



Sunday 11th October 2026 - Trinity 19

WORSHIP TODAY

10:30am St Peter, Bromyard Holy Communion
4:00pm Moreton Jeffries Church Harvest Worship

TODAY'S READINGS

Morning: Philippians 4.1-9; Matthew 22.1-14
Continuous: Exodus 32.1-14; Psalm 106.1-6, 19-23*
Related: Isaiah 25.1-9 ; Psalm 23
Evening: Psalm 139.1-18*; Proverbs 3.1-18;
1 John 3.1-15; Mark 10.17-31
**Harvest: Deuteronomy 8: 6-18; Psalm 65;
2 Corinthians 9: 6-18; Luke 12: 13-34**

Collect for Trinity 19

O God,
forasmuch as without You we are not able to please You;
mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
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.

REFLECTION: Trinity 19

A wedding! Oh no! What to wear, what to wear?

For men, it's easy; suit, clean shirt, tie and matching 'kerchief in the jacket pocket.

For ladies the shoes have to match the handbag, which has to match the hat or fascinator, which has to fit in with the hairstyle, which has to, which has to ...

And there's always the temptation to make observations about what others are wearing: 'You're brave wearing that colour with you hair colouring', 'I see you've dusted down your old suit', 'Yes, if you keep it for long enough, I guess it will come back into fashion'.

In Matthew's gospel, a king throws a wedding banquet for his son and sends out invitations. But those invited refuse to come, despite a second wave of invitations. So the King sends his servants out to the street corners to invite anybody they could find. And soon the banqueting hall was full to capacity.

Somehow, a person gets into the banqueting hall without putting on a wedding robe, as it is implied was a requirement. And so they get tied up and thrown out.

That seems harsh when we talk about our loving God., especially in these days of inclusivity.

Tom Wright helpfully says this:

'...God's kingdom is a kingdom in which love and justice and truth and mercy and holiness reign unhindered. They are the clothes you need to wear for the wedding. And if you refuse to put them on, you are saying you don't want to stay at the party.'

We are to clothe ourselves in love, justice, truth, mercy, and holiness.

Paul simplifies this in Romans 13:

'... clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, ...' Romans 13:14 (ANIV)

As we accept God's invitation to the wedding banquet, to join in the Divine Dance, may we clothe ourselves with Christ, as we show His love, act justly, seek the truth, live mercifully, walking in holiness.

Rev Phil

Wednesday 13th October 2026			READINGS – Trinity 20 <i>Morning:</i> 1 Thessalonians 1.1-10; Matthew 22.15-22 <i>Continuous:</i> Exodus 33.12-end; Psalm 99* <i>Related:</i> Isaiah 45.1-7; Psalm 96.1-9 [10-end] <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 142 [143.1-11]; Proverbs 4.1-18; 1 John 3.16 - 4.6; Mark 10.35-45 Harvest: Deuteronomy 8: 6-18; Psalm 65; 2 Corinthians 9: 6-18; Luke 12: 13-34
10:00am	St Peter, Bromyard	Prayers	
Sunday 18th October 2026 - Trinity 20			
9:00am	St Peter, Bromyard	Holy Communion	
10:30am	St Peter & St Paul, Stoke Lacy	Harvest Festival	
	St Peter, Bromyard	Morning Worship	
4:00pm	St Peter, Bromyard	Harvest Bangers	
6:00pm	The Vicarage	Boulders	

BROMYARD FOODBANK
Urgent needs: Chocolate cereal, Tuna pasta bake mix, Long-life semi skimmed milk, Sponge puddings, squash, Crisps, Mayonnaise, Tomato ketchup
For Harvest we have been asked to offer Pasta Sauce, Dried Pasta, Toothpaste

HARVEST WORSHIP
October is our month for celebrating Harvest:
Sunday 11th October Moreton Jeffries 4:00pm Harvest Worship
Sunday 18th October St Peter & St Paul, Stoke Lacy 10:30am Harvest Worship & Lunch
St Peter, Bromyard 4:00pm Harvest Assembly Bangers
Sunday 25th October Brockhampton Chapel 3:00pm Harvest Evensong
Our donations of food will be for Bromyard Foodbank, who have asked us to offer Pasta Sauce, Dried Pasta, and Toothpaste.
DEANERY SYNOD
The next meeting of our Deanery Synod is on Thursday 15th October, 7:00pm at Much Cowarne church. This is an important, open meeting to which all are invited. Archdeacon Derek, Rev Mark Godson, and Heather Martin/Lizzie Hackney will be joining us to share the Diocesan plan for Shared Local Ministry. Do come along to listen, and to share your thoughts and views.
SWINGIN' SAMSON
On Friday 30th October, 7pm at the Conquest Theatre, Bromyard Deanery are putting on a 'Come and sing, come and play' production of 'Swingin' Samson'. The first half will include acts from Bromyard Choral Society, Conquest Youth Theatre, and others, with the second half given over to everyone joining in 'Swingin' Samson'. For more information, please contact Steve Curtis via the Parish Office.
SERVICE OF LIGHT
On Saturday 31st October we will be holding our annual Service of Light to remember loved ones who are with us no more. The service will be at 4:00pm in St Peter, Bromyard.
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
Remembrance this year falls on Sunday 8th November. There will be services at 10:30am in both Stoke Lacy and Bromyard.
In Bromyard we will be joined by the local branch of the RBL, Cadets, uniformed organisations, QE School,, along with our MP, town councillors, and county representatives.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:
Paul & Jane Newitt, Terry Burnett, Marianne Raynor, Ruby Evans, Tony Evans, Rachel Ager, Betty Whiteley, Wallace & Mary Brown, Carole Freegard, Christine & Godfrey Jones, Jim Lowe
Recently bereaved: the families of Keith Woodley, Ethne Goodchap, Mark Davies, Rebecca Libby, Gwen Masters, Ronald Tolley, Edgar Whiteley, Alan Seabrook, Michael Miller, Janet Morgan, Margaret Hamilton-Herbert, Margaret Wood, Cecil Harris, Ann Simcock, Ruby Ree, Andrew Lamming, Sheila 'Lulu' Hinds
Wedding Couples: Daniel Chambers & Eve Harper; Vinod Gogna & Gaelle Vilfour
Baptisms: William Hold, Otto Ree

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