

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

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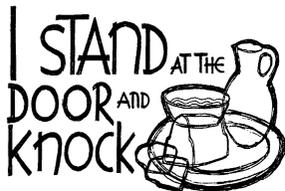
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Seventh Sunday after Trinity – 4th August 2019

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

8.00am Holy Communion (said) 10.30am Parish Communion Hymns

6.30pm Evensong 584

No Sunday Club due to holidays 386

Lay Assistants (8) Bryan Johns (10.30) Heather Yeates, Joy Waistell 595

Servers (10.30) Janet Lailey, Colin Prior 711 c

Sides (8) Caterina & Richard Gilbert (10.30) Joan Parker, Barbara Hilditch, 423 c

Geoff & Annette Truby 715

Offertory Frank & Pauline Haycock Intercession Nigel Welch

OT Lesson Shirley Wall NT Lesson Christina Forder Blakeman Gospel Martin Garrington

EVENSONG First reading Genesis 50:4-14 (NIV p.56) Carol Porter

Second reading 1 Corinthians 14:1-19 (NIV p.1154) Angela Pickering

Officiant Laurie Gainer Sides Carol Porter

Please join us for coffee after the 10.30am service

CHURCH OF THE VENERABLE BEDE

9.00am Parish Communion and ministry of healing

Lay Assistant Laurie Gainer (healing) Laurie Gainer Intercession Clergy

Sides Meryl Thomas, David Boucher

OT or NT Lesson Peter Cartwright Gospel Clergy

Please join us for coffee after the service

Revd Preb James Makepeace is our celebrant and preacher this morning

Collect

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson Ecclesiastes 1:2,12-14 2:18-23(NRSV)

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind. I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me - and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labours under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

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

New Testament Lesson Colossians 3:1-11 (NRSV)

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life.

But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all! *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 12:13-21 (NRSV)
All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.'

But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to the crowd, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.'

Then he told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’”

But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

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, 11TH AUGUST 2019 – TRINITY 8

St Benedict’s: 8.00am Holy Communion 10.30am Parish Communion

3.00 & 4.00pm Holy Baptism 7.00pm Taizé Prayer

The Venerable Bede: 9.00am Parish Communion

Sunday Club: 10.15am - Hand-in-Hand

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.

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.

PLEASE TAKE THIS NOTICE SHEET HOME AND PRAY WITH US

Pray for protection against greed

Jesus said, "One's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions."

Luke 12:15b (NRSV)

Pray that we may not be tempted to acquire "stuff" simply because other people do. Pray for wisdom to spend wisely and to be generous in our use of whatever wealth we may have. Pray that we may learn the meaning of true riches.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who have asked for our prayers: Sarah Stephenson, Michael Waldron, Lisa, Rosemary, Mark Cooper, Beryl Sadler, Ann Aldridge, William, Heather Gent, Charmaine Host, Maureen Gaskin, George Moorhouse and Robert Brooks

Those who have died recently and their families: Yvonne Baugh, Michael Leach, Doris Walters, Simeon Shakespeare, Jennifer Rea, Alan Thelwell and Ted Aldhous.

If you, or one of your family or a friend would like visiting by the clergy or prayers to be said in connection with any matter which is causing anxiety, such as illness, bereavement or a moment of crisis, please contact the Rector.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

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

Mon 5	8.00-9.30pm Bell Ringers meet
Tue 6	The Transfiguration 9.30am Holy Communion at St Benedict's 10.30-11.30am Little Fish summer special at St Benedict's (see below) 8.00pm Baptism preparation at the Wombourne Institute
Wed 7	9.00am Morning Prayer with special prayers for the sick – St Benedict's 2.00-4.00pm Holiday Workshop at the Venerable Bede (see below)
Thurs 8	11.00am Holy Communion at the Venerable Bede
Fri 9	No Choir practice at St Benedict's

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.