# Weekly Pew Sheet for the benefice of Newport and Carisbrooke with Gatcombe



## Sunday 28th September 2025 - Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our benefice! If you are visiting one of our churches for the first time, please introduce yourself to us!

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<u>Collect</u>; Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### FIRST READING; Exodus 3: 1-22

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness and came to Mount Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. Now go, I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.' " God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

"Go and assemble the elders of Israel and say to them, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, has appeared to me, saying: I have given heed to you and to what has been done to you in Egypt. I declare that I will bring you up out of the misery of Egypt, to the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, a land flowing with milk and honey.' They will listen to your voice, and you and the elders of Israel shall go to the king of Egypt and say to him, 'The Lord, the God of the Hebrews, has met with us; let us now go a three days' journey into the wilderness, so that we may sacrifice to the Lord our God.' I know, however, that the king of Egypt will not let you go except by a mighty hand. So I will stretch out my hand and strike Egypt with all my wonders that I will perform in it; after that he will let you go. I will bring this people into such favour with the Egyptians that, when you go, you will not go empty-handed; each woman shall ask her neighbour and any woman living in the neighbour's house for jewellery of silver and of gold and clothing, and you shall put them on your sons and on your daughters; so you shall plunder the Egyptians."

This is the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

### GOSPEL READING; Luke 16: 19-31

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke Glory to you, O Lord

"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house—for I

have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you O Christ** 

<u>Post communion prayer</u>; Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### What's on in our parish?

Morning Prayer at The Minster: Monday-Thursday at 8.30am. All welcome.

<u>Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> September:</u> 1pm Lunchtime Concert 'The Sea gals' performing at Newport Minster.

Alpha at Newport Minster: Join us on Wednesday's for our new Alpha courses: Morning Alpha: 10:30am-12:00pm or Evening Alpha: 7:00pm-9:00pm. Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that explore life, faith, and meaning. Each week we look at a different question about the Christian faith, watch a short video, and share an open conversation in a relaxed setting. It is a great opportunity to meet new people, enjoy coffee (and pastries in the morning or puddings in the evening), and ask the big questions of life. Free and open to all. If you would like to attend please email: Joe Shurmer joseph.shurmer@cofeheartofwight.org

- <u>St. John's Midweek Service:</u> Takes place on Wednesday at 11am. This week the service is Holy Communion.
- <u>St. John's Lunch Club:</u> Every Wed, 11.45am-1pm in St John's Church Hall. £4.50 per person. To book a place, please contact lead, Di Hayman on 07901 553 674.
- \*Confirmation\*: Last call for anyone to be in touch with Chris to explore confirmation preparation class on: Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> October, 9.30-12.00, <a href="mailto:chris.bradish@cofeheartofwight.org">chris.bradish@cofeheartofwight.org</a>

<u>Harvest 'Long Table' Lunch:</u> We're inviting everyone to join us from 6<sup>th-</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Oct to enjoy FREE soup and a bread roll. We're offering homemade 'Apple Crumble' dessert at each lunch over the five days. If you'd like to support us by donating a homemade Apple Crumble dessert email: <a href="mailto:seth.klinger@cofeheartofwight.org">seth.klinger@cofeheartofwight.org</a>

<u>The Minster:</u> Will be closed 13<sup>th</sup> October for the Law Service. No café.