

THE LINK
SUNDAY 25TH JULY 2021
TRINITY 8

A warm welcome to everyone whether you are regular or visiting and to those on Zoom.

COLLECT.

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

NEW TESTAMENT: Ephesians 3.14-end

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

This is the word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL: John 6.1-21

Alleluia, alleluia. We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

All **Alleluia.**

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

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias.* A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?'⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages* would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they* sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

This is the Gospel of the Lord:

All **Praise to you, O Christ**

PRAYERS:

We pray for our communities and in particular this week all the people who live on: Grange View, Greenwood Avenue, Garsdale Court and Greenwood Crescent

We pray for those who are sick or in need: Jean Wilson, Margaret Pinkney, Stephen, Jessica, Wendy Hilling, Sandra and Ian, Janet, Lisa Toner.

We hold before God those who have recently died and pray for their families and friends: Rene Bland, Colin Hall, Peter Lawrence, Wilfrid Casson.

From our book of remembrance, we remember in prayer: William Sanderson, Doris Collison, Elizabeth Mary Gallagher, Mary Gillam.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever and ever..

All: Amen

NOTICES.

N.B. We continue to have all services and activities in Church with high levels of protection. Sanitising on entry, wearing a mask, register with the Welcome Team, observe social distancing.

25th July 10.30. Holy Trinity in Church and on Zoom. Communion Service. Archdeacon David Picken.

25th July 10.30 St Mark's Morning Prayers

26th July in Bollington. Rev Nancy Goodrich will be licenced and become their vicar. Please remember her, Nigel, Florence and Lily in your prayers.

27th July. 7.00pm Holy Trinity. Archdeacon David Picken meeting with the PCC to progress the process of the vacancy.

28th July 10.30am. Holy Trinity. Service of Communion in church and on Zoom with Rev.Dr. Prof. Helen Letharard

29th July 10.00 - 11.00am Thursday Workshop on Zoom

1st August 10.30am Holy Trinity Communion Service In church and on Zoom. Rev Canon Grant Ashton


1st August 10.30am St Mark's Morning Prayer

More details about all our services can be found in the Parish Calendar on the website.

Latest articles in "The Messenger" on the Website

- [Prayer During the Vacancy](#)
- [Readings for July](#)
- [Good News from St Mark's](#)
- [Looking Back - The Messenger 10 Years Ago](#)

Flowers in Church.

Would you like flowers in church in remembrance of someone? See the list on the notice board with contact numbers. 

Giving to Church:

We now have a contactless giving box at the back of church on the right hand side of the doors as you leave.

Most people pledge to give regularly and generously directly through their bank. To do this our bank account details are: Bolton-le-Sands PCC, Natwest Morecambe:
sort code: 01 01 60 a/c number: 94801703.

Please let me have anything to go in the link by Wednesday. Email; parishbbsnews@parishbbs.co.uk.