

The Greenway Benefice Sunday Sheet

Holy Trinity Badgeworth, St Paul's Shurdington, and St Mary's Witcombe with Bentham

(Sunday services, readings and prayers are on this sheet, please look in the Three in One for other news and notices)*

Sunday 12th October 2025

17^h Sunday after Trinity

Today's Services

8am	St Mary's	BCP Holy Communion
9:30am	St Paul's	Sunday Worship
11am	Holy Trinity	Holy Communion
11am	St Mary's	All-age worship

Collect

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
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.

Lectionary Readings

Jeremiah 29.1, 4-7

Jeremiah's Letter to the Exiles in Babylon

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. ⁴Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. ⁷But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Psalms 66.1-11

- 1 Be joyful in God, all the earth; •
sing the glory of his name;
sing the glory of his praise.
- 2 Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds! •
Because of your great strength
your enemies shall bow before you.
- 3 'All the earth shall worship you, •

sing to you, sing praise to your name.'

- 4 Come now and behold the works of God, •
how wonderful he is in his dealings with humankind.
- 5 He turned the sea into dry land;
the river they passed through on foot; •
there we rejoiced in him.
- 6 In his might he rules for ever;
his eyes keep watch over the nations; •
let no rebel rise up against him.
- 7 Bless our God, O you peoples; •
make the voice of his praise to be heard,
- 8 Who holds our souls in life •
and suffers not our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; •
you have tried us as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare; •
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water; •
but you brought us out into a place of liberty.

2 Timothy 2.8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

A Worker Approved by God

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Gospel Reading

Luke 17.11-19

Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?' ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' ¹⁹Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

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This week's prayers

Please remember in your prayers:

- Those living in School Lane & Blenheim Orchard.
- All who engage in pastoral visiting across the Benefice
- We are also praying for the people of Ukraine and the Middle East, that they may freely live in peace.

Shurdington Primary School

We are continuing our school links, and we pray for the staff and pupils. This term's school value is Thankfulness.

Our Frontline Prayer

We thank you, Heavenly Father, for the gift of this community. We commend one another to you on our different frontlines.

Wherever we are, whatever we do, whoever we are, may the Holy Spirit guide us in all things so that we may do God's will in the world, in the service of Jesus Christ and with great joy.

In Church next week

Sunday 19th October 18th Sunday after Trinity

9.30	St Paul's	Holy Communion
11.00	Holy Trinity	BCP Morning Prayer
11.00	St Mary's	Holy Communion

ECO tip for October

Contribute to wildlife conservation. Clean bird feeders to prevent diseases spreading to winter migrants. Install a nest box well before breeding season to provide a cosy retreat for small birds during cold winter nights. Prepare to support more birds next year, with more tips at

<https://arocha.org.uk/give-a-bird-a-home/>

As you observe the local birds reflect on this verse, 'I know every bird in the mountains, and the insects in the fields are mine.' Psalm 50:11

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