

Services & Diary Dates

Monday	12 th	
Tuesday	13 th	1930 Said Eucharist 2100 Online Compline
Wednesday	14 th	1030 Said Eucharist 1100 Coffee for All 2000 Zoom Prayer Meeting
Thursday	15 th	2100 Online Compline
Friday	16 th	1900 Juniors Choir Practice
Saturday	17 th	
Sunday	18th	0800 Said Eucharist 0915 Parish Communion

We are sad to inform that Revd Peter Louis has died peacefully at home on 8th July. The family will be holding a small private funeral in Wendover on Wednesday. Please keep and uphold Marion and the family in your thoughts and prayers.

REMINDER

Currently social distancing rules still apply. Use hand sanitiser gel upon entry & exit and keep your masks on whilst on the premises!

News

The flowers in church today have been given to celebrate Jim and Sally Ewers 30th wedding anniversary, who were married in Riseholme Church, Lincolnshire on 13th July 1991.

Thursday Lunches:

We would like to start offering Thursday Lunches after 19th July - so if existing and new volunteers (soup making or lunch serving once in 6 weeks rota) are willing and ready. Please contact Craig Lowes who would be delighted to hear from you:
craiglowesstfrancis@gmail.com



Each Wednesday @11am Coffee for All welcomes everyone. Do drop in for a cuppa and a friendly chat in the Prayer Garden.



Please remember to bring your Order of Service for Ordinary Time booklet which will be in use until All Saintstide (1st November).

Welcome

Sunday 11th July 2021

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Services Today

8am Said Eucharist

9:15am Parish Communion Coffee in the Hall - Suspended for now.

Youth & Children's Church *YACC sessions take place in their usual age groups within the Govt's COVID-19 guidelines.*

Age 2½ to Reception and Years 1&2, 3 & 4 - Hall

(Younger children including babies who are accompanied are very welcome)

Years 5 upwards in the Parish Room

Music

No hymns to be sung by the congregation for now.

Choir: Now thank we all our God / Teach me my God and King
Jackson in G
Rutter - The Lord bless you and keep you

Organ: Aria Paul Manz (1919-2009)
Finale Hans Friedrich Micheelsen (1902-73)

This week we pray for all who live and work in Polayn Garth and Palmerstone Close.

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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 for ever.

Amos 7: 7-15

This is what the Lord showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand.

And the Lord said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said, 'See, I am setting a plumb-line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, *Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.*'

And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.' Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, *Go, prophesy to my people Israel.*'

Ephesians 1: 3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love.

God destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of God's will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the

fullness of time, to gather up all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth.

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of God who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory.

In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people to the praise of his glory.

Mark 6: 14-29

King Herod heard of the healings and other miracles, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.'

But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.' For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.'

And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him.

But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee.

When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.'

And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.'

She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the Baptist.'

Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptizer on a platter.'

The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her.

Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Next Readings: Sunday 18 July 2021

Jeremiah 23: 1-6; Ephesians 2: 11-22; Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56