



# NEWS for the PEW'S & readings for

18th August 2019

The Ninth Sunday  
After Trinity

Welcome  
to today's Services  
in the Canalside Benefice,  
especially if you  
are visiting us or are  
here for the first time

**9.30am: HOLY  
COMMUNION  
at St George's  
led by John**

**10am: COMMUNION  
at St Michael's  
led by Ivor & Joy**

**4pm: WORSHIP  
and BARBECUE  
at St Mary Magdalen's  
led by John & Anne**

## The Collect

Gracious Father,  
revive your Church in our day,  
and make her holy, strong and faithful,  
for your glory's sake  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## First Reading: Hebrews 11.29-12.2

<sup>29</sup> By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. <sup>30</sup> By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup> By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

<sup>32</sup> And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— <sup>33</sup> who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup> quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. <sup>35</sup> Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. <sup>36</sup> Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup> They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— <sup>38</sup> of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in

caves and holes in the ground. <sup>39</sup> Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup> since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect. **12** Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup> looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## The Gospel: Luke 12.49-56

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>49</sup> Jesus said 'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup> I have a baptism with which to be baptised, and what stress I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup> Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather

division! <sup>52</sup> From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup> they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.' <sup>54</sup> He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. <sup>55</sup> And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and it happens. <sup>56</sup> You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you O Christ.**

## Post Communion Prayer

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Prayer Requests

It is important that we pray for all those who seek our support. As well as praying in our churches we also include below the names of those who would like us to pray for them when we are at home. Please use the prayer request form in church to let us know of people to be prayed for or send an email to Michael. Please ensure that you have their permission to publish. This week we pray for...

<i>Barbara &amp; David Tucker</i>	<i>Jim Banks</i>	<i>Ray Fairclough</i>
<i>Barbara Moyce</i>	<i>Kim Balecke</i>	<i>Rob Dewsbury</i>
<i>Cynthia Hayhurst</i>	<i>Marilyn Stubbs</i>	<i>Susie Goold</i>
<i>Doreen</i>	<i>Mike Aldridge</i>	<i>Val Lovell</i>
<i>Doris Mitchell</i>	<i>Pat Belben</i>	
<i>Ewa (Eva)</i>	<i>Pauline Burbage</i>	

We remember all those who we have loved and lost and we pray for all those who are grieving at this time. In particular today please pray for the family of Captain Brian McAree whose funeral will be held at St Michael's next Friday.

## NEWS FOR THE PEWS

### Ride and Stride

This is an annual national sponsored event raising funds for churches. In Wiltshire the event has raised £1.37m for local churches since 1984. 50% of the money raised goes to the participant's chosen church and the other half to the Historic Churches Trust. This year's event takes place on Saturday 14th September from 1000-1800. Participants cycle or walk to as many churches as possible during the day and seek sponsors for doing so. If you would like to take part please contact Michael for sponsor forms etc. We also need people to be at each church to sign sponsor forms as people arrive and there is a sign up sheet at back of church today.

### Book of Remembrance

Did you know that there is a Book of Remembrance at St Michael's? It is a beautiful leather bound book given in memory of Vicky Hunt who died in 2005. Inside the book the names of loved ones are entered by a calligrapher showing their full name, their date of birth and date of death. At the moment the book is kept in the safe but in the near future the intention is that the book will be displayed in a specially made cabinet. Each month the page will be turned to show the names of those who passed away in that month over the years. If you would like to remember someone in this way please see Elizabeth Holyoake and she will give you a form to complete with the necessary details. The cost for each entry in the book is £40.

### Your help is needed....

- Please don't forget that we are looking for help in the following areas.....

An Open the Book co-ordinator and help with refreshments at Messy Church in Hilperton. If you can help us with any of these roles please speak to John or Anne.

### Storehouse Food Bank: Update

The most needed items this week are:- Tinned fruit, vegetables & meats, & jams.

### Saturday 7th September @ St Katharine's Holt

An up and coming event you may wish to attend. 10am-4pm St. Katharine's, Holt. David Cole of Waymark Ministries will be talking in healing from the perspective of the Christian Contemplative and Mystic tradition, and 'Celtic' Christianity. Please bring a packed lunch, refreshments will be provided. No charge but a gift on arrival would be appreciated. If you would like anymore information see Marilyn.

### Mark's Gospel with Gerald Osborne

Tuesday 24th September 7.30pm St Katharine's Church, Holt

Mark's Gospel is a fast-paced, directly written, story, so it's an exciting listen for people of any religious viewpoint or none. Gerald spent 3 years memorising the Gospel. In the performance St Mark dictates his gospel to a pagan Roman scribe. Free entry: all welcome. Interval refreshments. Donations for "Send a Cow" John has seen one of Gerald's productions and says it is was excellent and he highly recommends it.

## THIS WEEK IN THE BENEFICE

<b>Tu</b>	<b>20th</b>	<b>0830</b>	Morning Prayer at St Mary Magdalen's
<b>W</b>	<b>21st</b>	<b>0900 1000 1930</b>	Morning Prayer at St Michael's Communion and Coffee at St Michael's Bible Course at the Rectory
<b>Th</b>	<b>22nd</b>	<b>0945</b>	Morning Prayer at St George's
<b>F</b>	<b>23rd</b>	<b>1230</b>	Funeral of Captain Brian McAree at St Michael's
<b>Su</b>	<b>25th</b>	<b>0930 1000 1145</b>	Morning Worship at St George's Holy Communion at St Michael's Baptism of Edward Key-Epps at St Michael's

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