

NEWSLETTER

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The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect for the day

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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.



Today's Gospel

Sometimes we all feel that our very best efforts are not appreciated and we are left feeling discouraged. The same emotions must have troubled Jesus. In his ministry it seemed that no good deed would be left unpunished. In the reading from the Gospel of Luke today, Jesus heals a woman who had been crippled and lived life as a hunchback. Jesus releases her, but encounters the wrath of the synagogue ruler. His crime was to heal on the Sabbath, something contrary to the Jewish law which God himself had given. The ruler was right, Jesus had broken the law, but Jesus understood fully the implications of his actions. His life was about taking all those laws and breaking them once and for all and bringing about a new covenant - a new way for us to understand and meet with God. Jesus had come to make a new way possible with God and it was not subject to obeying old laws. Jesus wanted his followers to be governed by a new principle of love and this would mean a whole new way to behave. In the Bible reading from Luke today we are all challenged to realise that there are no more rules. Instead we are to ask the question, 'are we listening to the Spirit of God, writing God's way on our hearts and helping us to live each day more like Jesus

St Catherine's: 10.30 am Choral Eucharist

Today's Hymns: 69, 684, 610, 685

St John's: 9.00 am Sung Eucharist

Today's Hymns: 339, 305, 565

St Luke's: No morning service at St Lukes

Psalm 103:1-8

- 1 Praise the Lord / O my / soul: and all that is within me / praise his / holy / name.
- 2 Praise the Lord / O my / soul: and for-/get not / all his / benefits,
- 3 Who forgiveth / all thy / sin: and / healeth / all • thine in-/firmities;
- 4 Who saveth thy / life • from the / pit: and crowneth thee with / mercy • and / loving-/kindness,
- †5 Who satisfieth thee with good things / all thy • life / long: so that thy youth is re-/newed / as the / eagle's,
- 6 The Lord / worketh / righteousness: and executeth judgement for all / them that / are op-/pressed.
- 7 He shewed his / ways • unto / Moses: his works / unto • the / children • of / Israel.
- 8 The Lord is full of com-/passion • and / mercy: long-suffering / and of / great / goodness.

Next week's readings: Ecclesiasticus 10:12-18; Psalm 112; Hebrews 13: 1-8,15-16; Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 9th-18th May 2020 Led by The Revd Vicki Burrows (Vicar of Radyr) if anyone is interested in finding more information, Revd Emma has a limited number of colour brochures detailing the exact itinerary and costs included.

Fundraising Afternoon Tea and Bingo: tickets are now available for the first event organized by our Benefice Fundraising Group. Come along to the Prosecco and Bingo Afternoon on September 14th at 3.00pm in St Catherine's Hall. Tickets £15 available from churchwardens, Annie or Lindsay.

Services in August: There will be no Mass this Sunday at St Luke's. There will be no midweek services this week. All services resume as normal from next Sunday.

St Catherine's Notes:

Sunday school - We will be back on the 8th September after school holidays.

No Midweek service

St John's Notes:

Ty Bronna: We are collecting washing up liquid throughout August. Please leave in the box in church.

Sunday School: will resume at the start of September

No Midweek Service

St Luke's Notes:

No services in August

Diocesan and Anglican Prayer Cycle

Sun Aug 25 th	TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Wenvoe & St. Lythans: Jonathan Ormrod (PinC) <i>the Anglican Church of South America</i>
Mon Aug 26 th	<u>ARCHDEACONRY OF MARGAM Archdeacon:</u> Ven. Michael Komor <i>Olo (South Sudan); Busan (Korea); Kigezi (Uganda)</i>
Tues Aug 27 th	<u>DEANERY OF BRIDGEND Area Dean:</u> Ian Hodges <i>Olympia; Busoga (Uganda)</i>
Weds Aug 28 th	The Staff at the Diocesan Office <i>Omu-Aran (Nigeria); Butare (Rwanda); Butere (Kenya)</i>
Thurs Aug 29 th	The Ministry Area of Greater Bridgend: Maggie Thorne (V) <i>On the Lake (Nigeria); Buye (Burundi)</i>
Fri Aug 30 th	Llangeinor and the Garw Valley: Roger Pitman (PinC) <i>Byumba (Rwanda); Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh</i>
Sat Aug 31 st	Llansantffraid, Bettws & Aberkenfig: Suzanne Brumwell (V) <i>Kimberley & Kuruman (Southern Africa); Kindu (Congo); Kinkiizi (Uganda)</i>

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