



The Parish Church of St Michael & All Angels, Yeovil

'To serve God, to serve one another, to serve our local community'.

**Sunday 31st August 2025,
11th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 17.**



This Sunday, 10am Service, with Rev Shirley Smith..

Collect God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ.



Readings, by Sue Ementon.

1st & 2nd Readings, *Ecclesiasticus 10.12-18 & Hebrews 13.1-8, 15-16.*

Gospel, *Luke 14.1, 7-14.*

Post Communion Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Next Sunday, Sunday 7th September, 12th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 18. 10am Service, with Rev Phil Denison.



Friday the 26th of September, 10.00-12.00 Potter House will be taking part in the world's biggest coffee morning in support of Macmillan Cancer Support and want to extend the invite to our wonderful congregation.

For your prayers,



We celebrate with those whose birthday falls this week, including;

31st Sam Thurston, 4th September Phil James



For those who are ill in body, mind or spirit;

Maisie (& Alan) Perry, Phil (& Barbara) James, June Hayter, Sandra Woodward & Vi Stroud.



On the anniversary of their death, we remember; 1st September Jean Batty (2019), 6th James Tomlinson (1986)
For the recently departed; 29th July, Peter Bartlett, *May they rest in peace and rise in glory.*



For our Parish, God our Father, we raise thanks for the appointment of Rev Sarah Lloyd to this parish.

We pray for her as she prepares to leave her current benefice. Send your Holy Spirit at this time of change for us all, both here at St Michaels and at the Benefice of Shalford with Peasmarch. As we prepare for her arrival, we give thanks for the clergy who have guided and taken such good care of us through this period of uncertainty. As we move forward together fill us with vision, energy, and faithfulness, that we may be true to our calling, to bring new life to our parish. We pray for Sarah, that she may be a wise and gentle shepherd of this community. May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant, brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip Sarah with everything good for doing his will. May he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. (*Hebrews 13:20-21*)

The service of welcome for Rev Sarah Lloyd will take place at 7pm on Thursday 25th September 2025.

We would be very grateful for donations or and help with refreshments (biscuits, cake etc) for after the service, there will be a sign up sheet in the porch, can cakes containing dairy/nuts or allergens please be clearly labelled.



Foodbank, In need of the following items.

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| Bars of Soap | Packets of Cereal Bars | Packets of Noodles | Tinned Mackerel |
| Tinned Curry | Tinned Rice Pudding | Tinned Spaghetti | Washing Powder |

*If you are able to help, please bring your items and pop them in the Lord's Larder basket. **Many thanks.***



Church Cleaning, 8th September at 10am

If you are able to help your talents would be very welcome. For more info see Jacky Turner or June Swaine.

Yeovil & District Christian Aid Group. Future lunches, 19th September 17th October; 21st November; & 19th December.



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Collect

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Readings

Ecclesiasticus 10.12-18

A reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes.

The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities, and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their place. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women.

This is the word of the Lord.

Hebrews 13.1-8, 15-16

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?' Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name.

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

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Gospel Reading

Luke 14.1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place", and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.' He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

Post Communion

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