

SHEPHERDS LEES

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, ST JAMES,
ST LAURENCE & ST LEONARDS



Sunday 29th October 2023

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

“But just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts.”

(1Thessalonians 2:4)

SERVICES

Sunday 29th October

St Mary-the-Virgin, Selling

LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.30am Benefice Holy Communion (CW)

Saturday 4th November

Via Zoom

ID: 841-6568-7196

9.00am Morning Prayer

PASSCODE: 028514

Sunday 5th November

St Laurence, Leaveland

St Mary-the-Virgin, Selling

St James, Sheldwich

St Mary-the-Virgin, Selling

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

9.30am Benefice Holy Communion (CW)

11.00am Morning Prayer (BCP)

3.00pm **Afternoon Church**

5.00pm A Service of Remembering –
All Souls

Readings for The Last Sunday after Trinity:

1 Thessalonians 2.1-8, Matthew 22.34–end

Collect for The Last Sunday after Trinity

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

This Week:

Wednesday 4.00pm – Prayer Course –this final session is entitled *spiritual warfare* as we reach the phrase ‘Deliver us from evil’

Advanced Notice:

All Souls:

Our *Service of Remembering for All Souls* will be at 5pm on 5th November in St Mary’s Church in Selling. I invite you to join with us as we will remember our departed loved ones. Please let me have details of those whom you would like us to remember by name on this occasion, either by email or by adding them to the sheet in church.

Remembrance Services:

Saturday 11th November at 10.30am Reflective Remembrance in St James Church, we remember by name, those who gave their lives in the two world wars from Sheldwich, Badlesmere & Leaveland. This will include the laying of wreaths at the war memorial.

Sunday 12th November at 10.15am Benefice Service of Remembrance in St Mary’s Church, we remember by name those who gave their lives in the two world wars. This service will include the laying of wreaths at the war memorial and commitment to seeking peace.

Sunday 12th November at 11.30am Holy Communion (said) Following our Service of Remembrance there will be an opportunity to receive Holy Communion.

Please pray for: Those grieving the loss of loved ones; those away on holiday; the situation in Ukraine and for peace, refugees; the homeless; the housebound or those in isolation; those who are unwell, both at home and in hospital, those who struggle to make ends meet; Selling and Sheldwich School communities; frontline health and care workers; for the challenges of covid here and around the world; Faversham Foodbank; Age UK. All who are suffering around the world.

Daily Hope offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. The 24 hour number is **0800 804 8044**.

Churches Open for Private Prayer:

St Laurence, Leaveland & St Leonard's, Badlesmere will be open throughout the week

St Mary's Church, Selling will be open daily.

St James Church, Sheldwich is open each day.

Sent with prayers and blessings,

Peter

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If you would like **not** to receive this in the future, please let me know.