

Sunday, July, 14th Trinity 7

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9.30am Eucharist, 14th July, 2024

11am Holy Communion, 17th July

Processional Hymn:- 37:-The Lord will come and bot be slow.

Collect:- 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.

First reading:- A reading from the book of the prophet Amos.

This is what the Lord God showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the LORD said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb line.' Then the Lord said, 'See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.' Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, "Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land."' And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.' Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

Response to Psalm 85. Show us your mercy, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him. Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

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Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other. 11 Truth shall spring up from

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the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

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The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

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Second Reading:- A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

HYMN:- 496 Lead us heavenly Father

Gospel:- Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

King Herod heard of the healings and other miracles, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.' For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.'

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And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the Baptist.' Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptizer on a platter.' The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Offertory Hymn:- 318 Oh Thou who at thy Eucharist didst pray.

Communion Hymn:- 234 Sing we the praise of a great forerunner

Anthem:- Holy is the true light - Harris

Post Communion Prayer:- 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.

Recessional Hymn :- 494 King of Glory, King of Peace,

Please remember in your prayers this week:- Sarina, Janice Pinnock, Jean Rochester, Cynthia Foster, Christopher Munns, Barry Ireland, Amy Su Armitage, Velma Munns, Dave Cheney, Nina Beetson, Peter Fisher. Janet Maclean, Donna Thwaite and Mark Butts.

Those who have recently died Rita Streather and those whose Years Mind occurs at this time:- Ken Boyle, Tom Chapman and Derek Richarson.

Church Fete :- The Fete has raised £1,456,50. Well done Gardening Team, Fundraising team, Mother's Union, choir, Jonathan's band and all who helped on the day. And thank you for excellent weather.

Gardening Afternoon Tea raised £300.00 with thanks to Jean and her team of helpers.

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Floodlight Sponsorship

Finedon Buffs

Open the Book

As a way to increase links between the church and schools in Finedon, the Foundation Governors are trying to introduce Open the Book storytelling on a monthly basis. To develop this program we need a group of people who tell and act out a Bible story to the whole school. If you feel you have at least 30 mins to spare each month and would relish the opportunity to tell Bible stories in school please speak to Julia Havlickova, Jenny Kerti or Pete Grindrod who can give you further details.

Notice of re-ordering

Please read the yellow notice on the porch notice board re the re-Ordering in Church. The plans are at the back of the Church and If you have any objections you have until 25th July to register your objections with the Diocesan Registrar, Diocesan Office, The Palace, Peterborough,

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TEDDY RAFFLE:

Jean Marlow has a teddy for raffle at 50p ago. There are still a few outstanding names, so if you missed out on the Owl have ago for this cute teddy. Please see Jean or Julie. Many thanks.

Church Coffee morning Thursday 18th July at 10am. Lots of lovely cakes, good raffle , lots of interesting people to have a natter. All monies to restoration fund.

School Children end of term service 18th July 9.30am

Funeral Thursday 25th July at 11am

FR Stan and Kathryn invite you to

Afternoon Tea

11th & 18th Sundays in August – 3pm to 5pm

At 45 Finedon Road,

Irthlingborough

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Tickets £5.00 on sale from July 14th

Free Family Fun Day

Saturday 20th July 10 to midday.