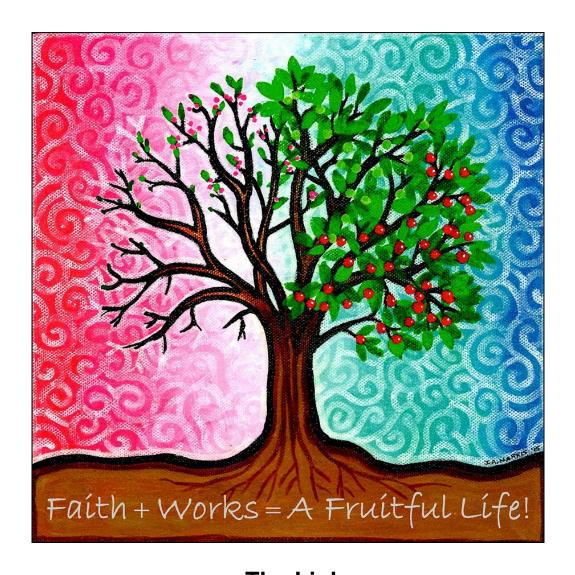




& ST MARK'S NETHER KELLET



The Link Sunday, 20th August, 2023 Eleventh Sunday After Trinity

St Mark's 9am - Holy Communion Holy Trinity 10.30am - Morning Praise

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HYMNS (NEW HYMNS AND WORSHIP):

- -As we are Gathered
- -Be still for the presence of the Lord
- -What a friend we have in Jesus
- -Lord the Light of your love (Shine Jesus shine)

COLLECT:

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from entering your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. **All: Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

Today's reading is from the letters of **James**.

James 2:14-18

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

But someone will say, 'You have faith and I have works.' Show me your faith without works, and I by my works will show you my faith.

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

GOSPEL:

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

All: Glory to you, O lord.

Matthew 25:31-46

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you

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visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

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

PRAYERS:

We pray for our communities and in particular those living on: Main Road Bolton-le-Sands, Main Road Nether Kellet, Meadow Drive, Meadowcroft and Merefell Road.

We pray for those who are sick or in need:Roz, Harry, Rodney, Peter, Helen, Wendy Hilling & Elizabeth.

We pray for the family and friends of Michael Duckett, Nigel, Dr Roger Docton, Alexandra Fyfe, Lesley Rimmer, Ron Moore, and Joan Noice, who have recently died.

From our book of remembrance, we remember in prayer: George Robert Alexander, Phoebe Marian Daniells, Robert Irving (Bobby) Cooper, Lloyd Tose and Jean Tose.

<u>POST COMMUNION PRAYER (Where Applicable):</u>

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm of the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **All: Amen.**

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Notices and Announcements



Goodbye but not forgotten: Wendy, Peter and Carmen are moving back to Devon. We are sorry to see them leave but wish them every blessing in their new home.

Flowers in Church : The flowers at the book of Remembrance are in Loving Memory of George Robert Alexander.

Material ProofOur Upcoming Services and Events

Monday, 21st August, 11.30am: Funeral for the late Mike Duckett

Wednesday, 23rd August, 10am: Wednesday Communion Service, Holy Trinity

Friday, 25th August, 8pm: Mens Intensive Care Meeting, The Blue Anchor Hotel.

Sunday, 27th August, 9am: Sunday Service, St Mark's

Sunday, 27th August, 10.30am: Sunday Communion Service Holy Trinity and on Zoom

Wednesday, 30th August, 10am: Wednesday Communion Service, Holy Trinity.

Friday, 1st September, 7pm: First Friday Service, Holy Trinity.

Sunday, 3rd September, 9am: Holy Communion Service, St Mark's

Sunday, 3rd September,10.30am: Family Communion Service, Holy Trinity and on Zoom.

Sunday, 3rd September, 12.15pm: Christening of Reid Gallagher

Save the Date:

Thursday, 7th September: Church Coffee Morning. 9.45 to 11.15 at Community Centre. Volunteers needed to help on the day. Raffle prizes, saleable items and baking all gratefully received. Collecting box at back of church. Contact Helen 07866629041.

Sunday, 8th October: Parish Harvest Lunch.

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