

SUNDAY 19 OCTOBER, TRINITY 18

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

We welcome Canon James Shakespeare, Rural Dean, Cambridge South Deanery, who will be leading our service.

10am Experience & Explore

Our Local Team will be leading our service.

COLLECT

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

READINGS (in pew bibles)

NT 2 Timothy 3.14-4.5 (p228-229)
(8.30am Service Only)

GOSPEL Luke 18. 1-8 (p.86-87)

NEXT WEEK:

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

10am Holy Communion with Junior Church

We welcome The Revd Paul Brice, who will be leading our services.

CONTACTS

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The church is now in Vacancy, please refer any queries to the Churchwardens and, during office hours, to Emma.

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CHURCH OFFICE – OPENING TIMES

9am-1pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
Emma's email address is: admin@trumpington.church

If you want to put a note in the pewsheets, please contact Emma in the office, no later than 9am Wednesday if the note is intended for the forthcoming Sunday. Thank you.

NOTICES

Please see the North Chapel notice board for What's On.

CHURCHYARD WORKING DAY

Thank you to all those who attended yesterday's working party.

BIBLE STUDY

Please contact one of the Churchwardens if you would like to join a group (Tuesday evening online or alternate Wednesday evenings in person) and they will put you in touch with the group leader.

GIVING

If you would like to make a donation in support of the life and ministry of our church, you can:

- Leave a cash donation in the plate provided
- Make a contactless donation using the GoodBox
- Use a yellow envelope. If you pay tax we can claim the Gift Aid, but only if you fill out your details.
- Please speak to Edmund about making a regular electronic gift and the best way to do this.
Everything helps – thank you!

BOOK GROUP

The Book Group is reading ***The Monk*** by Tim Sullivan, to discuss at the next meeting on Thursday 13 November.

Nothing is known about Brother Dominic's past, which makes investigating difficult. How can DS George Cross unpick a crime when he doesn't know anything about the victim? And why would someone want to harm a monk?

Discovering who Brother Dominic once was only makes the picture more puzzling. He was a much-loved and respected friend, brother, son – he had no enemies. Or, at least, none that are obvious. But looking into his past reveals that he was a very wealthy man, that he sacrificed it all for his faith. For a man who has nothing, it seems strange that greed could be the motive for his murder. But greed is a sin after all . . .

All welcome – no invitation needed! For more information please email:

bookgroup@trumpington.church

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL, 13 & 14 DECEMBER

Would you like to be involved this year and join a small team to help organise different elements: crafts, refreshments, possible concerts, and other activity ideas. Please email Sheila Betts: warden@trumpington.church

COMMUNITY NOTICES

FAIRBITE FOOD CLUB, TRUMPINGTON PAVILION

Volunteers are needed at various times on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. If you can help or want to know more please contact Jenny Bright on 07772 538628 or email info@ccfb.org.uk.



God of justice and blessing, give us faith to know that we can come to you with our requests, and wisdom to know what we need, that we may persist in asking for justice on earth, and receive your blessing now and in all eternity. Amen.

How to keep faith in a wobbling world

Part 7 – accept help

by Caroline Hodgson

Even Jesus allowed Simon of Cyrene to help carry his cross. In some ways it's easy to be a helper – but to be helped? For many people it's quite out of the question. Often we struggle on, trying to bear our burdens alone, relying solely on our own resources. Learning to ask for and accept help is a real faith challenge and has numerous benefits. Allowing others to

support us enables God to work through them and strengthens the bonds between us.

So when the world is wobbling, pray for guidance and ask whether you need to ask for help. See it not as a sign of weakness, but as an expression of humility and trust in God's provision, showing our willingness to turn to our community when we need to.

"Bear one another's burdens," says St Paul to the Galatians (6:2) "and in this way you will fulfil the law of Christ." 🌸

Getting what we want

Gillian Cooper *reflects on* Luke 18:1-8

All parents know how children can pester. And they also know the relief of giving in and letting them have whatever they're after for the sake of a bit of peace. The story Jesus tells in our reading from Luke imagines God as an exasperated parent, giving the children what they want. But of course there's more to it than that. The issue here is not biscuits or sweets, but justice. That is what the widow in the story wants, that is what God is being pestered for, and so that is what God is willing to give. But is that all?

Our Old Testament reading tells of Jacob wrestling with God all night, even after he's injured. He doesn't want justice. Justice for him would involve punishment for all his cheating and conniving. He wants, and gets, a blessing and also a new name, Israel – the name that he will pass on to his descendants, God's people.

We may think we want justice, our just deserts, but what we need is a blessing, and the name God gives us, God's children, despite our faults and failings. "When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" Faith to pester God not for what we want, but for what we need? 🌸

Walking with Rosie

by Gillian Cooper

We park by the village hall and walk up the lane and through the woods. The sun shines through leaves turning gold and brown, and the river bubbles alongside us. The peace is broken only by the post van and a horse box – we stand on the verge and wave. Back in the village, I notice a sign: "Somerset Art Weeks" it says, with an arrow pointing to the hall. Rosie is allowed in with me to view the work of local

artists. There are paintings and drawings of local scenes, wood carving and metalwork, and delicate silver jewellery.

I buy some cards to take home, and go next door to the shop/café for coffee and cake. I am conscious of having experienced the beauty of creation in different forms: in nature, in art and craft, and not least in baking, as God generously allows us to share in enhancing the beauty of our world. 🌸

“God is a refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.”

Psalm 46:1