

NOTICES

Parish Share meeting - Mon 4 Aug at 7pm in church: Our parish share is projected to reach £70,000 in the coming years, which has created a lot of anxieties. Rev. Liz, our Area Dean, is keen to meet with individual churches and form our opinions into a response to the diocese. All people with an opinion are welcome to attend this meeting in the church and express themselves in an open environment.

Inspired to Read Book group - Wed 6 Aug 6.30-7.30pm in church.
Book of the month: *Precipice* by Robert Harris.

Thinking Aloud - Thursday 7 Aug at 7pm: Our informal discussion group returns to the VICARAGE this week where the topic discussed shall be "God and other religions," our own Fr. Kevin will be helping to lead the discussion.

Guest Preacher: On Sunday 17 August we shall be joined by the Rev. Dr. Kirsty Borthwick as our guest preacher. Rev. Kirsty is the current chaplain of Christ Church College, Oxford and is excited to meet us all. Please bring family and friends for what will be an edifying sermon.

Anyone visiting Wimborne Minster over the holidays? Their pulpit is practically a copy of ours, so photos of the saints decorating their pulpit would help us to work up a repair suggestion to replace the broken heads from ours. Photos to Peter Connew, please.

Frome Foodbank: Demand remains high, with collection points in most supermarkets. All help gratefully received – thank you.

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SUNDAY 3 AUGUST 2025 - Seventh After Trinity

8.45am Morning Service via Zoom

10.00am Holy Communion

11.15am - 2pm Mini-market and Cafe

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Monday 4 August

8.45am Morning Prayer - Ken Chapel

7pm Parish Share discussion with Area Dean in church

Wednesday 6 August

6.30pm *Inspired to Read* Book Club in church

Thursday 7 August

7pm 'Thinking Aloud' group at the Vicarage

Friday 8 August

12.30pm Lunchtime Eucharist

Saturday 9 August

5.00pm First Eucharist of the Sunday

SUNDAY 10 AUGUST 2025 - Eighth After Trinity

8.45am Morning Service via Zoom

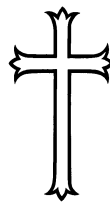
10.00am Holy Communion

5.00pm Benediction and Evening Prayer

Seventh after Trinity (Year C)

COLLECT:

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



FIRST READING: Hosea 11.1-11

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols. Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes. My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath.

They shall go after the Lord, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the Lord.

This is the word of the LORD, **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING: Colossians 3.1-11

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are

the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

This is the word of the LORD, **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL READING: Luke 12.13-21

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord

Someone in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.’ But he said to him, ‘Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?’ And he said to them, ‘Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.’

Then he told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.” But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

This is the Gospel of the LORD. **Praise to you, O Christ**

In our thoughts and prayers

Harry and Helene C; Marian R; Andrew B-S; The Lyall family; Derek; Mells, Postlebury and Hardington Vale Benefices in Vacancy

All those who need to sense the peace of God

Alison H & family; Sylvia K; Jim and Gina P; Hilary Daniel; Patrick M.

The friends and family of all those recently departed

Josephine Baker Revd Michael Belham; Lenore Humphreys