



ST LAURENCE CHURCH, Warborough
SUNDAY 19TH JULY
7TH AFTER TRINITY

Welcome to our services today, especially any who are visiting us or are new parishioners. Please make yourself known to the clergy or those on duty.

THE COLLECT PRAYERS

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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.

Amen

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

BIBLE READINGS

Genesis 28.10–19a

10 Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. ¹¹He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. ¹²And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³And he LORD stood beside him and said, 'I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; ¹⁴and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. ¹⁵Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' ¹⁶Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!' ¹⁷And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

18 So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. ¹⁹He called that place Bethel.

Romans 8. 12–25

12 So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— 13for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 14For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. 15For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ 16it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. 18 I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. 19For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; 20for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope 21that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. 22We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; 23and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. 24For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? 25But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

24 Jesus put before his disciples another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; 25but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. 26So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. 27And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, “Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?” 28He answered, “An enemy has done this.” The slaves said to him, “Then do you want us to go and gather them?” 29But he replied, “No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. 30Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.” ’ 36 Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, ‘Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.’ 37He answered, ‘The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; 38the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, 39and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. 40Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. 41The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, 42and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 43Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live:

may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

Gracious God, as Abraham welcomed strangers and Mary sat at the feet of Jesus to listen, teach your Church to be both generous in hospitality and faithful in prayer. May we gladly receive Christ and share his love with all.

Your kingdom come, your will be done. Amen.

We pray for our nation at this time of political transition. Guide those who are leaving office and those taking up new responsibilities, especially the incoming Prime Minister and all who serve in government. Grant them wisdom, integrity and compassion, that they may seek the common good and work for justice and peace.

Your kingdom come, your will be done. Amen.

We remember before you those who are sick, anxious, or grieving. May Christ, in whom all things hold together, surround them with his peace, strengthen those who care for them, and bring us all to the joy of your everlasting kingdom.

We pray for those who have died, especially Stephen Garland and Barbara Ferriman and all who mourn their going; calm the fears of the dying and have mercy on us all.

Your kingdom come, your will be done.

We give thanks for Jeremy and Rob Parker-Boughton, and pray for God's continued blessing on them following their service of blessing yesterday.

We give thanks for Harriet Lucy McLardy-Smith and pray that she will grow up to always know the love of God. **Amen**

SERVICES NEXT WEEK

TUESDAY 21ST JULY

10:30 AM MORNING PRAYER – DORCHESTER ABBEY

WEDNESDAY 22ND JULY

9:00 AM MORNING PRAYER – BERINSFIELD –*followed by* 9:30 AM HOLY COMMUNION – BERINSFIELD

SUNDAY 26TH JULY

8:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) – DORCHESTER ABBEY

8:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) - WARBOROUGH

9:30 AM HOLY COMMUNION – DRAYTON ST LEONARD

9:30 AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) – STADHAMPTON

10:30 AM MORNING SERVICE – DORCHESTER ABBEY

11:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION – MARSH BALDON

3:00 PM BERINSFIELD HOUSE OF PRAYER LIVING ROOM - BERINSFIELD

4.30 PM CLUSTER EVENSONG – STADHAMPTON

Warborough News:

Rev'd Lisa will preside as we celebrate the Seventh Sunday after Trinity. Do join us, also after the Service for Coffee, Cake and Conversation in St. Laurence Hall - all will be most welcome!

This week, we'll be praying for those who live in Warborough Road, Cherry Close, Orchard Close and Oatland Close. We continue to pray for the bereaved, including the family and friends of Ian Ramsell, RIP, whose funeral was held here on Tuesday.

We pray for the children and staff of St Laurence School, following their Leavers Assembly this week, and as they start their summer break. We wish Nic Cooper all the best for her retirement.

The Funeral Service of the late
Mr Stephen Garland will be held on
Tuesday 28th July – 2 pm
at Dorchester Abbey

The Funeral Service of the late
Mrs Barbara Ferriman will be held on
Thursday 30th July – 11am
at Dorchester Abbey