

# 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 14th June 2026**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

## Today's Services

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| 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

Lord, you have taught us  
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:  
send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most  
excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all  
virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead  
before you.

Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Lectionary Readings

### Genesis 18.1–15

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day.<sup>2</sup> He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground.<sup>3</sup> He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant.'<sup>4</sup> Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree.<sup>5</sup> Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.'<sup>6</sup> And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.'<sup>7</sup> Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it.<sup>8</sup> Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.'<sup>10</sup> Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.' And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him.<sup>11</sup> Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women.<sup>12</sup> So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, 'After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?'<sup>13</sup> The Lord

said to Abraham, 'Why did Sarah laugh, and say, "Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?"'<sup>14</sup> Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.'<sup>15</sup> But Sarah denied, saying, 'I did not laugh'; for she was afraid. He said, 'Oh yes, you did laugh.'

### Psalm 116.1, 10–17

1 I love the Lord,  
for he has heard the voice of my supplication; ♦  
because he inclined his ear to me  
on the day I called to him.  
10 How shall I repay the Lord ♦  
for all the benefits he has given to me?  
11 I will lift up the cup of salvation ♦  
and call upon the name of the Lord.  
12 I will fulfil my vows to the Lord ♦  
in the presence of all his people.  
13 Precious in the sight of the Lord ♦  
is the death of his faithful servants.  
14 O Lord, I am your servant, ♦  
your servant, the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.  
15 I will offer to you a sacrifice of thanksgiving ♦  
and call upon the name of the Lord.  
16 I will fulfil my vows to the Lord ♦  
in the presence of all his people,  
17 In the courts of the house of the Lord, ♦  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
Alleluia.

### Romans 5.1–8

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,<sup>2</sup> through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.<sup>3</sup> And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance,<sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,<sup>5</sup> and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.<sup>7</sup> Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die.<sup>8</sup> But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

## Gospel Reading

### Matthew 9.35—10.8 9–23

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; <sup>38</sup> therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup> These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; <sup>3</sup> Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup> Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, <sup>6</sup> but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near."<sup>8</sup> Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. [<sup>9</sup> Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, <sup>10</sup> no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their food. <sup>11</sup> Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. <sup>12</sup> As you enter the house, greet it. <sup>13</sup> If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. <sup>14</sup> If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. <sup>15</sup> Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgement than for that town.

See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. <sup>17</sup> Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; <sup>18</sup> and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. <sup>19</sup> When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; <sup>20</sup> for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. <sup>21</sup> Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and

children will rise against parents and have them put to death; <sup>22</sup> and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup> When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.]

## This week's prayers

Please remember in your prayers:

- Those living in Hillview Gardens & Harrison Road.
- Shurdington Church of England Primary School: The Headteacher: Jon Millin, staff, children and Governors.
- 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 21<sup>st</sup> June     3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity

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

## ECO tip for June

This month we are encouraged to take part in a citizen science project to increase our awareness of God's creation.

### Why not try #30 days Wild in June

Organised by The Wildlife Trusts, the family resource pack is full of ideas to help you find out more about nature, help nature in your local area and celebrate all things wild.

More ideas in this month's Three in One

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