

Please remember in your prayers

Pray for those who are not well at this time and pray for the souls of the recently departed, may they rest in peace.



We need help!

Please let us know if you are interested in helping with the **Sunday Club** in September or helping with the DCC minutes.

Simon, Janet or Mike

TWAM (Tools with a Mission)

Over many years we, as a congregation, have filled **Scholar Packs** for TWAM. They are no longer providing the folders but will accept them if you wish to provide them. They need to include an A4 writing pad, pencils, coloured crayons pencils, geometry set, rubber, ruler, sharpener and small calculator plus £2 towards carriage.

This year TWAM are asking for gifts of £7 using the donation slip I have copied and put on the back cupboard. (If you Gift Aid you need to include your name and address.)

You can send your donation, or I will, if asked to.

Rosemary

Parish Picnic – TODAY!

12noon Sunday 8th July, Lower Green (in St. Michael's if wet). It is also Cath Leighton's first Sunday following her ordination, so it will also be a chance to welcome her to the parish.

Worship Consultation

Please return your consultation document to Simon, Janet or Mike by next Sunday (15th July)

DCC Meeting

Tuesday 17th July after the 7pm Eucharist

Friends of Bilbrook

As we humans are enjoying the sunshine the Himalayan Balsam plants down by the Bilbrook wildlife areas of Jubilee Wood and Moatbrook are also thriving in the warmer days. There are fewer plants than in previous years. However, this highly invasive plant still has a foothold and will continue to spread out of control unless we pull as many out as we can each year. Friends of Bilbrook are asking for your help to pull a few of these plants out each time you walk by the brook. Alternatively, you can join us in pre-organised Balsam Bash events on July 13th and 18th starting at 10am from Bilbrook Village Hall car park.

Vintage Tea Party - Tea and live music

Sunday 22nd July 2.30pm – 5pm Tickets:£6 from Trish (07720611189) or Carole (844461)

Missionary Giving

Each year we donate £500 on behalf of Holy Cross Church. Please let Jill, Janet, Andrea or Mike know of any causes that you would like us to support this year.



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(10am-12noon Monday-Friday)



Sunday 8th July

Trinity 6

10.30am Sunday Club

10.45am Sung Eucharist

(Celebrant: Revd Allen Roberts)

Coffee/Tea will be served at the back of church after the 10.45am Eucharist.

Please stay and join us.

12noon Parish Picnic

Hymns for Sung Eucharist

Introit: **532** We have a Gospel to proclaim

Gradual: **120** Father hear the prayer we offer (Sussex)

Offertory: **296** Let all the world in every corner sing

Communion: **34** A new commandment

313 Lord of all hopefulness

Recessional: **380** O Lord my God

This Week

Mon	9	
Tues	10	2pm Craft Group 7pm Eucharist
Wed	11	6.30pm Friendship Club
Thur	12	9.30am Eucharist 10am Coffee Pop-In
Fri	13	12noon Eucharist
Sat	14	10am Place of Welcome
Sun	15	8am Eucharist 10.30am Sunday Club 10.45am Sung Eucharist

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

COLLECT

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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 forever.

FIRST READING Ezekiel 2.1–5

A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel.

The heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God. When I saw this, I fell on my face, and I heard the voice of someone speaking. He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 12.2–10

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows – was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL Mark 6.1–13

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ

POST COMMUNION

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sunday 8th July 10.45am

Welcomers: Jean H, Gill

Reader: Mike

Prayers: Carole

Offertory: June, Rita, Mary

Assist: Mike, Mark

Pebble Pool: Janet

Sunday 15th July 8am

Sides, Reader, Offertory, Assist: Janet

Sunday 15th July 10.45am

Welcomers: Mary, Victor

Reader: Mark

Prayers: Jo

Offertory: Sheila, Gill, Victor

Assist: Carole, Rebecca

Pebble Pool: Mike