



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

Jesus said 'As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.'

John 9: 4-5

Thought for the week

Have you noticed how it's getting dark much earlier than just a few weeks ago? Many find this time of year difficult because of the shortening days and in Bible times that meant less time to work. Jesus uses this illustration to warn of the darkness to come when he, the light of the world, was swallowed up by death. Then it seemed as if the powers of darkness, the forces opposed to God, had won. But in the darkest time Jesus rose from the dead bringing his light, hope and life to everyone who follows him; just as he does for the man born blind in this week's reading and just as he can for us too in the darkest times of our lives.

Best wishes Ethne

Collect;

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING; 'I am' Series: Isaiah 9: 2-7

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.
You have multiplied exultation;
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.
For the yoke of their burden
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.
For all the boots of the tramping warriors
and all the garments rolled in blood
shall be burned as fuel for the fire.
For a child has been born for us,
a son given to us;
authority rests upon his shoulders,
and he is named
Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Great will be his authority,
and there shall be endless peace
for the throne of David and his kingdom.
He will establish and uphold it
with justice and with righteousness

from this time onward and forevermore.
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING; John 8: 12; 9:1-7

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John
Glory to you, O Lord

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Post communion prayer;

Lord, we pray that your grace
may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

What's on in our parish?

St. John's Midweek Service: Wednesday at 11am with Morning Prayer.

The Barnabas Way: Would you like to join in the Barnabas Way, a Year of Encouragement? There will be sessions on Thursday evening throughout the year looking at the Bible course, Acts: The Church in the making, and the Cloud of Witnesses. There is still time to join and it's okay to miss a session or two. Speak to Rev. Chris for further details. All are welcome.

Choral Evensong: The Choir supported by the Choirs of the Minster and St. Mary's Carisbrooke will present a full Choral Evensong Service in St. John's on Sunday 27th September at 5pm. All are welcome to attend.

Worship and Prayer Sunday Evening Service: Returns Sunday evening, 27th September – 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!

Harvest Long Table - Thursday 1st October – 12.30-2pm: Join us at the Minster for soup and a roll around the Long Table as we celebrate Harvest. All are welcome to come along and any donations will go to Feeding Isle of Wight.

Harvest: Sunday, 4th October we will be collecting for Feeding Isle of Wight and The Food Bank. Most needed items are: tinned fruit, soup, puddings, coffee, rice puddings, tinned meat meals, female deodorant, shaving gel/foam, laundry tablets/powder and shampoo.

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