

# WORKSOP PRIORY AND ST PAUL'S



# 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sunday 17 August 2025

O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love,

so that, loving you in all things and above all things,

we may attain your promises,
which surpass every human desire.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever



# **Background to the Gospel**

Having reminded the apostles and the crowd that facing the coming judgment takes patience, Jesus now goes on to speak of how difficult it will be to wait. He tells them that he has come to set the earth on fire. Recall that in chapter 3 of Luke's Gospel, John the Baptist tells the crowd that he is baptizing with water, but someone mightier is coming who will baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire. The fire Jesus speaks of here is the distress caused by the coming judgment. It is also the fire of the Spirit that Luke, in the Acts of the Apostles, will describe descending on the disciples on Pentecost. That fire will strengthen them to go out to the whole world to preach the good news of Jesus' Resurrection.

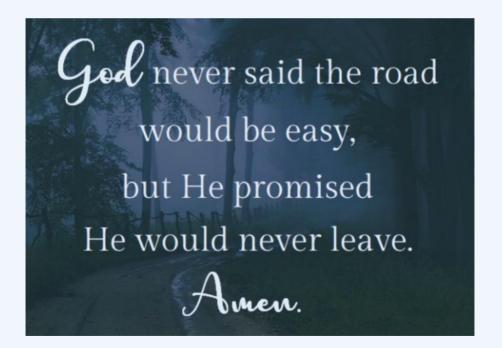
Jesus will be the first to experience the distress of the coming judgment. His baptism will be the conflict into which he will be immersed as he approaches Jerusalem and his death on the cross. His followers will not be spared that distress. The angels at Jesus' birth proclaimed peace on earth, and Simeon, holding the baby Jesus in the Temple, said to God: "Master, now you may let your servant go in peace." Here Jesus tells the crowd not to think he has come to bring peace; he has come to bring division. Simeon said as much when he turned to Mary and said that the child was destined for the rise and fall of many and to be a sign that will be contradicted. Peace is the ultimate end of the Kingdom of God, but peace has a price. Jesus is warning the crowd that wherever the Word of God is heard and acted upon, division occurs. Fathers will be divided against sons and

mothers against daughters.



possessions and to take even more seriously our moral responsibilities. Here he reminds the crowd that those who commit to him will find it affects the way they relate to friends and family members. The angel who announced the birth of John the Baptist to Zechariah said John would go before Jesus to turn the hearts of fathers toward their children. But a commitment to Jesus forces us to change the way we live our lives, and this can put strains on relationships.

We don't expect to hear such difficult words from Jesus in the Gospel. But it is good to be reminded once in a while that the decision to do the right thing, the good thing, is not always easy and without conflict. Jesus himself did not make easy decisions and avoid conflict. In today's reading, he reminds his followers to be prepared for difficult decisions and conflict as well.



# LOYOLAPRESS.

Please pray for . . . .

Those receiving exam results;

Those due to be married in Priory on Saturday;

Aaron Marklew and Jessica Blohm

Robert Brion Garnett to be ordained Deacon here September 7<sup>th</sup>;



For peace especially in the DR Congo, the Holy Land, Lebanon, Ukraine, South Sudan, Sudan, Yemen and Syria; for all who suffer hunger;

our GP surgeries, hospice, hospital, and care homes;

the sick, especially,

Bev, Chris, Christine, Eric, Jan, Jon, Keith, Linda, Lynn, Mick, Paul, Richard, Tuomas, Violet and Wendy

for those who are unable to attend Mass,

Anne, Christine, Hazel, June, and Judith

and for those who have died recently,

Margaret Pridmore and Lillian Hill



for those whose anniversaries fall around this time.

17 Aug	Alexander Latimer	
18 Aug	Frances Varley	
20 Aug	Brenda Elizabeth Mould	
23 Aug	Patricia Howell-Everson	

Services for the week ahead				
Today	9.30am 11.15am 11.30am	Mass at Priory with Junior Church Mass at St Paul's with Junior Church Mass at Clumber		
Monday 18 August Feria	9.30am	Mass at Priory		
Tuesday 19 August Feria	9.30am	Mass at St Paul's		
Wednesday 20 August St Bernard	9.30am	Mass at Priory		
Thursday 21 August St Pius X	6.30pm	Mass at Priory		
Friday 22 August Our Lady, Mother & Queen	12.00pm	Mass at Priory		
Saturday 23 August	9.30am	Mass at Priory		
Feria	12.30pm	Wedding at Priory		
Next Sunday	9.30am	Mass at Priory with Junior Church		
21st Sunday in	11.15am	Mass at St Paul's with Junior Church		
Ordinary Time	11.30am	Mass at Clumber		

# Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment, or before Mass on Thursday Evening or Friday Lunchtime.

Please contact Fr Spicer for either prayer or practical need. If requested, we will come and visit if we can, and especially in extremis. If you go into hospital or a care home please give the staff our contact numbers so that we can visit.

Live streaming through Worksop Priory Facebook Page will take place whenever possible and technology permits.



Other Activities					
Tuesday 19 August	10am	Coffee Morning at St Paul's			
	10am	Public Hour at St Paul's			
	1-2pm	CommuniTea at St Paul's			
	2-3pm	Community Pantry at St Paul's			
Wednesday 20	10.15am	Songs and Stories at Priory			
August	6 -7pm	Community Pantry at St Paul's			
Friday 22 August	10.30am	Public Hour at Priory			

### **Public Hour**

For booking Baptisms and Weddings and any general queries regarding Priory and St Paul's.



## **BAPTISM BOOKINGS AT PRIORY**



Are you, or someone you know, wanting to have either a child or yourself baptised in **Priory Church? Baptism Services** generally take place during the first weekend of each month. Either at 4pm on Saturdays or 11am on Sundays.

Bookings are taken during the public hour in church on Fridays 10.30am to 11.30am when availability can be confirmed by Susan (Parish Administrator). For more information email admin@worksoppriory.co.uk or call 07355 850735.

# The Sacraments of Healing



Please contact Fr Spicer for either prayer or practical need. If requested, we will come and visit, if we can, and especially in extremis. If you go into hospital or a care home please give the staff our contact numbers so that we can visit.

vicar@worksoppriory.co.uk 01909 472180 07748 653640

# **Our Giving**

Bank details for standing orders or donations are:

## **Worksop Priory PCC:**

Virgin Money Sort Code: 05-09-89 Account Number: 38125853

#### St Paul's Church (Manton) Worksop Parochial Church Council:

HSBC Sort Code 40-47-21 Account Number: 20724599

Due to bank charges for processing cheques and cash, we kindly ask that, wherever possible, people donate money using online banking, even for small amounts. This doesn't cost us a penny. Please indicate in the reference field who it's from, and what for, then we can Gift Aid your donation wherever possible.



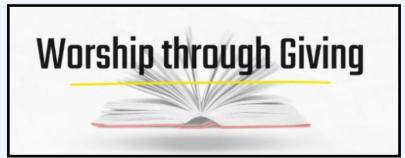
For convenience there are also card machines in the Priory and St Paul's which can be used for donations or regular payments.



You can also donate to Priory quickly and easily by scanning our QR code, where there is an option to register to gift aid your donation, it takes a matter of seconds!

If you wish to continue to put cash in the collection plate each week, gift aid envelopes are only required for amounts over £30.

We are deeply grateful for all your continued financial support.



#### WORKSOP PRIORY BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

If you would like a loved ones' name to be recorded in the Worksop Priory Book of Remembrance, please complete and

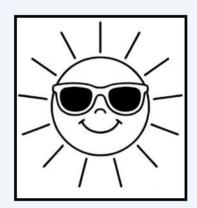
return a form (available at the back of church). There is a £10 fee toward the cost

of the calligraphy.



# PRIORY TRIP TO GRIMSBY VIA CLEETHORPES Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August – departing 11am and returning 9pm.

Thank you to all who have already paid the coach fare. If you haven't could you please arrange payment of £35 by 19<sup>th</sup> August. There are some seats spare on the coach, so if you would like to join this trip to Grimsby (via Cleethorpes seafront) to celebrate the Feast of St Augustine with Fr Mason's new parish, please just contact Susan (07355 850735 or admin@worksoppriory.co.uk). Thank vou!



## **100 CLUB**

Having done an amazing job for many years, lvy is stepping down from running the 100 Club. Please do consider if you are able to help co-ordinate this incredibly important fundraising scheme. You will have the full support of Keith (Treasurer to the PCC) and



Susan (Parish Administrator) who have developed systems to simplify the work involved and reduce the amount of cash being handled by the coordinator. Please have a chat with Ivy (07846 245859), Keith (07500 781759) or Susan (07355 850735) to find out more.



Can't attend a service or an event but would like to donate...use the QR code below!

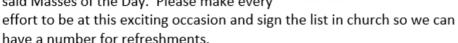




# VFRY SPECIAL DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES: Sunday 7th September

At 6.30pm Sunday 7th September Bishop Stephen will be here to ordain Robert Garnett to the Diaconate. Living in Conrad Close, Robert is the new Full Time Curate for the Priory Parish.

So as many of us as possible can attend there will be no Mass at Clumber that day and the 9.30am and 11.15am Masses will be simple, said Masses of the Day. Please make every



If you would like to be part of a "welcome to Worksop pack" please leave your donation in the box in the Churchwarden's pew. Anything that you think a new homeowner might need or want, gratefully received. Thank you!



# WORKSOP PRIORY & GATEHOUSE

# National Heritage Open Day

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR:

SERVING REFRESHMENTS

WELCOMING - CHURCH & GATEHOUSE CHAPEL

DONATIONS NEEDED:

CAKES, BUNS, SCONES ETC..

TOMBOLA PRIZES, BOOKS AND BRIC-A-BRAC

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO RAISE FUNDS FOR CHURCH BY
RUNNING A STALL PLEASE LET SUSAN KNOW;
ADMIN@WORKSOPPRIORY.CO.UK OR 07355 850735
PLEASE COMPLETE THE SIGN UP SHEET IN CHURCH TO
INDICATE THE HOURS YOU CAN VOLUNTEER

SATURDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 10AM-4PM

heritage open days



# **Betty Jarrett**

Botanical Paintings and Drawings

Sat 5<sup>th</sup> July – Sat 30<sup>th</sup> August 2025

Cath Ray Gallery and Studios

58b Bridgegate, Retford, DN22 7UZ

0780 320 4424 or raybooks@msn.com







Everyone Welcome £5 per bag Cash Only

Come and visit our second hand community shop. Items from 10p. All clothes £1 per item

Tuesday: 2 to 3 pm
Wednesday: 6 to 7.00pm
Join us on Tuesdays from 12pm for
communitea, have a cuppa, biscuit and a chat
St Paul's Church Hall, Pelham Street









# **Bassetlaw Food Bank**



# There are collection boxes at the back of Priory and St Paul's Churches

# Regular financial donations make a huge difference!



As grants and funding get harder to come by, knowing we have regular donations in means we know we can continue to support households in crisis in Bassetlaw.

You can set up regular or one off donation here:

http://bit.ly/donate to BFB



# Wednesday 13 August

£20	18	Miss L Davison
£10	<b>52</b> 52	Mr P Spridgeon
£5	77	Mrs L Spridgeon
£5	07	Mrs D Batty

Available Numbers: 29,32,34,59,61,62,63,72,74,50,81,82,84,86,89,91,92,96,97

In addition to the weekly draws there are two £100 draws and an annual £500 draw. Each number is £1 per week.

If you would like to be in it to win it, contact Ivy Underwood who will be happy to help you.

ivy.underwood1945@gmail.com or 07846 245859.

#### **Subscription Information:**

To make this enterprise simpler to manage we please ask that subscriptions be paid by bank transfer if possible and referenced '100 CLUB'. Cash payments should be in an envelope clearly marked '100 CLUB' with your NAME and NUMBER. Each number is £1 per week. Envelopes can be placed in the collection plate or passed to a member of the clergy, lvy Underwood, Keith Wake or Susan.



# Worksop Priory C of E Primary Academy



# Welcome to Priory Nursery and Reception



Our Nursery Times are:

Morning – 8:30am to 11:30am Afternoon – 12:30am to 3:30pm

We are also able to offer 30 hrs by application

We offer some fun groups to attend with your little one, either before your child starts with us or once they are at Nursery.

## Playgroup @ Priory Nursery

Activities, dancing, stories and rhymes for the under 5's. Every Monday 1.15 – 2.15pm.

### Family Fitness

Action activities with stories and rhymes for the under 5's. Tuesday 3.30-4:15pm. Runs for six weeks each term, please contact the office for dates.

#### Wiggly Worship at Priory Church

For the under 5's (pram service), every Wednesday 10.15-11.15am.



### We look forward to seeing you!

Contact the Academy Office on 01909 478886 Or email office@worksoppriory.snmat.org.uk



# SONGS AND STORIES FOR BABIES, TODDLERS & PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN

Every Wednesday 10.15am-11.am in church.

All parents, carers, grandparents and childminders are welcome to bring children to join in these friendly and fun sessions.

Most weeks we are also joined by a small group of nursery children & staff from Priory School who bring a craft activity along.

Please spread the word amongst your family and friends. Also, if you can help our lovely volunteers with helping set up, run or clear up afterwards we would love to hear from you.

If you would like more details about the group or about helping about, please contact us.

admin@works o ppriory.co.uk



#### **FUNDRAISING FOR PRIORY**

Are you able to host a fundraising event to help boost church funds? For example, a coffee morning, raffle, sponsored activity? Does your employer offer matched giving to charities? Please contact Susan with any ideas of events you would like to see hap-



pen and help plan - admin@worksoppriory.co.uk or





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#### What to do if you have a Safeguarding concern about someone at Worksop Priory

A safeguarding concern may relate to the welfare of someone, or care (or lack of) being provided. Also, you may need to talk to someone about something in our church that isn't right or has upset you.

#### **Urgent concerns**

If you believe someone is at immediate risk of being harmed you must contact either the Police or Social Services directly:

Police 999

Nottinghamshire Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) 0300 500 8090/0300 456 4546

#### Non-urgent concerns

If the concern is not urgent or an emergency, Worksop Priory has a **Parish Safeguarding Officer – Susan Bekisz** who manages safeguarding issues at church. She can be contacted on safeguarding@worksoppriory.co.uk

In the first instance it is useful to know the outline of the concern. Whilst the email address is confidential, we understand that you may not wish to disclose names of those involved in this way. It is likely that the Safeguarding Officer would then phone you so please leave a contact number and time of day that is most appropriate to call. If you prefer to liaise by email, please make that clear too.

If you are unable to email you can call **07355 850735**. This phone cannot always be answered immediately, but you can leave a message.

We will endeavour to respond within 48 hours.

There may be occasions when our Safeguarding Officer is not available.

If we have not responded within 36 hours after you have raised a concern, consider the following options to get advice:

Fr Spicer 01909 472180 or 07748 653640

Diocesan Safeguarding Team 01636 817200

We would stress that if you are concerned an issue requires urgent action, you should contact the police or social services directly using the phone numbers above.

#### PLEASE BE MINDFUL...

You may well have heard that recently there have been some thefts of personal possessions left unattended in church. Please, be aware, keep your bags closed and, along with other valuables, about your person always. We hope this will reduce any further opportunistic thefts.

It saddens us to have to write this, but being as vigilant as you can could prevent the upset and inconvenience a theft can have.



#### Email:

vicar@worksoppriory.co.uk

warden@worksoppriory.co.uk admin@worksoppriry.co.uk

Web:

worksoppriory.co.uk stpaulsworksop.org achurchnearyou.com/st-mary-st-cuthbert-worksop-priory

## Safeguarding matters please contact:

Parish Safeguarding Officer:

<u>safeguarding@worksoppriory.co.uk</u> 07355 850735 Diocesan Safeguarding Team:

safeguarding@southwell.anglican.org 01636 817200

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