

**The Parishes of Adbaston, Gnosall, High Offley & Knightley,  
Moreton and Norbury  
Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October. (Trinity 16)**

**Collect**

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**2 Timothy 1: 1-14**

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

**Luke 17: 11-19**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke: **Glory to you O Lord.**

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

**In our year's mind (St Lawrence, Gnosall) we remember:** Alice Lucilla Air, Lucy Irene (Renee) Marsh, Richard Lloyd Cartwright, Rosa Jones, Barbara Ruth Welch Lewis.

**Notices**

**This Week's Services- 5<sup>th</sup> October**

**Gnosall 8am** Holy Communion

**10am** Benefice Zoom Worship

**Next Week's Services- 12<sup>th</sup> October**

**Gnosall 8am** Communion by Extn

**10:30am** Holy Communion

**Knightley 9:30am** Morning Worship

**Adbaston 9:30am** Family Communion by Extn

**Norbury 11am** Morning Worship

**Moreton 11am** Communion by Extn

**Vespers**

The next two Ecumenical Vespers led by the Roman Catholic community will be on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October and Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 6:30pm.

### **Coffee and Chat**

Join us for Coffee and Chat at St Lawrence Church. 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of every month. All Welcome.

### **Children's Society**

Calling all Box Holders. October is the month when I shall be collecting in the boxes for counting. If you are able, can you please drop them off at St Lawrence's Church at service times i.e. Sundays @ 8.00 and 10.30 am (except first and fifth Sunday in the month), at my house 3 Pear Tree Close or you can wait for a pick up from your house. If you have any difficulties please feel free to give me a call on Tel: 01785 824349.

Can I, on behalf of all the vulnerable children the Society helps, in anticipation thank you for your generosity.

Yvonne Cannell (Coordinator)

### **Prayer for the Appointment of a Rector**

Heavenly Father, we thank you for your faithfulness in guiding and guarding the Benefice in this period without a Rector. Lord Jesus, we know that you have plans for us and that these plans are good. Lay on the heart of people seeking the next step for their ministry the challenges and opportunities here in the Benefice; and guide those involved in appointing the right priest to be our next Rector.

Holy Spirit, make us ready to welcome and support the person appointed. Help us to find and follow your way for the future and work together to grow your kingdom in our churches and communities, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **St Lawrence Just Giving Page**

We have a Just Giving page which can be accessed by a web-link or simply by scanning the QR code using your mobile phone. Giving via Lichfield Diocese means Gift Aid is reclaimed on behalf of the church and all donations are passed to us without any fees or commission.



<https://www.justgiving.com/page/st-lawrence-gnosall>

### **Eco Tip of the Month**

Taste the difference! Local and seasonal food not only tastes great but is better for the planet too. Think about incorporating locally grown produce into your diet and shopping list throughout the seasons, as it is harvested at its peak ripeness ensuring superior flavour, compared to imported alternatives that have travelled thousands of miles. If saying grace before a meal is a regular practice in your household, include giving thanks for your local food producers this month.

### **Contact Details for the Church Office.**

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Office hours: Tuesday and Wednesday 9-12.00, Friday 9-1:00. During the Benefice Vacancy please contact Gnosall Vicarage by phone or email with enquiries related to regular services and funerals or to book weddings or baptisms. When the office is not staffed leave a message and someone will reply as soon as possible.