

O God of all justice and peace,
we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma and violence and fear which
prevail in the lands of the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan and South Sudan.

Be with those who need you in these days of suffering.

We pray for people of all faiths, Jews, Muslims and Christians, and for all the
people of those lands.

And while we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence and the establishment
of peace, we also call for you to bring justice and equity to the peoples.

Guide us into your kingdom, where all people are treated with dignity and honour
as your children. For to all of us you are our Heavenly Father.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

(The prayer above has been adapted by the Dean of Salisbury, Nick Papadopoulos, from a
prayer by the Archbishop of Jerusalem)

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on 01793 853272. And thank you!

Keep in touch, or let us know if any help is needed at:

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***We seek to grow through prayer and
share Christ's love through engagement with all.***

Weekly News

21st June 2026



Sunday

8:00 am Holy Communion

10:00 am Parish Eucharist

Followed by Refreshments in the Croft

Church Children meet in the Croft for singing and music-making

Wednesday

10:30 am Holy Communion

Contacting the Vicar: It has been decided to discontinue use of the vicarage
landline, so if you need to contact Jane urgently, her mobile number is 07855
746040. Jane's church email is vicar@stbartholomews-wb.com

Churchyard Tidy up: Saturday 4th July starting at 9:30am. A call for
help please, and would you mind bringing your own tools? There's a sign-up
sheet in church, and to coin a phrase – "many hands make light work". Thank
you.

Saturday 4th July: Ladies Guild Coffee Morning. Light refreshments,
home-made cake, raffle and good company. Everyone welcome.

Sunday July 5th 6pm. Service of 'Hymns & Pimms'. There is a box on
the font to receive your hymn requests for this service, please include a brief
explanation as to why you have chosen this hymn(s) if you wish to. Lisa and
Jane will work these hymns into a service format for this Sunday. The service in
2025 was a huge success. Michael Page

Saturday 11th July The Friends of St. Bartholomew's invite you to the
Churchyard, 12 noon – 3:00pm. Bring a picnic and there will be refreshments
available in The Croft. Fun and games, raffle, cake stall, tombola & music.

Response to Psalm 69



Sunday 21st June 2026

3rd Sunday after Trinity

COLLECT

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20.7-13

7 O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-stock all day long; everyone mocks me.
8 For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, 'Violence and destruction!' For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long.
9 If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name', then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.
10 For I hear many whispering: 'Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!' All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. 'Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him.'
11 But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten.
12 O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

13 Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD!

For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

SECOND READING: Romans 6.1b-11

1 Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? 2 By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? 3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. 6 We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. 7 For whoever has died is freed from sin. 8 But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. 10 The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. 11 So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 10.24-39

Jesus summoned the twelve and sent them out with the following instruction: 24 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; 25 it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

26 So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. 27 What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. 28 Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. 29 Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. 30 And even the hairs of your head are all counted. 31 So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

32 Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; 33 but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

34 Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. 35 For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; 36 and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

37 Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; 38 and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. 39 Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.'