

# NEWSLETTER

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## Trinity 15

Our generous God calls us to work in the vineyard. Whether early in the day or late in the afternoon, we are never too late to contribute in the kingdom of heaven.

### Collect of the Day

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. Amen

### Today's Readings

**First Reading** Jonah 3:10 – end of 4

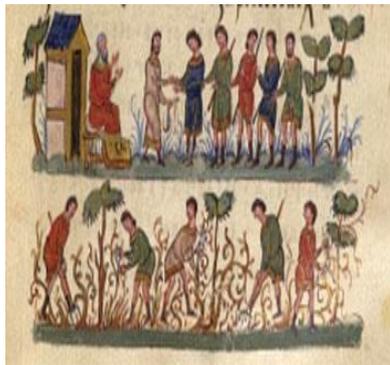
God provides Jonah with a bush for shade, but then sends a worm to destroy it. Jonah is angry and upset. "If you are concerned about the bush," says God, "is it not right that I should be concerned about Nineveh?"

**Second Reading** Philippians 1:21-end

Paul urges the Philippians to live in a way that is worthy of the Gospel and to remain strong because God has granted them the privilege of suffering.

**Gospel** Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus tells a parable about a generous vineyard owner. He hires workers at different times of the day, from early morning to just an hour before work ends, and pays them all the same wage. Those who have worked all day complain that it is not fair. The vineyard owner asks them if they are jealous because he is generous.



**St Catherine's:** 8.00am Morning Prayer; 10.30 am Sung Eucharist with Fr Chris Lee; 12.30pm Baptism  
**Today's Hymns:** 685, 286, 118, 332

**St John's:** 9.00 am Sung Eucharist with Fr Chris Lee  
**Today's Hymns:** 286, 161, 252

**St Luke's:** 10:30 am Sung Mass with Canon Wilcox  
**Today's Hymns:** 314, 161, 539, 252

**Psalm response:** **The Lord is near to those who call upon him.**

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia Alleluia opening our hearts to him, singing Alleluia Alleluia Jesus is our King

There will be no evening worship in the Benefice today.

### Psalm 145:1-8

- 1 I will exalt thee O / God my / King: and I will bless thy / name for / ever • and / ever.
- 2 Every day will I give / thanks • unto / thee: and praise thy / name for / ever • and / ever.
- 3 Great is the Lord, \* and marvellous / worthy • to be / praised: his greatness is / past / searching / out.
- 4 One generation shall praise thy works / unto • an-/other: and / shall de-/clare thy / power.
- 5 As for me \* I will be talking of the glorious brightness / of thy / majesty: and of / all thy / wondrous / works.
- 6 Men shall speak of the might of thy / marvel•lous / acts: and I will / also / tell of • thy / greatness.
- †7 The memory of thine abundant kindness shall ever be / on their / lips: and / men shall / sing of • thy / righteousness.
- 8 The Lord is / gracious • and / merciful: long-suffering / and of / great / goodness.

**Newsletter:** for any items to be included in this newsletter please email Sue Jones ([office@beneficeofcanton.org.uk](mailto:office@beneficeofcanton.org.uk)) Deadline is 12 noon on Fridays. For an email copy of the newsletter please contact Sheila at [mgsmkelly1@gmail.com](mailto:mgsmkelly1@gmail.com)

**Harvest Supper:** the annual Harvest Supper will be held in St John's on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September, 6.30 for 7.00pm. Tickets are available from Jean, Elaine and the wardens in each church.

**Friday Youth Club** at St Catherine's Church Hall 7pm-8:30pm Youth club is starting back up on 29th September. This activity and games based group is for all young people in year 5 and above. It is free to attend and the only money 'needed' is for the tuck shop! We are also in urgent need of volunteers to help on Friday evenings. Can you commit to one Friday evening a term to help? For more information contact Sarah Burton at [youthofficer@beneficeofcanton.org.uk](mailto:youthofficer@beneficeofcanton.org.uk)

## St Catherine's Notes:

**Hall Bookings:** To book the Hall email Bev on [hall.stcatherines@gmail.com](mailto:hall.stcatherines@gmail.com).

**Tea and Coffee rota:** Volunteer(s) needed to prepare and serve tea and coffee after the 10.30 Eucharist on the SECOND Sunday of each month. See Hilary or David for further information.

**Midweek Services:** Holy Eucharist - Wednesday at 11am

## St John's Notes:

**Ty Bronna:** We are collecting brown sauce throughout September. Please leave in the box in church.

**Midweek Services:** Holy Eucharist Thursday 10.30 am.

## St Luke's Notes:

**From Tony Parsons:** Thank you for your donations to Christian Aid at Hannah's funeral. We raised £100 for this worthy cause. As mentioned last week, I would like to start a poetry group, to meet at my house on a midweek evening, on a weekly basis. Not just for poets, but also those who appreciate a little versicology; with some light hearted discussion and exchange of ideas. Anyway I'm throwing this idea out amongst you with the hope of a positive response, if I get half a dozen interested I'll be very happy. Anthony Hay Parsons (Tony)...email or phone in the parish directory, or tell Beryl Cooke. Thanks and God bless you all.

**Macmillan Coffee Morning:** there will be a coffee morning from 11.00am until 1.00pm on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care. We will continue the coffee morning after Mass on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October...cakes and savoury donations will be welcome. Please try to support us. Please see Sue if you need more information.

**Midweek services:** Said Mass Tuesday 10.00am; no Mass on Saturday this week.

## Recently Departed:

## Diocesan and Anglican Prayer Cycle

Sun Sept 24 <sup>th</sup>	TRINITY 15 Duffryn: Stephen Bodycombe (V)	<i>Southeast Florida</i>
Mon Sept 25 <sup>th</sup>	Llansawel, Briton Ferry: Canon Stephen Ryan (R)	<i>Southeastern and Western Mexico</i>
Tues Sept 26 <sup>th</sup>	Rectorial Benefice of Neath: Canon Stephen Ryan (R)	<i>Southern Brazil</i>
Weds Sept 27 <sup>th</sup>	Ecumenical Officer: Andrew James	<i>Southern Highlands - (Tanzania)</i>
Thurs Sept 28 <sup>th</sup>	Skewen: Christopher Coles (PinC)	<i>Southern Malawi</i>
Fri Sept 29 <sup>th</sup>	Michael & All Angels Vale of Neath: Andrew Davies (V)	<i>Southern Nyanza - (Kenya)</i>
Sat Sept 30 <sup>th</sup>	Diocesan Conference Deanery of the Vale of Glamorgan: Area Dean Canon Martyn Davies	<i>Southern Ohio</i>