**The North Walsham Benefice**

**Sunday 10th August**

**Trinity 8**

Transformed by Christ: **Prayerful, Pastoral, Prophetic**

**8am** Holy Communion (1662) St Nicholas

**9.15am** Holy Communion All Saints

**10.30am** Holy Communion (Hymns NEH 345, 456, SP 123, 220)\*St Nicholas

*followed by the burial of ashes of the late Rosemary Mayes*

*Organ voluntary:* Postlude in G Op. 105 No. 2 – C. V. Stanford

**Hearing Loop** installed *(centre pews at St Nicholas, south pews at St Mary’s) please advise us if this is not operating correctly.*

**Gluten free wafers** are available *(at the High Altar at St Nicholas).* If you would like to receive **Communion** in your place, please advise a welcomer/churchwarden.

**\*Morning Prayer is said daily 9am Monday – Friday** at St Nicholas

**\*Live streamed services****:** *YouTube* St Nicholas North Walsham

**Tuesday 12th August**

**2pm** Mothers’ Union St Nicholas Rm

**Wednesday 13th August**

**10am** Knitting Group St Nicholas

**Thursday 14th August**

**9.30am** Coffee Morning St Nicholas Rm

**10.30am** Holy Communion  St Nicholas

**Friday 15th August**

**9.30am** Friday Prayer and Quiet Time Memorial Chapel

**Sunday** **17th August – Trinity 9**

**8am** Holy Communion (1662) St Nicholas

**10.30am** Patronal Holy Communion St Mary’s

***No 10.30am service at St Nicholas on 17th August***

**Collect**

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,  
we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Genesis 15.1-6**

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, ‘Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.’ 2But Abram said, ‘O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?’3And Abram said, ‘You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.’ 4But the word of the Lord came to him, ‘This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.’ 5He brought him outside and said, ‘Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.’ Then he said to him, ‘So shall your descendants be.’ 6And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

**Psalm 33.12-22**

12  Happy the nation whose God is the Lord ♦︎ and the people he has chosen for his own. **13  The Lord looks down from heaven ♦︎ and beholds all the children of earth.**14  From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze ♦︎on all who dwell on the earth.  
**15  He fashions all the hearts of them ♦  and understands all their works.**16  No king is saved by the might of his host; ♦︎ no warrior delivered by his great strength.  
**17  A horse is a vain hope for deliverance; ♦︎ for all its strength it cannot save.**18  Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, ♦︎ on those who wait in hope for his steadfast love, **19  To deliver their soul from death ♦︎ and to feed them in time of famine.**20  Our soul waits longingly for the Lord; ♦︎he is our help and our shield.  
**21  Indeed, our heart rejoices in him; ♦︎ in his holy name have we put our trust.**22  Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, ♦︎ as we have set our hope on you.

**Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16**

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. 2Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. 3By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. 8 By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing

where he was going. 9By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. 10For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. 11By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised.12Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, ‘as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.’ 13 All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, 14for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. 15If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. 16But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

**Luke 12. 32-40**

‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. 33Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. 34For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

35 ‘Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; 36be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. 37Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. 38If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

39 ‘But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. 40You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.’

**Post Communion Prayer**

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things;  
may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute;  
may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;  
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love  
   shine with the light of hope;  
and may the bodies which have been fed with your body  
   be refreshed with the fullness of your life;  
glory to you for ever. **Amen.**

**Readings for August 17th – Blessed Virgin Mary**

Isaiah 61.10, 11, Psalm 45.10-17, Galatians 4.4-7, Luke 1.46-55

**Notices**

We celebrate the **Patronal Festival** at St Mary’s Worstead on 17th August with Holy Communion at 10.30am. *There will be no 10.30am service at St Nicholas next Sunday.*

There will be no **5pm Sunday services** at St Nicholas until 14th September.

Thank you to all who’ve knitted hats etc for the Hospital Maternity Unit – please do not bring any more, as they have more than enough supplies for now! Thank you again!

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