The Greenway Benefice Sunday Sheet

Holy Trinity Badgeworth, St Paul's Shurdington, and St Mary's Witcombe with Bentham

(Sunday services, readings and prayers are on this sheet, please look in the Three in One for other news and notices)*

Sunday 29th November 2026

Advent Sunday



Today's Services:

Sunday 30th November Advent Sunday

10am Shurdington Primary School "Let's worship"

3pm Witcombe Village Hall Christingle

Collect

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 64.1–9

64 O that you would tear open the heavens and come
down, so that the mountains would quake at your
presence— 2 as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire
causes water to boil—to make your name known to your
adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your
presence! 3 When you did awesome deeds that we did
not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at
your presence. 4 From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides
you, who works for those who wait for him. 5 You meet
those who gladly do right, those who remember you in
your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed. 6 We have all
become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous
deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. 7 There is
no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold
of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have
delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. 8 Yet, O Lord,
you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our
potter; we are all the work of your hand. 9 Do not be
exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity
for ever. Now consider, we are all your people.

Psalm 80.1–8, 18–20

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, •
you that led Joseph like a flock;
2 Shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim, •
before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh.
3 Stir up your mighty strength •
and come to our salvation.
4 Turn us again, O God; •
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
5 O Lord God of hosts, •
how long will you be angry at your people's prayer?
6 You feed them with the bread of tears; •
you give them abundance of tears to drink.
7 You have made us the derision of our neighbours, •
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
8 Turn us again, O God of hosts; •
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
18 Let your hand be upon the man at your right hand, •
the son of man you made so strong for yourself.
19 And so will we not go back from you; •
give us life, and we shall call upon your name.
20 Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts; •
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

1 Corinthians 1.3–9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the
Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you
because of the grace of God that has been given you in
Christ Jesus, 5 for in every way you have been enriched in
him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— 6 just as
the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among
you— 7 so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as
you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. 8 He
will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be
blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is
faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his
Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Reading

Mark 13.24–end

‘But in those days, after that suffering,
the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its
light, [25] and the stars will be falling from heaven,
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.
[26] Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in clouds”
with great power and glory. [27] Then he will send out the
angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from
the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.
‘From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch
becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that
summer is near. [29] So also, when you see these things
taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates.
[30] Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until
all these things have taken place. [31] Heaven and earth
will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ‘But
about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels
in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. [33] Beware,
keep alert; for you do not know when the time will
come. [34] It is like a man going on a journey, when he
leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his
work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the
watch. [35] Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know
when the master of the house will come, in the evening,
or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, [36] or else he
may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. [37] And
what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’

ECO tip for November

As winter creeps in, homes are really important.
God calls us to give nature a home, too. Now’s the time to start feeding the birds again, and make room for hedgehogs to hibernate
More details in this month’s Three in One

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This week’s prayers

Please remember in your prayers:

- Those living in Wilson Road.
- Bell ringers, organists and all other musicians in our three churches
- We are also praying for the people of Ukraine and the Middle East, that they may freely live in peace.

Shurdington Primary School

We are continuing our school links, and we pray for the staff and pupils.

Our Frontline Prayer

We thank you, Heavenly Father, for the gift of this community. We commend one another to you on our different frontlines.
Wherever we are, whatever we do, whoever we are, may the Holy Spirit guide us in all things so that we may do God's will in the world, in the service of Jesus Christ and with great joy. Amen

In Church next week



Friday 4th December

9pm	St Mary’s	Night Prayer (by candlelight)

NB - we traditionally enter and leave in silence

Sunday 6th December 2nd Sunday in Advent

8am	St Paul’s	Holy Communion BCP
9:30am	St Paul's	Sunday Worship
11am	Holy Trinity	Sunday Worship
11am	St Mary's	Sunday Worship