

SERVICES NEXT WEEK

TUESDAY 27TH OCTOBER

10:30 AM MORNING PRAYER – DORCHESTER ABBEY

WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER

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

9:30 AM HOLY COMMUNION – BERINSFIELD

SATURDAY 31ST OCTOBER

3.00 PM ALL SOULS – BERINSFIELD

SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

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

8.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)- CLIFTON HAMPDEN

9.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION- LONG WITTENHAM

9.30 AM FAMILY SERVICE - STADHAMPTON

10.30 AM HOLY COMMUNION- MARSH BALDON

10.30 AM ALL SOULS REMEMBERING WITH THANKSGIVING–
DORCHESTER ABBEY

11.00 AM HOLY COMMUNION- CULHAM

11.00AM PARISH EUCHARIST- WARBOROUGH

2.30 PM MESSY CHURCH-BERINSFIELD

3.00PM FOREST CHURCH- DORCHESTER ABBEY

5.00PM HOLY COMMUNION- DRAYTON ST LEONARD

6.00 PM ALL SOULS' SERVICE- WARBOROUGH

Warborough News:

We continue to pray for the recently bereaved. We pray for the families and friends of Colin Dennis Baxter and Judith Wilkinson.

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

We pray for the residents of Henfield View and The Green North.

Our All Souls Service for the Departed takes place on Sunday 1st November at 6pm. We will remember those for whom we have held services in the last three years. If there is anyone else you would wish to be remembered, then please add the details to the lists at the back of the Church or email them to nswa9256@gmail.com

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ST LAURENCE CHURCH, WARBOROUGH

SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER

LAST 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

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

BIBLE READINGS

Deuteronomy 34.1–12

34 Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, ²all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, ³the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. ⁴The LORD said to him, 'This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, "I will give it to your descendants"; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.' ⁵Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD's command. ⁶He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. ⁷Moses was one hundred and twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour had not abated. ⁸The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab for thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. ⁹Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the

LORD had commanded Moses. ¹⁰ Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. ¹¹ He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, ¹² and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

1 Thessalonians 2.1–8

² You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, ² but though we had already suffered and been shamefully maltreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. ³ For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, ⁴ but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. ⁵ As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; ⁶ nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ⁷ though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. ⁸ So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Matthew 22.34–end

³⁴ When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵ and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶ ‘Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?’ ³⁷ He said to him, ‘ “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.” ³⁸ This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: “You shall love your neighbour as yourself.” ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.’ ⁴¹ Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: ⁴² ‘What do you think of the Messiah Whose son is he?’ They said to him, ‘The son of David.’ ⁴³ He said to them, ‘How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, ⁴⁴ “The Lord said to my Lord, ‘Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet’ ”? ⁴⁵ If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?’ ⁴⁶ No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

Heavenly Father, you call us to love you with all our heart, soul and mind, and to love our neighbours as ourselves. Hear us as we bring our prayers before you.

We pray for peace in places torn apart by war and conflict. Give wisdom and compassion to world leaders, courage to those working for reconciliation, and hope to all who live in fear. Help us to love our neighbours, even when they seem far away or different from us.

We pray for our villages and the communities in which we live and work. Bless all who serve others, our schools, local organisations and churches. Help us to notice those who feel lonely or excluded, to celebrate our differences, and to show our love for our neighbours through kindness, generosity and welcome.

In October, we pray for all those with ADHD, dyslexia and other forms of neurodivergence. Help us to understand and value the different ways people think, learn and experience the world. Give patience and understanding to families, teachers and carers, and help our churches and communities to be places where everyone is welcomed, valued and able to flourish.

We pray for all who are struggling with illness, anxiety, grief, financial hardship or difficult relationships. We remember those who feel forgotten, those who care for others, and those who find it hard to ask for help. May they know your loving presence, and may we be ready to respond to their needs with practical compassion.

Loving God, you have shown us that love of you and love of our neighbour belong together. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that we may follow Christ in our daily lives and reflect your love in all that we do.. **Amen**