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 2nd November 2025

All Saints'

Today's Services

8am	St Paul's	BCP Holy Communion
9:30am	St Paul's	Sunday Worship
11.00am	Holy Trinity	Sunday worship
11.00am	St Mary's	Sunday Worship
3pm	Holy Trinity	All Souls' Service

Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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

Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18

Visions of the Four Beasts

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ²I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

Daniel's Visions Interpreted

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷'As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever.'

Psalm 149

- 1 Alleluia. O sing to the Lord a new song; sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in their maker; •

- let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.
- 3 Let them praise his name in the dance; let them sing praise to him with timbrel and lyre.
- 4 For the Lord has pleasure in his people and adorns the poor with salvation.
- 5 Let the faithful be joyful in glory; let them rejoice in their ranks,
- 6 With the praises of God in their mouths and a two-edged sword in their hands;
- 7 To execute vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples;
- 8 To bind their kings in chains and their nobles with fetters of iron;
- 9 To execute on them the judgement decreed: such honour have all his faithful servants.
 Alleluia.

Ephesians 1.11-end

¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Paul's Prayer

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason 16 do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, 18 so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Gospel Reading

Luke 6.20-31

Blessings and Woes

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴ 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

Love for Enemies

'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

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This week's prayers

Please remember in your prayers:

- Those living in Orchard Grove.
- Ministry of hospital visiting.
- 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. Amen

In Church next week

Sunday 9th November Remembrance Sunday

8am St Mary's Holy Communion BCP 9:30am St Paul's Worship 10.50am Holy Trinity Holy Communion 10.55am St Mary's All-age worship

ECO tip for November

Measure your carbon footprint.

Take an audit of your individual or household carbon footprint and repeat each year to see if you can reduce it! There are lots of ways to do this, from switching energy suppliers to changes in your diet. Some great tools to use are available, https://www.climatestewards.org/carbon-calculators/ offers a specific resource for households. As you look at different areas of your life, offer each area or action to God as an offering.