load the car for a week's holiday will feel a pang of envy. Do not get lost in small talk, and eat whatever is put in front of you. There's no strategy and no equipment, only peace, presence, and a simple message, God's kingdom has come near. It's an honest commission. The harvest is plentiful, the workers are few, and Jesus warns they will be like lambs among wolves. He doesn't pretend it's easy.

On St Luke's Day we remember a physician and storyteller who travelled alongside others, shared their tables, and told the good news well. Who is God sending you alongside this week, and whose door might you knock on, offering peace?

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Collect

Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Reading Isaiah 35. 3-6

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is



your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes

of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;

Reading 2 Timothy 4. 5-15

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. As for me, I am already being



poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have

finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown

of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message.

Gospel Luke 10. 1-9



After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and

place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."

Post Communion

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

NOTICES

A Remembrance List

will be at the back of both churches from today until **October 25**. Please tick the column that indicates when you would like to have your loved one remembered, on **November 1** at the at the All Souls Requiem in St Nicholas' at 1600 and /or during 2027. Thank you.

Shelley Copthorne Educational Foundation Registered Charity No. 306408

Small grants towards the expenses of college or university courses are available to students, under the age of 25 years, who are resident in or near the civil and ecclesiastical parishes of Worth.

Applications for grants should only be made for courses where a confirmed offer of a place has been accepted. Application should be by email, giving brief details of yourself, which must include your date of birth, your home postal address and the course you will be undertaking, and sent to the Secretary at shelleycopthorne@gmail.com **Applications by 1st November for consideration in the current year**

The Circle

Will be on **Wednesday 21 October**, where Graham Feest will be discussing making roads safer. Doors open at **19:00** for a **19:30** start at St Barnabas.

Scrabble and Cake

Wednesday 28 October, 14.00-16.00, in St Barnabas' Cafe, £4, in aid of St Barnabas' Refurbishment Fund. All welcome. Just turn up

Chosen Course

Today at St Barnabas' **12:00-13:00**, join us for our second session of "From Screen to Scripture", a study inspired by the popular show "The Chosen".

St Nicholas' Julian Group

meets on **Wednesday 21 October** at **12:00** for half an hour of silent prayer. Please feel free to join us - everyone welcome

Save the Date - 17th November 2026

2026 has seen an amazing number of Significant Birthdays amongst our Senior Congregation. We would like to celebrate them all collectively at the **Parish Big Birthday Bash Tuesday 17th November 2026 14:00-16:00** St Barnabas' Cafe. Our Special Guest Stars will have had a 'Big O' birthday this year. Everyone is Welcome **RSVP** Rose Wells rosetw@btinternet.com

Friday Lunches

The next lunch will be on **20 November**. Please book your place with the Office or the Café by **Wednesday 18 November**. We are still in need of some more cooks, so do let us know if you can help out (help and advice given)

Mag Copy date – Final deadline TODAY.

Parish Prayer Group

Meets on **Wednesday 28 October** at 19:00 at St Barnabas'. Please join us to pray for our parish, our clergy, our outreach and our congregations.

Parish Co-ordinator

The PCC seeks to employ a part-time parish co-ordinator, from January 2027, who will: act as first point of contact for enquiries, including weddings, baptisms, funerals and burials. attend to registers, certificates and applications. contribute to and have oversight of the digital calendars.

The post will initially be for 7 hours per week. Applications (and for more information) to be emailed Fr Michael (rector@worthparish.org) by Sunday 1 November 2026.

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Tues 20 October	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Barnabas'
Thur 22 October	10:30 Said Eucharist	St Nicholas'
Sun 25 October	8:15 Eucharist (BCP)	St Nicholas'
	10:00 Sung Eucharist	St Nicholas'
	10:00 Sung Eucharist	St Barnabas'
	12:00 Baptism	St Nicholas'
Sunday 25 October 2026 Bible Sunday Nehemiah 8. 1-12 Colossians 3.12-17 Matthew 24.30-35		

The Hangout Youth Club

at St Barnabas' meets Every Friday at 19:00 during term time.

Toddlers Group

meets on Tues 13:00-15:00 and Thurs 9:00-11:00, in St Barnabas' Hall in term time

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GENERAL ENQUIRIES



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