PEW SHEET

Sunday 29th August: Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

A big WELCOME to each and every one of you here today !

TODAY'S READINGS:

Collect

Almighty God, you search us and know us;
May we rely on you in strength
And rest on you in weakness,
Now and in all our days;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Song of Solomon 2. 8-13

8 The voice of my beloved!
Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains,
bounding over the hills. 9 My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall,
gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice.
10 My beloved speaks and says to me: 'Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; 11 for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone.
12 The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtle-dove is heard in our land.
13 The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away.

Deuteronomy 4. 1-2, 6-9

4 So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. 2 You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you.

6 You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' 7 For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? 8 And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?
9 But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children—

Mark 7. 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

7 Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, 2 they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. 3 (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands,[a] thus observing the tradition of the elders; 4 and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it;[b] and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.[c]) 5 So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live[d] according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' 6 He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

"This people honours me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
7 in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines."

8 You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.' 14 Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: 15 there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.' 21 For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, 22 adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. 23 All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator,
You feed your children with the true manna,
The living bread from heaven:
Let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage
Until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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BOTTLE TOPS RECYCLING

We are still actively recycling PLASTIC bottletops in aid of Dove Cottage Hospice in the Vale of Belvoir. Please ensure the mIlk bottletops are washed before leaving them at church.

We are also still collecting foil for Claypole Church. We will continue to ensure that it gets to Cathy Clarke (Belle's daughter).

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THE NEW QUARTERLY MAGAZINE

What did you think? We would love to hear from you about what you liked - and what you didn't - constructive comments very much welcome.

Would you be interested in joining the magazine team? We will be meeting soon to review the first issue and plan the second. Do get in touch at stgilesbalderton@gmail.com if you're interested. The more of us there are the easier the tasks should be - your input is very much welcome.

ST GILES' NET OF POPPIES

We are planning on making a curtain of red and purple poppies to hang from St Giles' church tower for the season of Remembrance. ***Would you and your friends would like to contribute?***

Knitting and/or Crochet Patterns are available for you to use (see a simple knitting pattern below). We would also appreciate any donations of Red, Purple, and/or Black DK wool.

Any completed poppies can be brought to Church or left outside the Vicarage in the baskets provided.

We would like all completed poppies in the baskets by 30th September so that we can start attaching them to the net in time for the beginning of November.

Please spread the word and let us make this happen.

For more information contact Linda Lawrence on 605226

- and of course don't forget to visit St Giles during the season of remembrance to see what great things our community are capable of.

POPPIES UPDATE... *25.8.21*

Please keep producing your poppies. All sizes are appreciated. Any pattern is acceptable. Any shade of red or purple. Just a few examples of the poppies already received. *Linda Lawrence*

Coming Up...

Sunday 29th August:
10.00 am Family Communion, St Giles, Balderton
4.00 pm Climate Sunday Service, All Saints, Barnby

Tuesday 31st August
10.00 am Coffee & Prayer - online
6-7pm Church Booking Surgery, St Giles, Balderton

Wednesday 1st September
10.00 am There will be no Walk & Talk today
2.00 pm Coddington PCC Meeting
7.00 pm Encounter resumes - online

Thursday 2nd September
10.00 am Holy Communion, St Giles

Friday 3rd September
6.30 pm Choir Practice, St Giles

Sunday 5th September
10.00 am Family Communion, St Giles, Balderton
1.00 pm Baptism, St Giles, Balderton
6.00 pm Free to Be, St Giles, Balderton

Monday 6th September
2.00 pm Barnby PCC Meeting

Tuesday 7th September
10.00 am Coffee & Prayer - online
6-7pm Church Booking Surgery, St Giles, Balderton

Wednesday 8th September
10.00 am Walk & Talk, Leave St Giles
7.00 pm Encounter - online

Thursday 9th September
10.00 am Holy Communion, St Giles, Balderton

Friday 10th September
6.30 pm Choir Practice, St Giles
7.30 pm Youth Group resumes, St Giles, Balderton

Saturday 11th September
Churches open for Notts Historic Ride & Stride

Sunday 26th September
10.00 am Harvest Family Service, St Giles, Balderton
4.00 pm Harvest Sunday Together at Barnby