



## No Service at 8am 10am Holy Communion, in Church

*Come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments in the WCC after the 10am service*

### Collect for The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### A Psalm for today, Psalm 34. 1-8

*Refrain: O taste and see that the Lord is gracious.*

I will bless the Lord at all times;  
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

My soul shall glory in the Lord;  
let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me;  
let us exalt his name together.

I sought the Lord and he answered me  
and delivered me from all my fears.

Look upon him and be radiant  
and your faces shall not be ashamed. [R]

This poor soul cried, and the Lord heard me  
and saved me from all my troubles.

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him  
and delivers them.

O taste and see that the Lord is gracious;  
blessed is the one who trusts in him. [R]

*Send your holy angels to watch over us, O God,  
that on our lips will be found your truth and in our hearts your love;  
so we may ever taste your goodness in the land of the living;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### An anthem for today, Love divine, all loves excelling

**Howard Goodall (b. 1958) Text, Charles Wesley**

The text may be found in your hymn books: Hymn 721.

### A Gospel reading for today, John 6. 35, 41-51

Jesus said to the crowd, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

### CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

**Come and share our short session for children and young people during our Sunday 10am service EVERY WEEK!**

We invite children of all ages, with their adults, to come into the Lady Chapel during part of the service, and share in A Godly Play (a short visual storytelling of scriptures, with wondering questions, stories, crafts, puzzles, and even some acting for those that want ... for all ages to share together; then various age related activities).

**We also have an older group breakout session most weeks.** Today, we continue the theme of God's Champions as we share in the Olympics excitement: we learn about Ezra and think about leadership (*Ezra 7; Nehemiah 8. 1-10*).

Our [Children & Young People](#) website page has loads of activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus.

**Our young person's choir** - If your child is 7 or over and interested in joining, please contact Nathan Collins ([stmichaelsbdom@gmail.com](mailto:stmichaelsbdom@gmail.com)) We will also be starting choral and organ scholarships for our young people and welcome the support of those who would like to help contribute to these.



Last Sunday we began a short series on God's Champions, with a session on Miriam (*Exodus 15. 19-21*); as she encourages us to celebrate success and have fun praising God together for who he is and what he has done. We talked about our favourite champions in the Olympics then discussed what we knew about Moses' story and learned about Miriam's role before making tambourines to praise God.



# Newsletter and Notices



**The church is open each day, from early morning to mid afternoon.**  
*An opportunity to spend some comforting time in prayer, peace and reflection.*

**Holy Communion, Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August, 10am** – A service of Holy Communion, in church. Refreshments after the service are held in the WCC.

**Tiny Tots, Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August, from 10:45 for 11:15am** – Worship for babies/toddlers; with a story, singing and instruments too! Join us for refreshments, fellowship and a chance for the children to play beforehand in the WCC, if you can. **We gather in the WCC and walk across to the Lady Chapel at 11:15am for a short worship.**

**Prayers for our Community, Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August, 9:30am** – A half hour session of informal prayer. All welcome.

**Quiet Days in Albury, next on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August** – These popular days of reflection and contemplation in June's home have returned. Places are limited, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**Forthcoming 8am services** – We'll celebrate Holy Communion at 8am on Sundays 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> September (Michaelmas), and 6<sup>th</sup> October (Harvest).

**Baptism of Mikey Smith** – Heather and Justin warmly invite any members of the congregation who wish to join with them, for Mikey's baptism, on **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September at 12:30pm.**

**The Children's Society** – Thank you so much to everyone who has handed in their collecting boxes. The total so far is an amazing £712.61. If you still have a box to hand in, please contact Carole Macdonald (07766 029329)

### Giving Season

Please can financial responses be given to the Parish Office, or placed in the post box in the corner of the North Porch.

Reponses of Time and Talents can be made by signing up on the sheets in the Church Publicity Area or the WCC Charnley Hall. Thank you for responses which have already begun to come in. If you haven't received a Giving Season letter, please do pick up one of the general 'Giving Season' envelopes and consider its message. Thank you hugely for thinking and praying about all the ways in which we can, together, resource and contribute to our Church. Derwyn.

**Our craft group meets on alternate Mondays in the WCC from 10am to 12noon, next on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.** All welcome! We sometimes bring along our own current crafting hobby and sometimes one of the group shares a craft. In the past we have done sewing, knitting, crochet, paper crafts, macramé and book folding. We usually prepare items for sale at the annual St Michael's Church Holly Fair (all proceeds of which go to local, national and international charities).

**Holly Fair preparation meeting, Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September, 7:30pm, WCC** – This year **the Holly Fair will be 7<sup>th</sup> December 10am-1pm**, to coincide with the town Christmas Fayre. As well as people who are happy to run stalls, we would welcome anyone to the meetings with ideas on publicity and anyone who would like to take a role in the overall organisation. If you are happy to run your stall but unable to come to the meeting please let us know. Thanks from Val A, Carole M, Mireille B, Claire C and the rest of Charities Support Group.

**No TLC in September, next meeting Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October in the WCC, 2:15pm for 2:30pm** – Join tea and talk and a regular 10/15 minute presentation on wide ranging interests.

**Fundraising for benches for WCC garden** – by the time you read this, we should have nearly completed our backpacking challenge along the South Downs Way, from Winchester to Eastbourne: a distance of over 100 miles and total ascent of 10,500 feet. Usually completed in 9/10 days, we're aiming to finish it in 5 days. We'll certainly be making use of benches along the way and would love to raise money towards (recycled plastic) benches for our WCC Garden. Pledges gratefully received (please sign the sheet in the Publicity Area; donations to PCC labelled 'benches'). Huge thanks, Katharine & David Stanley.

Details of all services and events are available on the [Calendar](#) page on our website.  
Do follow us on Social Media too, for regular updates.

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