

Parish News

Weekly Pew Sheet for the benefice of Newport and Carisbrooke with Gatcombe
To know Jesus and to make him known

Welcome to our benefice! If you are visiting one of our churches for the first time, please introduce yourself to us!



Verse for the week

“Follow me,” he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.
Matthew 9: 9

Thought for the week

Dear friends,

Although we've been on the Island nearly a year, I still use Google Maps to navigate my way around the island, there's something reassuring about having a voice of instructions to follow.

In our gospel reading, Jesus calls Matthew to come and follow him and Matthew obeys. Following Jesus involves listening to his voice calling us, obediently saying yes to Jesus in our lives, it is about putting down our own agendas and picking up God's agenda for ourselves. This week, I invite you to listen to where Jesus is calling you to obey him as we follow him as his disciples.

Abbie

Collect;

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son. **Amen.**

FIRST READING; Romans 4: 13-end

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore "it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING; Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she was saying to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And the woman was made well from that moment. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread through all of that district.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

Post communion prayer;

Eternal Father,
we thank you for nourishing us
with these heavenly gifts:
may our communion strengthen us in faith,
build us up in hope,
and make us grow in love;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

What's on in our parish?

Worship and Prayer Sunday Evening Service: Sunday evening – doors open at 6pm at the Minster for coffee, with the evening starting at 6:30pm. All are welcome – we would love to see you there!

St. John's Midweek Service: Takes place on Wednesday at 11am. This week the service is Morning Prayer.

Singing for Fun: Wednesdays at 7pm in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

Services on Sunday 28th June:

11am - Joint Benefice Communion - Newport Minster. We are gathering as a benefice to celebrate Abbie's ordination as a priest and as she presides at communion for the first time. It would be great to see as many people there as possible to support Abbie as she steps into the new phase of her ministry.

5pm - Archdeacon Welcome Service - Newport Minster. Join the churches across the island as we welcome the Venerable Barry Dugmore, the new Archdeacon of the Isle of Wight. If possible, please let us know that you are coming in advance, using the RSVP sheet at the back of the church.

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