Ringstone in Aveland News Sheet

I I October 2020 Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity



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Dear All,

It has been said to me that Harvest Festival is not going to be the same this year. We can't invite the school into Morton Church, Rippingale will not have its usual Harvest service, the Rector will be on holiday, and the limits on numbers in the church buildings for worship mean that we won't be gathering in the way we are used to. Of course all this is true!!!

But, as Christians, we should approach Harvest this, and every year, not in a selfish manner, feeling sorry for ourselves and holding on to the gifts God has so generously given to us. Rather, we should look for ways to celebrate God's goodness and provision for his world. We should choose to look in a wider, broader way at creation and look for opportunities to celebrate and appreciate 'All good gifts around us'

So this year I ask, how can we celebrate Harvest Festival in new and inventive ways by sharing what we have with those in need?

In His Service

Revd Neil

Collect for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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. **Amen**



Readings for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

<u>Isaiah 25.1-9</u>

Philippians 4.1-9

Matthew 22.1-14

Click on the reading to link through to the text

Post Communion Prayer for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

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 that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. **Amen**

From today's Gospel reading

The king said to his servants... "Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whoever you find.

The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests.

Reflection:

Like those from the main roads invited to the feast, our church is also a mixture of the "bad and good alike" and so the second part of the parable challenges us. How are we changing our lives in response to the invitation to the wedding God has given us? Do we realize the gift we have received? If all are guests, none meriting the invitation, but brought in by grace, then how could we Christians continue to separate and divide ourselves according to race, gender, country of origin, language, newcomers and old timers, well dressed and the poor?

So, we ask ourselves:

- What is our attitude and disposition towards other "guests" in our community of faith?
- How can I welcome them to share in the good things God has given us?

From our prayer list. Please pray for...

Eben Atkinson, Sheila Bates, Margaret Brumby, Sue Grainge, Nora Green, Clive Hall, Paul Hardingham, Annie Hersey, Arthur Jeffries, Imogen Matthews, John Rowntree, Shelagh Sands, Jose Stokes, John Weatherspoon and for any others whom we name in the silence of our hearts.

We give thanks for those on the road to recovery.

We also remember Isabel Fowler, Amy Hubbard, Bob Tennant, Christine Ward and the souls of all the faithful departed may they rest in peace and rise in glory; and we also pray for those who mourn their loss.

Sharing in Prayer - the Diocesan Prayer Diary.

'Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.'

Pray for all who struggle with their prayer lives.

Please pray for

All involved in our national and local legal systems

All who minister among the holiday makers, particularly along the East Coast Church Schools in the Bolingbroke Deanery

The Mission and Ministry Committee The DAC meeting

The intentions of the following parishes, groups and deaneries: the Bolingbroke Deanery; the Marden Hill Cluster; the Partney Cluster.

The intentions of all those from outside our diocese but listed in the prayer diary, including; the Church of the Province of Uganda; the Episcopal Churches in Colorado, Puerto Rico and Connecticut; Port Sudan, Kongor (Sudan); Colombo (Ceylon); Kondoa (Tanzania); Portsmouth (England); Pretoria (Southern Africa); Concepcion (Chile); Connor, Cork, Cloyne & Ross (Ireland); Pune (North India); Qu'Appelle (Canada); Costa Rica (Central America); Kontagora (Nigeria).

NB a full copy of the diocesan 'Sharing in Prayer' can be found here

Readings for Morning Prayer for this week

Monday: Psalm 80; 2 Kings 5; Acts 26.1-23

Tuesday: Psalm 89.1-18; 2 Kings 6.1-23; Acts 26.24-end

Wednesday: Psalm 119.105-128; 2 Kings 9.1-16; Acts 27.1-26

Thursday: Psalm 92; 2 Kings 9.17-end; Acts 27.27-end

<u>Friday:</u> Psalm 88; 2 Kings 12.1–19; Acts 28.1–16 <u>Saturday:</u> Psalm 97; 2 Kings 17.1–23; Acts 28.17–end



Bourne Food Bank

Thank you all for your generosity. We continue to support the Foodbank so please don't forget to drop donations for them round to the rectory.

If you are able to leave anything in the boxes as you go on your daily walk around the parish, I will take it to the Food bank on Tuesday or Friday.

If you would rather give in another way, you can make a gift of money, please see their website https://bournefoodbank.org.uk/how-to-help/

Ringstone worship online

The Sunday Eucharist service is live streamed to Facebook. It is then available later in the day on YouTube (search for the Ringstone in Aveland Group), or on the group website. While Revd Neil is on holiday, the services will not be live streamed.

If you would like to join Morning Prayer, please email Neil.

The Eucharist service books can also be viewed and/or downloaded from the group website.

Practical support for the work of your church

St Andrew, Haconby has an online giving page which can be found here.

St. John the Baptist Church, Morton has an online giving page which can be found here.

St. Mary and All Saints, Kirkby Underwood has an online giving page here. .

For all churches, donations will help keep much loved churches open and serving their local communities in regular worship and milestone life events. Please give as generously as you are able.

Dates for your diary

Wednesdays each week

10am -12pm Private prayer Morton 6.30 – 7.30pm Private prayer Rippingale

Sunday	11 October	6pm	Eucharist service	Rippingale
Sunday	18 October	llam	Eucharist service	Morton
Sunday	25 October	llam	Eucharist service	Rippingale
Wednesday	/ 14 October	7pm	APCM	Rippingale
Sunday	18 October	12.15pm	APCM	Morton
Thursday	22 October	7.30pm	APCM	Dunsby
Tuesday	27 October	7pm	APCM	Haconby

Village Life needs YOUR help!

In order to maintain deliveries of Village Life, two deliverers are needed in the Morton/Hanthorpe area. Deliveries are once a month, do not take very long and are a good excuse to go for a gentle walk round part of the village. If you are able to help please would you contact Marijke on 01778 570670 or marijke.harris@sky.com.

Track and Trace NHS APP



St John the Baptist now has QR codes displayed in the church at the entrance and by the table with the news sheets and service books. If you have downloaded the NHS track and trace app to your phone you can scan the code instead of signing in. This makes it quicker for you to get sat down and ready for the service, and keeps your personal information confidential.

By using the app, you can be contacted quickly if you have come in to contact with someone with Covid 19. You will see these codes in more and more places over the coming weeks and months, so it is worth downloading the app. You can download the app to your phone by going to this website: https://www.covid19.nhs.uk/

Communication

www.ringstonegroupchurches.org

If you have items to be included in the news sheet, please let Sue know by emailing ringstoneoffice@gmail.com before Tuesday, I 0am.