



“NEWS from the PEWS”
The Parish of POSTLING
Part of the Elham Valley Group of Churches

**September-
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2025**

The Bi-monthly Newsletter of St. Mary & St. Radegund's Church, Postling

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A Message from the Rector: I wonder if you ever find yourself worrying about not having enough resources to do something? Perhaps there's something special you want to do or make or maybe an important task that is required of you, and you wonder if you have enough money, enough ingredients, enough time, enough of what the task requires...

Jesus was invited to a wedding along with his mother and disciples and once the reception was in full flow, his mother Mary came to him with the news that the wedding hosts had run out of wine. Imagine that - a wedding reception running out of celebratory drinks. What a disaster! Jesus didn't seem too bothered about what his mother had told him but she told the

servants to, *'Do whatever he tells you.'*

What happens next is nothing short of a miracle. Jesus asked the servants to fill some very large stone water jars with water (each holding about 20-30 gallons) and when this was poured out it became the best tasting wine! Jesus used the resources around him - willing servants, water jars and water to bless a wedding and God transformed the water into great tasting plentiful wine.

The Lord wants us to use the resources given to us, however small, to serve and honour Him, to reach out his love and care to others, and God will perform the miracle.

Things may not turn out exactly how we thought or planned but when we offer our gifts, God will do the work of transformation and God will provide generously - more than we could ever have imagined - when we *do whatever he asks...* Dear Lord, help me to see the resources around me as gifts you have provided. Help me to see your amazing generosity as these gifts are given to bless others and serve you. **Amen**

Harvest in Postling: Sunday 5th October Harvest Service in the Church at 5.30pm

Harvest Quiz Evening in the Village Hall at 7pm Be your own quiz master! As in previous years we invite teams of 6 people, but this year each team will be asked to choose a topic, create a set of 8 questions and be the quiz master for one round. Here is the list of topics from which you may choose. First come, first served!

History, Geography, Music, Sport, Science, Nature, Famous people, Local knowledge, Food, Drink, Famous sayings, Picture round. Please let Peter know your team's choice as soon as possible!

Food will be served half-way through the evening, but please bring plates for 2 courses, along with your own cutlery, glasses and drinks.

The cost is £48 per table, payable in advance or on the night. All proceeds will go to our church funds.

Services in September and October 2025

Sunday 7th September
No Service in Postling

Sunday 14th September
8.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 21st September
8.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 28th September
8.30am Breakfast Service

Sunday 5th October
5.30pm Harvest Service

Sunday 12th October
8.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 19th October
8.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 26th October
No Service in Postling

Postling Church Flower and Cleaning Rota

September 6 th	Annette and Carole
September 13 th and 20 th	Pam and Ann McN
September 27 th and October 4 th	Jane and Jenny M
October 11 th and 18 th	Kerry and Natalia
October 25 th and November 1 st	Malliet and Sarah

POSTLING LADIES COFFEE AND CAKE MORNING

The Coffee mornings continue to raise funds for the Pilgrims' Hospices. They take place on the second Saturday of each month in the Church from 10am-12 noon. The next dates are 13th September and the 11th October

The Craft Days continue on the first Saturday of the month in the village hall from 10am to 4pm. The next ones are 6th September and 4th October

Happy Hours continue every month, usually on the 4th Friday of the month

Happy Hours will be on Friday 26th September and Friday 24th October, from 6-7pm in the Church. If you would like to host a Happy Hour to mark a special occasion, please do let us know.