

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy.

Continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

2 Timothy 3.14 – 4.5

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

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

Luke 18.1–8



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SUNDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2022

18th SUNDAY after TRINITY



Collect

God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day with confidence
in the salvation which is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Post Communion

We praise and thank you, O Christ,
for this sacred feast:
for here we receive you, here the memory
of your passion is renewed,
here our minds are filled with grace,
and here a pledge of future glory is given,
when we shall feast at the table
where you reign with all your saints for ever.

Amen.

SUNDAY 16th OCTOBER

READINGS

2 Timothy 3.14-4.5; Luke 18.1-8

8am Said Holy Communion (BCP)

**10am Parish Eucharist
with Junior /Senior Church**

HYMNS: 537, 202, 310,403

Green / World Prayer

*A Christian prayer
in union with creation Part 2*

Holy Spirit,
by your light you guide this world
towards the Father's love
and accompany creation
as it groans in travail.
You also dwell in our hearts
and you inspire us
to do what is good.
Praise be to you!

Amen.

From Pope Francis' Laudato Si

SUNDAY 16th OCTOBER

11.15am Confirmation Group

6.30pm Sung Evensong (BCP)

READINGS

Nehemiah 8.9-end; John 16.1-11

HYMNS: 190, 599, 465

Psalm 149

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Those who are ill or in need: Wendy Rafferty;
George Greenshields; Margaret Thornton

Those who have died: Ken Price, Henry Roche,
Diana Wyndham-Smith, John Freeman

Those whose anniversary falls at this time:
Selwyn Rocksborough Smith (2002); Henry
Brazier (1993)

Link Parish of St Francis of Assisi, Barham
Green, Zimbabwe.

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY 18 8pm Social Committee at Tish's

WEDNESDAY 19 OCTOBER

9.15am Toddler Group in hall

THURSDAY 20 8pm PCC in the Truman Room

SUNDAY 23rd OCTOBER – TRINITY 19

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

6.30pm Sung Evensong (BCP)

ECO-FRIENDLY WILDFLOWER GARDEN Do explore the south side of the church hall where there is a wildflower meadow. The border on the south fence was planted this year with wildflower seeds by Karen Chinn. There is a good mixture and over the summer it flowered very well. The border next to the hall was planted with seeds from King's College Cambridge. The college had replanted part of their back lawn to encourage diversity and in the autumn, it is cut by horses. We hope our border will grow again next year. The flowers are friendly for bees. We hope you enjoy it.

ECO CHURCH SPECIAL EDITION OF PARISH NEWS- Please take a copy of the magazine that celebrates our Silver Eco Church Award. At the back of church and the cross aisle. Suggested donation £2.50.

THANK YOU to everyone who gave money or contributed goods for the Harvest Festival. £140 was raised for MIND from the cake sale. Thank you too to Lucy and Ian Christie for their rubbish sermon and quiz!

TOGETHER ON THURSDAYS will be on **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27 at 3pm** with tea and cake in the Hall. You will be very welcome to join us. Please sign the list in church. If you need a lift, please indicate.

PARISH GIVING SCHEME: We would like to thank those who have joined the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). At the end of September the report shows that around 40% of existing donors had changed to the scheme. We hope more will join this month. We do ask those who have not yet joined, to sign up as it helps our cash flow and reduces the workload on Lynda Coleman. Please be aware that within 10 working days of joining you will receive a letter confirming the date of your first gift. Please do not cancel any existing donations until you first payment has been collected. If you have any queries please do speak to Lynda Coleman.

SERVICE FOR ALL SOULS: As usual, on **Sunday 13th November**, we will be offering a service to remember and give thanks for those who have died, **at 6.30pm in church**. If you would like someone to be remembered by name, please add that name to the list at the back of church. It would be good to arrange tea/coffee after the service. Please let Michael know if you can help with this.

MARK ADAMS reminds us that some time ago we generously raised funds for the people of some local Indian schools where he worked. Now one of these schools is to be made homeless. The Mondo Foundation are fundraising to pay for the building of a new school to ensure that the provision of vital education for almost 200 children is not lost. There are full details on the notice board and a flier will be published for next Sunday giving full details.

CHRISTIAN CARE VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES:

Children's and Families' Activities Coordinator working with an enthusiastic and able team to develop ways of enriching the lives of children from local disadvantaged families

Transport Organiser liaising with our drivers' team to provide transport for occasional events and activities run by members of the Children' and Families' Activities team

Drive and Drop Team members driving occasionally, locally to deliver food, baby items, bedding, children's clothes and toys

For more information visit our website: <https://christiancaremerton.com/volunteering> or contact the CARE Coordinator :email: gillian.thick@christiancaremerton.org.uk. Or speak to Pat Spencer, Ann Paterson or Chris Larkman

SYRIAN FAMILY UPDATE: Our Syrian family have now been with us for 3 months. Your parish support team have all been working hard to help them to settle. And, indeed, they are doing just that as Bariaa had a baby boy. The family will now be adjusting to the new member of their family and their third child. Taim (aged 8) is settling into Poplar School and enjoying being there. Team members have spent a lot of time sorting out medical appointments and accompanying family members. We could not have done without our 3 volunteer interpreters. Helping the family to sort out their finances and benefits has been very hard work. I am delighted to say that we have now been able to hand this over entirely to the family, so they manage their own bank account and payments etc. Learning English quickly is obviously a number one priority. I am pleased to say we have a volunteer from the parish for Mohammad and for Bariaa and they will help and guide them. They have a weekly tuition session from a volunteer from the Merton Language Support Unit, and we hope soon they will be able to start more regular formal sessions. Mohammad & Bariaa regularly express to us their gratitude. Please keep them in your prayers, especially at this time of the new arrival in the family. *Chris Larkman (Resettlement Project Co-ordinator)*

ECO CHURCH CONGREGATION TRAVEL-TO-CHURCH SURVEY: TODAY, members of the Eco Church group will be asking continuing to ask you about your travel to church. We have the rare distinction of a Silver Eco Church Award and this survey will help us go for Gold and do better with our care for Creation. We'd like information from everyone, even if you're a visitor. 1. Your name so we don't duplicate records. 2. Your postcode to work out the distance to church. 3. How many times in a typical month you do a return trip to church for any reason. This includes services, meetings, Toddler Group, gardening, cleaning, KFH, opening up the hall, etc. 4. Your type of transport (can be more than one type in a month). 5. If you travel with others by car we just need the details from one of you and the number of passengers. Thank you for your help.

QUIZ NIGHT We are having a Family and Friends Quiz night on **Saturday 12th November at 6.30pm**. Please sign the list at the back of Church if you'd like to attend..

SIMON ROCKSOROUGH SMITH has now retired from the choir after 26 years service. We extend enormous thanks to him for his faithful and loyal service and are delighted that he will continue to swell the congregational singing from the church pews!

