



Sunday, 8th July 2018
Sixth Sunday after Trinity

St George's Church
9.30 a.m. - Parish Communion

President & Preacher The Right Reverend Michael Beasley
 Bishop of Hertford

The First Reading - 2 Samuel 5.1-5, 9-10
 The Second Reading - 2 Corinthians 12.2-10
 The Gospel - Mark 6.1-13

HYMNS FOR TODAY

Processional	:	HON	15
Gradual	:	HON	56
Offertory	:	HON	235
Communion	:	HON	214
	:	HON	287
Candle of Light	:	In service sheet	
Post Communion	:	HON	143

Refreshments are served in the Parish Centre after the service.
 Please do come and join us.

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THIS WEEK

MONDAY 8th July

7.30 p.m. PCC Meeting in the Lady Chapel
 7.45 p.m. Bellringing Practice, St Nicholas' Church
 8 p.m. Badminton, St George's Hall

TUESDAY 9th July

10 a.m. Bible Study, 29A Eastern Way
 1.30 p.m. *Tuesday Cherubs in the Lady Chapel*
 1.30 p.m. Tuesday Club, Clulow Room, Norton Parish Centre

WEDNESDAY 10th July

10 a.m. Holy Communion at St George's Church
 10 a.m. Norton Coffee Shop in the Clulow Room
 8 p.m. Ladies Choir, St George's Church
 8 p.m. House Group at 17 Heathermere

THURSDAY 11th July

1.30 p.m. *Norton Nippers in St George's Hall*
 7.30 p.m. Eucharist at St Nicholas Church

FRIDAY 12th July

12 noon Friday Lunch, Clulow Room
 1.30 p.m. House Group in the Clulow Room
 6.15 p.m. *Choristers, St George's Church*
 8 p.m. Parish Choir, St George's Church

SUNDAY 14th July

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion, St Nicholas' Church
 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion, St George's Church
 6.30 p.m. *In-Betweeners Norton Parish Centre*

READINGS FOR 15TH JULY

2 Samuel 6.1-5, 12b-19
 Ephesians 1.3-14
 Mark 6.14-29

We remember in our prayers:

Those who are ill: Ruth Baker, Janet Giles, Theo Hediger, Olive Greatorex, Jenny Nichol, Margaret (Faye) Reid, Beryl Crouch, John Hardy, Sheila Tiplady, Karen Reynolds, David Sharman, John Quick

Those who have died: Sheila Collings, Bert Kerr

The anniversary of the death: Molly Vickers, Barbara Masters, Susan Hazzard, Rodney Masters

Those who have birthdays: Brenda Rogers, Anthony Giles

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Office Hours 9.30 – 12.30 Monday to Friday, notices to the office by Wednesday

Walking in the Garden. Parish Quiet Day. 9th August 11am – 4pm

Many people love to walk round a well-tended garden and enjoy its serenity and peace. In our parish quiet day this year we will be in Pirton, enjoying the beauty of its ancient church, where we will gather for reflections, prayers and Eucharist. Our reflections will centre around gardens in the bible, in particular the Garden of Eden and the Easter Garden. There will be plenty of time to admire the village, with its many cottages gardens or simply sit and relax and contemplate God's presence with us in creation.

So why not come along and Walk in the Garden with us?

For further details please see Rev Trev or Karen Williams. We ask if everyone can bring lunch with them. Coffee and tea will be provided. Lifts will be provided as needed.

Sunday School - The last Sunday School for this term is Sunday 15th July when attendance awards will be given out at the end of the service.

It would be great to see as many children and young people as possible next Sunday as we do not meet again until 9th September.

Fundraising Help

On Saturday 7th July 2018, 6.30 - 7.30 p.m at Letchworth Outdoor Pool (under 8's need to be accompanied by an adult). We are holding a fundraising event to help get Lucy to the World Scout Jamboree 2019 tickets £5 per person. Please see Sarah Cook.

Book stall at Parish Breakfast - 15th July A chance to get your holiday reading sorted!

We are holding a book stall, through the Christian bookshop, at Parish Breakfast on 15th July. There will be a number of Christian books to purchase including some biographies and other topics. This will save you a trip into town and will help you or your friends in their faith journey. Come along and enjoy buying something of interest.

Foodbank

A big thank you to everyone who continues to support the foodbank. At the moment items in short supply are: Milk [Longlife UHT], Tinned Meat, Tinned Fish, Tinned Fruit, Sponge Puddings, Biscuits, Tinned Rice/Custard, Tinned Vegetables/Potatoes, Pasta/Noodles for 1, Long Grain Rice, Ladies Deodorant. Other items are always welcome, please leave items at the back of St. George's Church behind the font. Thank you.

Foodbank Appeal for donations to supply parcels for children summer lunches during the school holidays. Please see the list at the back of Church.

Servers Needed

In order for our worship to carry on smoothly, we really do need four more people to join the rota to serve at the altar. It is not difficult and anyone can do it. Servers can be of any age from teenagers upwards. For more information please speak to Karen Williams or Brian Woodcock. Training can be arranged!

Tuesday Cherubs Special Notice The 17th July is our last Cherubs for this term. We will meet at Church at the earlier time of 12 o'clock so we can then go onto our Picnic, look forward to seeing you.

Summary of PCC Meeting 27th June 2018

Matters Arising - The Churchwardens will meet with the neighbour of St Nicholas Church to agree a price for the repair of the neighbour's wall. Natalie Terry has tendered her resignation as treasurer. She will stop at the end of December.

A small group are carrying out a data audit in line with GDPR.

Thanks were given to all who have helped with the work in 2 Common View. We hope to rent the house out from the end of July.

Trevor has applied to have a curate in the Parish in 2019.

Christine Clements has now officially been appointed to the role of Church Admin Officer.

Election of School Governor - Two places had become available for foundation governors. There was one application; Jo Verrecchia, who was appointed. If anyone else would like to be a school governor please speak to Keith Taylor,

Finance - Half the Parish Share has been paid, but we need to be careful with our spending.

The treasurer will look into moving the account to online banking.

It was agreed to support the uniform bank financially.

War graves sign - It was agreed the Commonwealth War Graves Commission can place a sign on the lych gate at St Nicholas Church as there are war graves in the graveyard.

Outreach and Mission - next steps: Trevor outlined how he saw the church moving on, following the previous meeting the PCC had earlier in the year. This will include:

- thinking of ways to engage the whole community
- continuing to support the foodbank
- working with local schools to form uniform banks
- support, by fundraising, a mission project through Christian Aid

Members of our congregation who are now living in a care home and are unable to attend church. **Roy Newland, Beryl Crouch, Betty Sapsed, Jeff Garner, Joan Rodbourne, Jenny Nichol, Faye Reid.**