



Please Pray for

...those who have died, including: **Neil** (wife - Maggie),
John Edwards and **Alec Cornick** (former churchwarden in North Baddesley)
...those who are unwell, including: **Debbie Arthur, Debbie Matthias, Gwyneth Page, Jackie Cunningham, Jeanine Stewart, Mary Dixon, Mavis Eastwood, Michelle, Pam Farquharson, Rae Tugwell, Richard & Sue, and Simon Bell**

At the heart of the Christian gospel is the truth that the almighty, all-powerful God came among us, in the weakness of our human flesh, to show – as today's Collect puts it – his mercy and pity. Through his Son Jesus Christ, he forgives our sins and gives us grace to 'run the way of his commandments' and share in his 'heavenly treasure' – eternal life in Christ

Daily Bible Readings:

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for each Sunday. Try to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passage.

Sunday	Luke 14:1, 7-14	Humility and hospitality
Monday	Luke 14:15-23	God's hospitality to the lowly
Tuesday	Genesis 18:1-8	Abraham shows hospitality
Wednesday	1 Kings 3:1-15	Solomon humbles himself
Thursday	Matthew 20:20-28	A request for seats of honour
Friday	1 Peter 4:7-11	Be hospitable to one another
Saturday	Psalms 10	Warnings against pride and arrogance
Sunday	Luke 14:25-33	The cost of being a disciple

Scripture Verse for the Week: Jesus said: "If you put yourself above others, you will be put down. But if you humble yourself, you will be honoured." – Luke 14:11 (CEV)

Prayer for this Week: Lord Jesus, teach me to be humble like you. Help me to welcome all people in your name. Amen. (Luke 14:7-14)

For Throughout the Day: Lord God, help me to be content with what I have, trusting that you will never let me down. Amen. (Hebrews 13:5)

A Blessing to Share: God be with you today, in all that you do and all that you say. Amen

Readings for 7th September – Trinity 12

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1; Philemon 1:21; Luke 14:25-33

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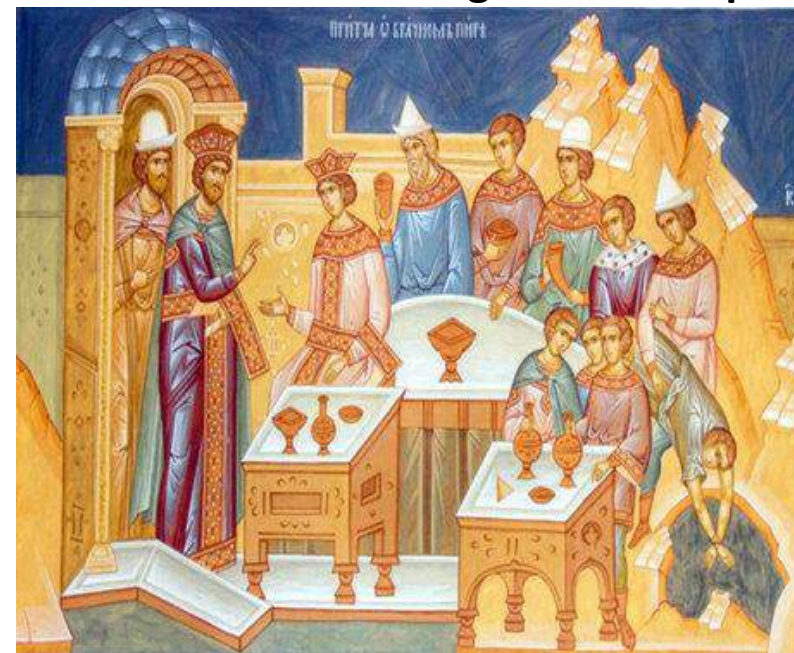
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Thorngate & Blackwater
BENEFICE

News and Notices - 31st August to 7th September



Russian Orthodox Icon

Saturday 30th August - 12-5pm East Tytherley Country Fayre

Sunday 31st August – Trinity 11

10.30am Benefice Eucharist at East Tytherley with Bring and Share Picnic

Sunday 31st August – Trinity 11

Proverbs 25:6-7 Psalm 112	Hebrews 13:1-8,15,16	Luke 14:1,7-14
Always be humble.	Love, hospitality, freedom from sin and greed, contentment with what one has – these are all elements of living a good Christian life, and Christ is constant.	At a meal, Jesus teaches about humility and hospitality. Those who exalt themselves at the table will be humiliated when they are stripped of their status. It's better to choose the lowest place first. Similarly, as the host, it's better to invite those in need, who cannot repay hospitality. Those who do so will be rewarded by God.

Monday to Saturday

9am & 9pm Online Morning & Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

Wednesday 3rd September

9am Eucharist at Lockerley

Saturday 6th September

1030am-Noon Sherfield English Coffee Morning

Sunday 7th September – Trinity 12

8am Communion (BCP) at Lockerley

From 9am Online Service www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches

9.15am Sung Eucharist at Wellow

9.45/10am Breakfast Church at West Tytherley (plus School Bag Blessing!)

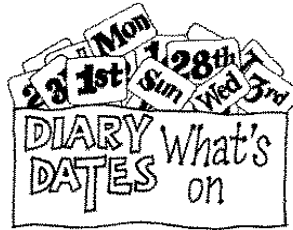
1030am Celebration Service at Lockerley

11am Matins (BCP) at East Dean

11am Communion Service at Sherfield English

4pm Messy Church in Wellow Village Hall

9pm Online Night Prayer www.facebook.com/groups/ThorngateandBlackwaterChurches



	14 th September	21 st September	28 th September	5 th October
East Dean	9am (BCP) Communion	8am (BCP) Communion	6pm (BCP) Evensong	11am (BCP) Matins
East Tytherley	9.30am Short but Sweet	-	-	-
Lockerley	1030am Eucharist	1030am Celebration	1030am Eucharist*	8am (BCP) Communion 1030am Celebration*
Sherfield English	11am Morning Prayer	11am Harvest Family Service	11am Morning Prayer	11am Communion
West Tytherley	8am (BCP) Communion	9am Eucharist	9am (BCP) Matins	9.45/10am Breakfast Church
Wellow	9.15am Sung Eucharist	9.15am Sung Eucharist	8.15am (BCP) Communion 9.15am (BCP) Matins	9.15am Sung Eucharist 4pm Messy Church

Charity of the Month – August



Ethiopiaid support projects in Ethiopia ranging from maternal health and women's rights to education, disability and the elderly. Ethiopia has made huge strides forward since the devastation and despair of the famines during the 1980s. Ethiopiaid continues to drive this progress and development further through trusted partnerships, ensuring that no one is left behind.

More details from: www.ethiopiaid.org.uk

(Collection Baskets in Churches or send donations to Lockerley Vicarage)

Suggestion for Reflection on this week's Gospel Reading

Read: Luke 14:1,7-14

- Light a candle to remember Christ's presence with you.
- Sit five to fifteen minutes in silent meditation paying close attention to deep breaths.
- Remember a time you were invited to a banquet such as this.
- Were you able to receive the gift graciously?
- What is still lingering with you about this experience?
- How did you bless the host?
- Is there an invitation today for you to host a banquet for others?
 - Where will it be?
 - What will you serve?
 - Who will you invite?
 - Where will you sit at the table?
- What is God's message for you?
- Give thanks to God for this time in prayer and for any new insights you have received.

Tuesday 23rd September 7pm - 8.15pm in West Tytherley Church

You are warmly invited to a monthly Book Reflection Group. Some copies of the book, 'Seeing Anew' by Martina Lehané Sheehan, are available from Bob Stevens or James Pitkin, or you can purchase your own on Amazon. Please read the Forward, Introduction, and Chapter 1 before our first meeting. If you are thinking of coming but would like to know more about this book, please contact me on Joanna.Percival@btinternet.com

THE ECCLESIASTICAL DETECTIVE

THE DETECTIVE



THE VICAR

THE SIDEKICK



THE PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

THE NEMESIS



THE ORGANIST

THIS WEEK'S CRIME SCENE



THE CHURCH HALL: SOMEONE HAS BEEN LARKING AROUND WITH THE TODDLER-GROUP TOYS

SUSPECTS



THE YOUNG PEOPLE



THE FLOWER ARRANGERS



THE KEEP FIT GROUP



THE CHURCH CAT

CLUES



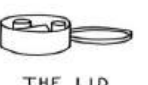
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THE AGENDA FROM A RECENT P.C.C. MEETING



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