

# Weekly Pew Sheet for the benefice of Newport and Carisbrooke with Gatcombe



Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2025 - Ninth Sunday after Trinity

*Welcome to our benefice! If you are visiting one of our churches for the first time, please introduce yourself to us!*

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**Collect;** Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**FIRST READING; Hebrews 11:29-12:2**

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death; they were sawn in two; they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

## **GOSPEL READING; Luke 12: 49-56**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke  
**Glory to you, O Lord**

“I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! I have a baptism with which to be baptised, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son  
and son against father,  
mother against daughter  
and daughter against mother,  
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law  
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain,’ and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

This is the Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you O Christ**

**Post communion prayer;** Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **What’s on in our parish?**

**Flower Fund:** Did you know you can donate the flower fund to have an arrangement made in the Minster to celebrate an anniversary or special date? Speak to the church warden for more information.

**The Minster Knitters group:** Will be meeting every Monday, 11am-12.30pm in the Minster Café. All are welcome to come along for a knit/crochet and a natter with Ruth.

**Play café:** Has spaces available for pre-school children at the Minster on Tuesday mornings from 10.30am-noon. Play café will be open during the school holidays, older siblings are welcome.

**Parson's Pantry:** Wednesday mornings, 10-12 noon in Carisbrooke Church Hall. Enjoy a chat over tea, coffee and cake. All welcome.

**Minster Memory Café:** Every Wednesday from 1.30-3pm. Do you or a loved one live with memory problems? Join us at the Minster for our weekly Memory Cafe. Creative activities provided by Independent Arts. The Minster cafe will be open for refreshments. Carers and cared for all welcome, no diagnosis required.

**Carisbrooke Walk:** We are organising another ramble from St. Mary's Church Carisbrooke on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> August at 10 am if anyone would like to join us. If any more information is required please contact [annhawkeriw@gmail.com](mailto:annhawkeriw@gmail.com)

**Save the date Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September - Newport Heritage Day:** Free events and activities in the Minster and across the town.

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September - Rave in the Nave! Silent Disco:** 4.30pm-6.30pm Families, 7pm-9.30pm over 18's. Come and celebrate the joy of music and dancing as part of Heritage Open Days. Activity is free but you need to have a ticket due to limited numbers. Apply at ticketsource - Newport Minster or at the Minster Café.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September (families) and Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September (adults) 2pm-3.30pm Drawn in by the Architecture:** Join Isle of Wight artist and paint maker Trudie Wilson to explore the stunning architecture of Newport Minster through drawing. Activity is free but you need to have a ticket due to limited numbers. Apply at ticketsource - Newport Minster or at the Minster Café.

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September:** Macmillan coffee morning at Newport Minster.

**Quiet Retreat Day - "Ask for the ancient paths":** 11<sup>th</sup> October, 10.30-16.30. Venue: Verbum Dei Retreat Centre, Nunnery Lane, Carisbrooke, PO30 1YR. A light lunch is provided by the community. Please bring a Bible and a notebook. The cost is £20. For more information, and to book a place, contact details are to Patricia Yandell on [patriciam-c@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:patriciam-c@hotmail.co.uk) or mobile 07835948435.

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