



PARISH OF ST BARTHOLOMEW WESTHOUGHTON

St Bartholomew

St Thomas

St George

Sunday 1st September 2019 – Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am Holy Communion at St Thomas'

9.15am Holy Communion St Thomas'

Hymns: **A&M 595, 451, 787, 489**

9.15am Holy Communion at St George's

Hymns **As announced**

11.00am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

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** On the first week of the month we offer prayer for healing. If you would like the ministry of healing today, please come to the altar rail first at communion as directed **

Today: to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the outbreak of World War Two [3rd September 1939], there will be a quarter peal rung following the service. The peal before and after the service will be half-muffled.

- We welcome everyone to worship today; if this is your first time with us, please introduce yourselves to the clergy, wardens or sidespeople
- During the Administration of Holy Communion we keep silence or join with the singing of the communion hymns.
- Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them. Please mention this to the clergy before the service.
- There are large print service and hymn books available if you need them.
- Coffee is served after all the services (except the 8am service)
- There is an induction loop at St. Bartholomew's – please switch hearing aids to the "T" setting

We pray for:

Those who are ill: Irene Booth, Cassie Buono, Brian Cato, Joyce Cunliffe, Christopher Davies, Rev. Malcolm Edwards, Lisa Ginniff, Irene Halliwell, Jenny Harris, Mario Heaton, Mavis Heaton, Evelyn Hibbert, Edith Ibbotson, Patricia James, Ailsa Maddison, Eileen Marsh, Brian Mobey, James Tonge, James Wright,

Those who have died recently: Roland King

And on their anniversaries this week we remember: Anne Campbell, Harry Fairhurst, Phyllis Fitzpatrick, Mary Homer, Annie Gregory, Ilona Molyneux, Hilary Montgomery, Joyce Pemberton, Jeremiah Robinson-Todd, Joyce Ryley, Thomas Seddon, Alice Westhead, Matthew Whitfield.

This week: do help celebrate Leah Screeton's first birthday - there's a bouncy castle at Kirsty & Gareth's from 9:30am – 1pm

Wednesday 4th September: Holy Communion at St. Bartholomew's 10:00am.

Saturday 7th September: Wingates Men's Breakfast 9:00am at the Watergate [by junction 4 of the M61]. The guest speaker at this meeting is retired pharmacist, Stephen Freeborn with his talk entitled "Keep Taking the Tablets."

COMING UP:

Organ Recital at St. Bart's on Saturday 5th October at 7:30pm. Free entry & refreshments served.

St. George's are running their stewardship £5 challenge for summer. If you wish to take part, please collect your £5 and using your skills and talents "grow it" over the summer. We'll be collecting the proceeds at next week's service on 8th September.

Pilgrim Course - The Eucharist.

Starting on **Tuesday 10th September** at 7.30 pm and running fortnightly at St John's Wingates, this course is for all who want to grow in their Christian understanding.

The Eucharist is celebrated by Christians all over the world as a memorial of Christ's saving passion and resurrection. 'Do this in remembrance of me', says Jesus and for 2000 years Christians have faithfully obeyed this command. The Eucharist is an important part of Christian worship. The course explores this and how Christians know and worship God.

McMillan Coffee Morning – Friday 27th September
10am – 1pm in St Bartholomew's. All contributions welcome.

Committee Meetings in September:

Monday 9th St. Bart's committee at 7:00pm followed by the PCC at 7:30pm both at St. Bart's church

Tuesday 17th St. Thomas' committee at St. Thomas'

Monday 23rd St. George's committee at St. Bart's church

During September, we have a student on placement in the team, Layfetta Masih, who is an ordinand starting her second and final year at St Mellitus college in Liverpool.

Heritage Week: - see leaflets in our churches

St. James' Daisy Hill have a programme of events from Tuesday 17th – Sunday 22nd September, including **Weds 18th 7:30pm:** "Icons – Prayers without Words" – a talk given by Glenys Latham

Sat 21st 11:00am – Coffee Concert featuring Alex Thomas on trumpet followed by tea/coffee & cakes

Sun 22nd 2:00pm "Historic Daisy Hill" – a talk by members of the Local History Group

St. Katharine's are also planning an Open Day on Saturday 14th September to coincide with the Tour of Britain Cycle Race passing through Blackrod.

Communication Task and Finish Group: Part of our Mission Action Plan was to review our current methods of communication across the parish, what we currently have and looking at any missing areas. Therefore I am looking for a group of people (with ideally a representation from each church) to come together for just a few meetings to go through this process. If you are interested or want any more information please speak to Rev Kirsty. (*first meeting mid Sept*)

Café Church starts again 11th / 12th September – see flyers.



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The Collect:

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

First Reading: Proverbs 25. 6 - 7

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great;
⁷for it is better to be told, 'Come up here', than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

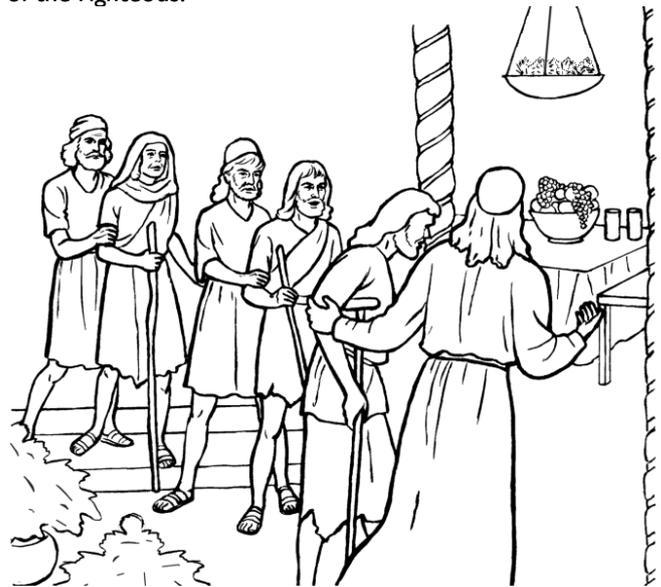
New Testament Reading: Hebrews 13. 1-8, 15-16

¹Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' ⁶So we can say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?' ⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever.
¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name.
¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 14. 1,7-14

¹On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.
⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. ⁸'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this

person your place," and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.' ¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'



Post Communion:

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Next Sunday: The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: Deuteronomy 30. 15-end / Philemon 1-21 / Luke 14. 25-33

8.00am	St Bartholomew's	Holy Communion	Rev'd Carol Pharaoh
9.15am	St Thomas'	Holy Communion	Rev'd Angela Wynne
9.15am	St George's	Holy Communion & Stewardship	Rev'd Carol Pharaoh
11.00am	St Bartholomew's	Holy Communion	Rev'd Kirsty Screeton

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