

SERVICES NEXT WEEK

TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER

10:30 AM MORNING PRAYER – DORCHESTER ABBEY

WEDNESDAY 21ST OCTOBER

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

HOLY COMMUNION – BERINSFIELD

SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER

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

8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)- WARBOROUGH

9.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION- LITTLE WITTENHAM

9.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)- STADHAMPTON

10.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION WITH BAPTISM- DRAYTON ST LEONARD

10.30 AM MORNING WORSHIP BIBLE SUNDAY– DORCHESTER ABBEY

11.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION- MARSH BALDON

3.00 PM HOUSE OF PRAYER LIVING ROOM WITH INFORMAL

WORSHIP-BERINSFIELD

4.30 PM CLUSTER EVENSONG- WARBOROUGH

Warborough News

We continue to pray for the recently bereaved, including the family and friends of the late Dennis Baxter, whose funeral will be held here on Thursday 22nd October at 10.30am

We pray for the family and friends of the late Denise Kirby, whose funeral will take place here on Friday 6th November at 2pm.

The Celebration of Life for the late Judith Wilkinson will be held on Friday 23rd October at 1pm at Dorchester Abbey.

Prayers are also said today for those living on Quaker Lane, The Green South, The Six Bells and the children and all those connected with Footsteps.

We hope you will join us for refreshments in St Laurence Hall immediately after our 11am Eucharist service.



SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER

ST LAURENCE CHURCH, WARBOROUGH

LUKE THE EVANGELIST

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

Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; 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**

Almighty God, who calledst Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul; May it please thee that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

BIBLE READINGS

Isaiah 35.3–6

³ Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. ⁴ Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you. ⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶ then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert.

2 Timothy 4.5–17

⁵ As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. ⁶ As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day,

and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. ⁹ Do your best to come to me soon, ¹⁰for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹ Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. ¹² I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. ¹³ When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. ¹⁴ Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. ¹⁵ You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message. ¹⁶ At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

Luke 10.1–9

¹⁰ The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" ⁶ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹ cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." '

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

Let us pray to God, who calls us to go out into the world, to bring peace, to care for those in need, and to proclaim that the kingdom of God is near.

We pray for the Church throughout the world, giving thanks for St Luke and all who share the good news of Jesus Christ through their words and actions. May all who are called to serve be strengthened in faith, generous in hospitality, and attentive to the needs of those among whom they minister.

We pray for the leaders of nations, that they may work for justice, reconciliation and peace. We remember especially those living amid war, violence and persecution. May those who bring division learn to seek understanding and may those who work for peace be given courage and perseverance.

We thank you for the beauty of your creation, for our countryside, farms, gardens and wildlife, and for all who work the land. Teach us to use the earth's resources wisely and fairly, to protect the natural world, and to ensure that all people have access to the food, water and shelter they need.

In the month of breast cancer awareness, we pray for all those affected by breast cancer: those recently diagnosed, those undergoing treatment, those living with the effects of illness, and those whose cancer has returned. We give thanks for the dedication of medical staff, researchers and support workers. May all find compassionate care, strength for each day, and hope in times of uncertainty.

We pray for all who are sick, anxious, lonely or grieving; for those struggling with poverty, homelessness or uncertainty; and for all who care for others. We pray for the family of Judith Wilkinson as they mourn their loss. May all in need, know your healing presence, find comfort in times of distress, and receive practical help and the kindness of their neighbours.

We pray too, for the families bringing their children for baptism. Would your Holy Spirit walk alongside them as they seek to raise the next generation of your disciples.

Faithful God, as you sent out the seventy to share your peace and proclaim your kingdom, send us out to serve you in our homes, our villages and our wider world, that through our lives others may come to know your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**