

Ringstone in Aveland News Sheet

26 July 2020
Seventh Sunday after Trinity



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Dear All

It will be great to worship together again from next Sunday. Starting at Rippingale, services will be held at Rippingale and Morton on alternate weeks at 11am.

However, these services will be different from the services we celebrated before lockdown.

- The service will be much shorter;
- Communion will be in one kind only (bread) as we cannot share the common cup. We will all also stand to receive communion;
- We will not be able to shake hands at the peace, or move from our seats;
- There will be organ music, but there will be no singing;
- For everyone's safety please wear a face covering;
- If you forget to bring a face covering, the sides people will have disposable one available for you. We suggest a £1 contribution to church funds should you require one of these;
- Sides people will direct you to your seats. Please remain in your seats unless directed by a sides person;
- There will be plenty of hand sanitisers available and everyone is asked to use it as directed by the sides people.

This may seem like a lot of guidance, but it is all to make the services as safe as possible for everyone. This will enable us to gather and worship God together once more, in as safe an environment as possible.

For those who are still concerned about public gatherings and uncomfortable about attending church we will be live streaming the services to the Group's facebook page. The service will also be available later in the day on our YouTube channel and our website.

In His service

Rev'd Neil

Collect for the Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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 Seventh Sunday after Trinity

[1 Kings 3.5-12](#)

[Romans 8.26-39](#)

[Matthew 13.31-33,44-52](#)

Click on the reading to
link through to the text

Post Communion Prayer for the Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

From today's Gospel reading:

The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has to buy that field.

Reflection:

It may seem that we happen upon the kingdom of heaven, mere birth, or by chance – like the treasure buried in the field. Still, it requires discernment on our part. Can we appreciate what a treasure we have come upon? Are we willing to accept it in joy and make the sacrifices in our lives to retain it?

So, we ask ourselves:

- ❖ In my daily life how do I experience the treasure that is the kingdom of heaven?
- ❖ What sacrifice is that treasure now asking of me?

From our prayer list. Please pray for...

Eben Atkinson, Sheila Bates, Margaret Brumby, Stephen Buckman, Jackie Bullen, Sue Grainge, Paul Hardingham, Annie Hersey, Arthur Jeffries, Imogen Matthews, John Rowntree, Shelagh Sands, Jose Stokes, Bob Tennant, Christine Ward, 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 Annie Ewer, Philip Green 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.

Jesus said: “God’s kingdom is like yeast that a woman mixes into a big bowl of flour to make bread. The yeast makes all the dough rise.”

Please pray for

The team responsible for preparing the Lambeth Conference, which was due to be taking place now – please pray for them as they consider the implications of its postponement in light of the Covid-19 pandemic

The intentions of the following parishes, groups and deaneries: the South Cliff Group; Brant Broughton w Stragglethorpe & Beckingham (In plurality with Leadenham); Leadenham & Welbourn (In plurality with Brant Broughton); Claypole - Claypole w Fenton, Westborough, Dry Doddington, Stubton; Saxonwell - Long Bennington, Foston, W & E Allington, Sedgebrook; The Deanery of Manlake.

The intentions of all those from outside our diocese but listed in the prayer diary, including; the Missionary District of Oeste-Brasil (Brazil); the churches in Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island (Canada); Bida, Nsukka, Offa (Nigeria); Karachi (Pakistan); Biharamulo (Tanzania); Karamoja (Uganda); Nyahururu (Kenya); Birmingham (England); Nzara (South Sudan); Blackburn (England); Bo (Sierra Leone); Boga (Congo); Port Elizabeth (Southern Africa); Bolivia (South America); Karimnagar (South India).

NB a full copy of the diocesan 'Sharing in Prayer' can be [found on our website](#)

Readings for Morning Prayer for this week
(click on the reading to link through to the text)

Monday: [Psalm 1](#); [1 Samuel 10.1-16](#); [Luke 22.24-30](#)

Tuesday: [Psalm 5](#); [1 Samuel 10.17-end](#); [Luke 22.31-38](#)

Wednesday: [Psalm 119.1-32](#); [1 Samuel 11](#); [Luke 22.39-46](#)

Thursday: [Psalm 15](#); [1 Samuel 12](#); [Luke 22.47-62](#)

Friday: [Psalm 19](#); [1 Samuel 13.5-18](#); [Luke 22.63-end](#)

Saturday: [Psalm 23](#); [1 Samuel 13.19-14.15](#); [Luke 23.1-12](#)

Ringstone worship online

While we may not be able to worship in our church buildings, here in the Ringstone group there is a daily act of worship online: Morning Prayer, Monday to Saturday and a streamed Eucharist service every Sunday.

If you would like to join Morning Prayer, please [email Neil](#).

Sunday Eucharist can be viewed either on [Facebook](#), [Youtube](#) (search for the Ringstone in Aveland Group), or on the group website

<https://www.ringstonegroupchurches.org/streamed-services>.

[Here is a link](#) to this Sunday's service

The Eucharist service books can also be viewed and/or downloaded from the [group website](#).

Service sheet for group services

The revised service sheet, and the guidance for church services in the group will be available to download from the church website later this week. They will be available in Rippingale and Morton at the services, but you may feel more comfortable printing and bringing your own. You will also need to use this service sheet to follow the online services from next week.

If you have items to be included in the news sheet, please let Sue know by emailing ringstoneoffice@gmail.com before 10am on a Tuesday

Volunteers needed

We are looking for volunteers for these two key roles to enable people to worship safely:

Stewards for private prayer in Rippingale and Morton

Sidespeople for the Eucharist services in Morton and Rippingale

These are both group worship and so we welcome volunteers from all parishes in the group.

If you would like to volunteer please contact:

Stewards for private prayer - Jonathan Newell for Rippingale and Revd Neil for Morton

Sidespeople – Sue O’Riordan

Please note: If you are in the vulnerable or shielding categories please do not volunteer



Bourne Food Bank

An update: Since the start of the lockdown the Ringstone in Aveland group has donated approx 250kg of food to Bourne Foodbank!! Thank you all for your generosity.

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.

Please continue to observe the social distancing advice when you come to drop off.

I am not asking you to risk your health or well-being.

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/>

Fund raising

St Andrew, Haconby has set up an online donation page which can be found [here](#). Annie Ewer’s family have asked that donations are made to the church in place of flowers. All money will go towards the roof fund so that St Andrew can be repaired and re-opened to serve the village community.

St. John the Baptist Church, Morton has an online giving page which can be found [here](#).

For both 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.