**Sunday 27th July 2025 6th Sunday after Trinity**

*Collect:* Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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 1.2–10**

2 When the LORD first spoke through Hosea, the LORD said to Hosea, ‘Go, take for yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the LORD.’ 3 So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son. 4 And the LORD said to him, ‘Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. 5 On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel.’ 6 She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the LORD said to him, ‘Name her Lo-ruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. 7 But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the LORD their God; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen.’ 8 When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and bore a son. 9 Then the LORD said, ‘Name him Lo-ammi, for you are not my people and I am not your God.’ 10 Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, ‘You are not my people,’ it shall be said to them, ‘Children of the living God.’

**Psalm 85**

R **Show us your mercy, O Lord.**

1 You have been gracious to your land, O Lord,

you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.

2 You have forgiven the iniquity of your people

and blotted out all their sins.

3 You have withdrawn all your fury

and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation. R

4 Restore us then, O God our Saviour;

let your anger depart from us.

5 Will you be displeased with us for ever?

will you prolong your anger from age to age?

6 Will you not give us life again,

that your people may rejoice in you?

7 Show us your mercy, O Lord,

and grant us your salvation. R

8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,

for he is speaking peace to his faithful people

and to those who turn their hearts to him.

9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,

that his glory may dwell in our land. R

10 Mercy and truth have met together;

righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

11 Truth shall spring up from the earth,

and righteousness shall look down from heaven. R

12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity,

and our land will yield its increase.

13 Righteousness shall go before him,

and peace shall be a pathway for his feet. R

**Colossians 2.6–15, (16–19)**

Brothers and sisters, 6 as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, 7 rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. 8 See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. 9 For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, 10 and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. 11 In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; 12 when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. 13 And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, 14 erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. 15 He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

[ 16 Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. 17 These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. 18 Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, 19 and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God. ]

**Luke 11.1–13**

1 Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, ‘Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.’ 2 He said to them, ‘When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. 3 Give us each day our daily bread. 4 And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.’ 5 And he said to them, ‘Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, “Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; 6 for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.” 7 And he answers from within, “Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.” 8 I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. 9 So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. 10 For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. 11 Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? 12 Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? 13 If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!’

*Post Communion Prayer* God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**Sunday 27th July**

09.30 Sung Eucharist, St Helen’s

09.30 Service of the Word, St Mary’s

11.00 Sung Eucharist, St John’s

11.00 Matins St Peter’s

15.30 Eco Church, St Helen’s

**Wednesday 30th July**

10.00 Morning Worship, St Mary’s

11.00 Prayer Circle, St Peter’s

**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

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**Eco Church** is at St Helen's Church on Sunday 27th July. We'll be taking part in the **Big Butterfly Count,** a UK-wide survey aimed at helping to assess the health of our environment by logging butterflies. Meet as usual at 3.30pm in the church for worship, and we'll end with a bring and share supper. Everyone is welcome

**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, please contact Rev Bevaly.

**Confirmation preparation:** Rev Karen and Rev Bevaly are leading a day of preparation for confirmation on Saturday 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 Preparation Session** led by Revd Karen. Saturday 20th September at 10am at The Vicarage: 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. For those tasked with leading these prayers, crafting meaningful and relevant intercessions can be both a privilege and a challenge. This session aims to equip intercession leaders with the tools and inspiration to write their own prayers. Refreshments provided.

Date for your diary: The next **Jumble Sale** at St Mary’s is on Saturday 6th September from 2pm.

The **Together in Prayer** group meets on Zoom each **Thursday from 6.30pm** for half an hour to pray for the world, the church and each other. For the Zoom code or to be prayed for please email Rev Bevaly.

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