**Sunday 3rd August 2025 7th Sunday after Trinity**

Collect:Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Hosea 11.1–11**

Hear the word of the LORD, O people. 1 When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. 2 The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols. 3 Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. 4 I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. 5 They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. 6 The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes. 7 My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. 8 How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. 9 I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. 10 They shall go after the LORD, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. 11 They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD.

**Psalm 107.1–9, 43**

R **Give thanks to the Lord for his mercy [and the wonders he does for his children].**

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

and his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim

that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.

3 He gathered them out of the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south. R

4 Some wandered in desert wastes;

they found no way to a city where they might dwell.

5 They were hungry and thirsty;

their spirits languished within them.

6 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,

and he delivered them from their distress. R

7 He put their feet on a straight path to go to a city where they might dwell.

[ 8 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy

and the wonders he does for his children. ]

9 For he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

43 Whoever is wise will ponder these things,

and consider well the mercies of the Lord. R

**Colossians 3.1–11**

1 If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, 3 for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. 5 Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). 6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. 7 These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. 8 But now you must get rid of all such things – anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. 9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices 10 and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. 11 In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

**Luke 12.13–21**

13 Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, ‘Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.’ 14 But he said to him, ‘Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?’ 15 And he said to the crowd, ‘Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.’ 16 Then he told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. 17 And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” 18 Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’” 20 But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” 21 So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

*Post Communion* Prayer: Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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**Sunday 3rd August**

08.00 Said BCP Holy Communion Service, St John’s

09.30 Sung Eucharist, St Mary’s

11.00 Sung Eucharist, St Peter’s

18.00 Service of the Word, St Catherine’s

**Tuesday 5th August**

10.00 Morning Worship, St Catherine’s

**Wednesday 6th August**

10.00 Morning Worship, St Mary’s

11.00 Prayer Circle, St Peter’s

**Sunday 10th August**

09.30 Sung Eucharist, St Helen’s

09.30 Service of the Word, St Mary’s

11.00 Sung Eucharist, St John’s

**Wednesday 13th August**

10.00 Morning Worship, St Mary’s

11.00 Prayer Circle, St Peter’s

**Thursday 14th August**

10.00 MU Communion Service, St Peter’s

**Sunday 17th August**

NB **NO** Said BCP Holy Communion Service, St John’s

09.30 Sung Eucharist, St Mary’s

11.00 Sung Eucharist St Peter’s

17.30 Sung Evensong, St John’s

**Tuesday 19th August**

10.00 Morning Worship, St Catherine’s

**Wednesday 20th August**

10.00 Morning Worship, St Mary’s

11.00 Prayer Circle, St Peter’s

**Sunday 24th August**

09.30 Sung Eucharist, St Helen’s

09.30 Service of the Word, St Mary’s

10.00 Regatta Service St Peter’s

11.00 Sung Eucharist, St John’s

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Do join us for **Sung Evensong** at St John’s Church, Yaverland on Sunday 17th August.

**Scarecrow Building:** Brading is hosting its 10th annual scarecrow festival from 22nd – 31st August. If you would like to help St Mary’s build theirs, or if you have any ideas or materials you think we might use (I’m thinking stuffed lions!) please contact Rev Bevaly.

St Peter’s are holding a **Coffee Morning** on Saturday 6th September from 10am in the church hall. All are welcome for coffee, cakes and a chat.

The next **Jumble Sale** at St Mary’s is on Saturday 6th Sept from 2pm. Jumble can be left from 11am. There will also be refreshments, cakes and a raffle. Entry 20p.

**Confirmation preparation:** Rev Karen and Rev Bevaly are leading a day of preparation for confirmation on Sat 13th September in St Mary’s Church hall. If you are interested and would like to know more please contact either one for more information. The Confirmation service is set for 19th October with the venue TBC.

Intercessions are a vital part of many church services, offering an opportunity to bring the needs of the world, the church and individuals before God in prayer. Revd. Karen is leading an **Intercessions Preparation Session** on Saturday 20th September at 10am at The Vicarage: This will equip intercession leaders with the tools and inspiration to write and deliver those prayers.

Reading the Bible aloud is a cornerstone of any church service, a vital connection point between God's word and congregation. It is a profound act that nourishes faith, offers guidance, and inspires worship. To ensure this vital ministry, a **session for all who currently read, or are interested in reading, during services** will be held on September 20th at 2pm in St Helen’s Church. It will provide valuable guidance on vocal projection, pacing, understanding the text, and conveying its meaning with appropriate emotion, all to the glory of God and the enrichment of the worshipping community.

There will be a **Joint benefice PCC meeting** on Thurs. 18th September 2025 at 6pm in St Mary’s church hall

Also a **Ministry Team/CW meeting to finalize Advent and Christmas Worship Rota** onWednesday 24th September at 2pm in St Catherine’s Chapel

**Do you volunteer for any of our Haven Benefice Churches?** Rev Karen warmly invites you to a **‘Thank You’** for our church Volunteers, however you give your time, on Saturday 4th October at 10am in St Mary’s Church Hall, Brading. There will be tea, coffee and cake.

**The winners of the 8 Bell Club** for July are 1st No.30 Diana Hetherington, 2nd No 75 Douglas Ware and 3rd No.34 Glenys Edwards. Thank you to everyone who supports the 8 Bell Club.