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 9th November 2025

Remembrance Sunday

Today's Services

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

Collect

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Lectionary Readings

Job 19.23-27a

- ²³ 'O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book!
- ²⁴ O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock for ever!
- ²⁵ For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
- ²⁶ and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God,
- whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!

Psalm 17.1-9

- 1 Hear my just cause, O Lord; consider my complaint; listen to my prayer, which comes not from lying lips.
- 2 Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes behold what is right.
- 3 Weigh my heart, examine me by night, refine me, and you will find no impurity in me.
- 4 My mouth does not trespass for earthly rewards; I have heeded the words of your lips.
- 5 My footsteps hold fast in the ways of your commandments; •my feet have not stumbled in your paths.

- 6 I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me, and listen to my words.
- 7 Show me your marvellous loving-kindness,
 - O Saviour of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise up against them.
- 8 Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings,
- 9 From the wicked who assault me, from my enemies who surround me to take away my life.

2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-end

The Man of Lawlessness

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ²not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

Chosen for Salvation

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Gospel Reading

Luke 20.27-38

The Question about the Resurrection

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him ²⁸ and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; 30then the second 31 and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³²Finally the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.' Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; 35 but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. 38 Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

This week's prayers

Please remember in your prayers:

- Those living in Vicarage Close.
- Our readers: Robert Poole & Vaughan Kerry, and also for Rob's funeral ministry.
- 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 16th November 2nd Sunday before Advent

9.30 St Paul's Holy Communion11.00 Holy Trinity BCP Morning Prayer11.00 St Mary's Holy Communion

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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.