

PRAYERS: For your prayers this week.

Vocations and ministry:

We pray for all PCC members.

The sick:

Marianne, Kylie, Merry, Alex, David, Jackie, Nic, Babs, Russell and Lee, Dennis, Malcolm and Alan. All those in hospital, having treatment and waiting for test results and operations.

Those needing long term care and support: Pauline, Richard, those being cared for at home, the residents of Goatacre Manor Care Centre and other local care homes.

Those who have died:

We pray for Marianne Jones, Eileen Hughes, those we know and those we read about in the news.

We pray for all those who grieve.

Banns:

We pray for Caroline Phillips and David Skull whose banns are being read this month.

Special intentions (*This is for people who may have plans or hopes for which they would like our prayer support*)

We pray for the King and all the Royal family.

Eternal God, thank you for the communities of Sturminster Newton, Hinton St Mary and Lydlinch. We pray for your guidance on those who minister there.

In our prayers for our link diocese, we pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

We pray for our Benefice congregations, parishioners and our churches in this time of vacancy. We give thanks for those helping at this time.



21st September
Matthew



Clyffe Pypard Communion - 9am
Lyneham Communion - 10.30am
Tockenham Morning Prayer - 10.30am

Future services:

Sun 28 th Sept	Bradenstoke Hilmarton Broad Town	Communion - 9am All-Age Service - 10.30am Harvest Service - 11am <i>Followed by Harvest Brunch</i>
Weds 1 st Oct	Hilmarton	Communion - 2pm (48 Poynder Place)
Sun 5 th Oct	Clyffe Pypard Tockenham Lyneham	Communion - 9am Communion - 10.30am All-Age Service - 10.30am

Keep in touch by going to: www.achurchnearyou.com and searching for your parish church.

Using the Benefice of Lyneham and Woodhill Facebook page.

Getting your name added to the Benefice email list if it isn't already there – just email Elaine on beneficeofwoodhill@yahoo.co.uk and ask to be added.

COLLECT

O almighty God,
whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax-collector
to be an apostle and evangelist:
give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain
and the possessive love of riches
that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING: *Proverbs 3.13-18*

- ¹³Happy are those who find wisdom,
and those who get understanding,
¹⁴for her income is better than silver,
and her revenue better than gold.
¹⁵She is more precious than jewels,
and nothing you desire can compare with her.
¹⁶Long life is in her right hand;
in her left hand are riches and honour.
¹⁷Her ways are ways of pleasantness,
and all her paths are peace.
¹⁸She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her;
those who hold her fast are called happy.

GOSPEL: *Matthew 9.9-13*

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples.

¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' ¹²But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

POST COMMUNION

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.