



Church News for Sunday 13th September 2020 Trinity 14

We are delighted to be open for gathered worship once again.

For September this will be at 10:30 each Sunday at St Mary's Hornby (except the 27th please see below).

We are also continuing with PhoneChurch at 09:00

To join in simply call 03300 945 940 then at the prompt Room number: 55017514 # and use Guest PIN: 3885 #

Sunday 13th September Trinity 14

09:00 Prayer and Praise – PhoneChurch

10:30 BCP Holy Communion – Gathered at St Mary's Hornby

16:30 Taizé - via Zoom

Readings - Genesis 50.15-21, Psalm 103.[1-7]8-13*, Romans 14.1-12, Matthew 18.21-35

Evening Readings - Acts 20.17-38

Collect - Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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.

Post Communion Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

BCP Collect Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

During the week

09:00 Morning Prayer - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday

09:00 Holy Communion - Wednesday

Sunday 20th September Trinity 15

09:00 Morning Prayer - Phone Church

10:30 Holy Communion - A Gathered service for the whole Benefice at St Mary's Hornby

16:30 BCP Evensong

Readings - Jonah 3.10 - 4.11, Psalm 145.1-8, Philippians 1.21-30, Matthew 20.1-16

Evening Readings - Psalm 119.113-136*, Ezekiel 33.23,30 - 34.10, Acts 26.1,9-25

Collect - God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.

Post Communion - Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

BCP Collect - Keep, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

During the week

09:00 Morning Prayer - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday

09:00 Holy Communion - Wednesday with Rev'd Rod Allon-Smith

11:00 Deanery Prayer Meeting Wednesday - Via Zoom

Sunday 27th September Trinity 16

09:00 BCP Holy Communion - Phone Church

15:00 Harvest Festival in the Field! A drive-in service on the Hunton Show Field. Gates will open at 14:00 to allow parking up for a prompt start at 15:00.

Location - 54°19'20.6"N 1°41'50.8"W or w3w ///grumble.reference.episodes

Readings - Ezekiel 18.1-4,25-32, Philippians 2.1-13, Matthew 21.23-32

BCP Collect - O Lord, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

During the week

09:00 Morning Prayer - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday

09:00 Holy Communion - Wednesday

Sunday 4th October Trinity 17

09:00 Morning Prayer - Phone Church

10:30 Holy Communion - A Gathered service for the whole Benefice at St Mary's Hornby

16:30 BCP Evensong

Readings - Isaiah 5.1-7, Psalm 80.9-17, Philippians 3.4b-14, Matthew 21.33-46

Evening Readings - Psalm 136*, Proverbs 2.1-11, 1 John 2.1-17,

Collect Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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.

Post Communion - Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

BCP Collect Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always prevent and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

During the week

09:00 Morning Prayer - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday

09:00 Holy Communion - Wednesday - with the Ven Peter Townley Archdeacon of Pontefract

PhoneChurch is working well, but please remember it is live and unless you mute the microphone on your phone everyone can hear anything that is happening at your end of the line. We are still learning how to best use this system and whilst responses during the service are working well, communal singing is causing problems - so for the moment please just listen to the music as it plays rather than singing along.

Church Opening

Church buildings open for private prayer from 2-4 pm.

This will finish at the end of September.

Monday - Patrick Brompton

Tuesday - Spennithorne

Wednesday - Hornby

Thursday - Finghall

Friday - Crakehall

Saturday - Hauxwell

When you come - Please observe 2m social distancing at all times. Please use hand sanitiser where provided. The wearing of face-covering is required from the 8th August and no longer a matter of personal choice. Do not enter if you feel unwell or are displaying any symptoms of COVID-19. These include:

- High temperature
- Continuous cough
- Loss of taste and smell

Please follow all directions and markers set out and avoid contact with items as far as possible, including hymn books and printed material.

For the latest update from the Church of England please visit

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches>

Weddings Baptisms & Funerals

Can now take place with a maximum of 30 people present. However, there continue to be complex restrictions and procedures in place and these services will look and feel very different to what you might be used to so please do talk with Rev'd Chris at the earliest opportunity to avoid disappointment.

Please see link above or contact Rev'd Chris if you would like further clarification.

Meetings

We continue to hold phone discussions for Churchwardens, PCC Secretaries, & worship leaders every other Wednesday. Our next meetings are at 16:15 - on 23/09/2020 and 07/10/2020 on the PhoneChurch number.

St Michaels Spennithorne has a standing committee meetings at 14:00 on Monday 14th in the Church.

Rev'd Chris will be taking Tuesday 15th and Tuesday the 22nd as his rest days.

We are currently planning for our 6 Vestry & APCM's in November - more details to follow.



Please consider donating the following items

- Hot dogs
- Tinned Carrots or mixed veg
- Instant potato
- Tinned pies
- Small sugar (500g)
- Sponge puddings
- Creamed Rice
- Custard
- Biscuits
- Shower gel
- Toothbrushes & Toothpaste

Thank you - all donations are gratefully received.

www.hambletonfoodshare.org.uk if you need a food parcel E mail - info@hambletonfoodshare.org.uk or ring 07514 244158

Centering Prayer Introductory Course Online

St Oswald's Church, Sowerby & Hambleton Centering Prayer Meeting

Centering Prayer is both a method and a relationship which prepares us to awaken to the gift of contemplation and to rest in God. It is a discipline of intentional silence, and a way of surrender to the Divine Presence. It is complementary to other forms of prayer. *Be still and know that I am God. Ps.46:10*

This course will take place online (via Zoom) on two mornings. Each morning consists of two talks, an opportunity to practice Centering Prayer, and times for discussion. Materials will be provided. For Zoom instructions contact the organiser

Part 1: Saturday 26th September 2020, 10:30- 13:00 Part 2: Saturday 3rd October 2020, 10:30-13:00

Presenters: Rev'd Mel King and Carole O'Reilly Course Fee: £25.00 (+ Eventbrite booking fee.)

To Book: Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/centering-prayerintroductory-course-online-tickets-116995321155>

Liberia News

Simon and Grace Stretton-Downes



Simon is a dentist leading a team at a clinic at the Eternal Love Winning All (ELWA) Hospital in Monrovia. Grace is a nurse and will support Simon as well as seeking God's direction for her role in the mission field. The couple are sent by St Gregory's Church, Crakehall and are working for Serving In Mission (SIM)

Rosemary Gaven is our local contact and keeps us update with the news they send. Simon and Grace have many difficult issues and this week have asked for prayer for various things that are complex. Simon says Eddie is in the middle of his first year dental exams and the next few weeks will be make or break for him. If he doesn't pass these exams his hopes of

becoming a dentist will end and he will return to Liberia feeling that the last 2 years have been wasted.

Prayer for Simon that he would have great wisdom with all the large, many and varied dental cases he sees. He repaired 4 broken jaws in August by wiring them. There is lots of reviewing of these and all the complex new things arising. Prayer for wisdom in dealing with some upcoming staffing issues. Preparing the dental budget for the next year. Simon has to teach the resident doctors in their 2-week assignment to the clinic. Some are more interested than others!

Prayer for Grace as she continues to meet the mothers of malnourished children and share Bible truths with them. The continued audits, this time looking at Doctor instructions and prescriptions as well as nurses carrying those out. This is quite a challenge! Prayer for workable strategy and outcomes in the hospital following a meeting Grace has on the 8th with Jason their CEO where they will be discussing all of the above. Grace prays for all of us who pray for them to be encouraged to know and see God answers prayers. Thank you all for praying. Simon and Grace are going away on the 9th September for a couple of nights to rest and celebrate Simon's birthday this week and they are really looking forward to that!

And Finally

From Rev'd Chris

Can I start by saying an enormous thank you to all who helped to prepare St Marys' Hornby for our first gathered worship services last weekend. It was wonderful to worship together in person again after so many months. We had 35 people with us including a small scratch choir. As we continue to work out how to live and love and learn in a time of Covid we will need to reopen our buildings for worship. We are planning to run the current rota until Sunday 4th October and then have St Patrick's and St Michael's open for worship in the mornings on alternate weeks and St Oswald's, St Andrew's, and St Gregory's open for evening worship on a rotating basis. We are currently trialling running Phone Church from two of our buildings and may be able to combine Gathered and PhoneChurch, however, we are committed to continuing PhoneChurch for those who are still not comfortable in gatherings.

Can I also thank all who lead worship whilst I was on Holiday. As well as time at home we managed to get away to North Berwick for a week and found it very restorative and a wonderful place to be. Whilst I love the Dales, I also love the sea. Standing in the space between land and sea with the saltwater washing over my feet I was struck by a sense of how much has changed this year but also how quickly our footprints are erased and everything becomes normal again. However, there is a truth in understanding that what might seem like a return to normal is a subtle and dangerous view. With each wave, even the smallest of particles of sand is moved and changed, altered and finds a new place to rest. And I too was not the same, the experience of the sea at my feet had changed me. And so it is with our worship and our buildings, some of the changes are subtle and temporary, but in some respects, we can never go back to how it was before. I also feel that we still need to be very careful not to become complacent about the virus, its spread and its lifechanging consequences for many who suffer. With so few cases and even fewer deaths in our area, it would be all too easy to think that we are safe. So for the moment, I intend to imitate the 'Watcher' who stands at the top of North Berwick's Lifeboat slipway - Steady and Sure but also poised to call for action when it is needed. Watching and waiting are common biblical themes but if you have the time lookup Proverbs 8 and come and watch with me.

