

CHURCH OF ST BENEDICT BISCOP and THE CHURCH OF THE VENERABLE BEDE



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The Fifth Sunday after Trinity – 21st July 2019

WELCOME

If you have come to a communion service and you are accustomed to receive in your own church or chapel, you are very welcome at our altar. If you are not a communicant member of a church but would like an individual blessing, please bring a service booklet to the altar rail at the time of communion.

CHURCH OF ST. BENEDICT BISCOP

	Hymns
8.00am Holy Communion (said)	593
10.30am Parish Communion	702
3.00pm Holy Baptism	806
Sunday Club: 10.15am at the Hand-in-Hand	464 c
Lay Assistants (8) Carol Porter (10.30) Mark Jarvis, David Crathorne	421 c
Servers (10.30) James Turner, Martin Willetts (Afternoon baptisms)	814
Laurie Gainer	
Sides (8) Tony & Veronica Bridgewater (10.30) David & Chris Crathorne, Keith Whittaker, Olwyn Grainger	
Offertory Ann Waldron	Intercession Angela Pickering
OT Lesson Mike Frost NT Lesson Maureen Boyce	Gospel Joan Parker
<i>Please join us for coffee after the 10.30am service</i>	

CHURCH OF THE VENERABLE BEDE

9.00am Parish Communion	
Lay Assistant Peter Cartwright	Intercession Laurie Gainer
Sides Carol & Dave Godwin	
OT or NT Lesson David Boucher	Gospel Clergy
<i>Please join us for coffee after the service</i>	

There is no Sunday Club on Sunday 28th July and Sunday 4th August due to holidays.

Collect

Almighty God,
send down upon your Church
the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Old Testament Lesson Genesis 18:1-10a (NRSV)

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on - since you have come to your servant.'

So they said, 'Do as you have said.'

And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.'

Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.'

Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.'

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson Colossians 1:15-28 (NRSV)

Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven.

I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia. I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord. No one comes to the Father except through me. All: Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 10:38-42 (NRSV)

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Now as Jesus and his disciples went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying.

But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to Jesus and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.'

But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, O Christ.

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning Prayer Monday to Saturday **9.00am** at St Benedict's

(Wednesday: prayer for individuals on sick list)

Holy Communion 9.30am Tuesday at St Benedict's

11.00am Thursday at the Venerable Bede

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY, 28TH JULY 2019 – TRINITY 6

St Benedict's: 8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Communion

The Venerable Bede: 9.00am Parish Communion

No Sunday Club: due to holidays

Marketing our Church events and activities

We are currently looking at the feasibility of establishing a Marketing Committee/Unit that would be responsible for marketing all our festivals, events, children's activities, and special services. If you are interested in becoming involved with this possible new initiative, especially if you have marketing experience, then please contact a Churchwarden for further details.

Thursday lunch on 11th July raised £200 for Church Funds. Thank you to everyone.

PLEASE TAKE THIS NOTICE SHEET HOME AND PRAY WITH US

Pray that we may allow ourselves to choose “the better part.”

*“There is need for only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part. Luke 10: 42a
(NRSV)*

Some people are perpetually busy. Pray that we may always find time to listen to Jesus and to learn about his kingdom through reading, prayer and conversation. Pray that we will then find the things we need to do to enable that kingdom to grow.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those to be baptised this afternoon: Ivy Lyn Nicholls and Evelyn Louise Perkins.

Those to be married this week: George Warren Crockford & Jade Christina Barham, and Samuel John Woodhall & Rebecca Elizabeth Lockley.

Those who have asked for our prayers: Sarah Stephenson, Michael Waldron, Lisa, Rosemary, Mark Cooper, Beryl Sadler, Ann Aldridge, Pete Dyson and William.

Those who have died recently and their families: Tony Hearne, Richard Edwards, Yvonne Baugh, Anthony Spiller, Michael Leach and Doris Walters.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

	<i>9.00am Monday to Saturday - Morning Prayer at St Benedict's</i>
Mon 22	Mary Magdalene 9.30am Team Morning Prayer at Trysull No Little Fish at St Benedict's 8.00-9.30pm Bell Ringers meet
Tue 23	9.30am Holy Communion at St Benedict's
Wed 24	9.00am Morning Prayer with special prayers for the sick – St Benedict's
Thurs 25	James the Apostle 11.00am Holy Communion at the Venerable Bede 1.00pm Richard Edwards funeral in church SJW 1.30pm Tony Hearne's funeral at Gornal Wood Crematorium
Fri 26	12 noon George Crockford & Jade Barham marry at St Benedict's o c b SJW 2.30pm Anthony Spiller's funeral in church JMK 7.00pm Choir practice at St Benedict's
Sat 27	12 noon Samuel Woodhall & Rebecca Lockley marry at St Benedict's o b SJW

Prayer Group

We will be starting a mid week prayer group on the last Tuesday of September. It will be in church and will last for no more than an hour. Please ask the Revd Sue Watson for more information.

Little Fish Summer Specials at St Benedict's—10.30-11.30am on Tuesdays 6th, 13th and 20th August.

Holiday workshops for children 4-11 years at the Venerable Bede—2 - 4pm on Wednesdays 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th August . £2 per session.

For more information and to reserve your place please contact Sarah on 07702 376 169 or email sarah@stbenedictbiscop.org.uk

Sarah is looking for helpers at these events. If you can help please contact her a.s.a.p.