

Churchwardens:-

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9.30am Eucharist, 25th August, 2024

11am Holy Communion, 28st August, 2024

Processional Hymn:- 2 Christ whose Glory fills the sky

Collect:- Almighty God, who called your Church to bear Witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

First reading:- A reading from the book of Joshua

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, 'Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.' Then the people answered, 'Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.'

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Response to Psalm 34:- I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me out of all my terror.

The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry. The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

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The righteous cry and the Lord hears them and delivers them from all their troubles. The Lord is near to the broken hearted and will save those whose spirits are crushed.

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Many are the troubles of the righteous, but the Lord will deliver him out of them all. He will keep safe all his bones; not one of them shall be broken.

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Evil shall slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be punished. The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, and none will be punished who trust in him.

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

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore, take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

HYMN:- 547 Oft in danger , Oft in woe.

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

Jesus said to the crowd: 'Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the

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synagogue at Capernaum. When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.' Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.

Offertory Hymn:- 607 Thy Kingdom Come, O God

Communion :- 343 O perfect love

Anthem:- Ave Verum - Mozart

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.

Recessional Hymn :- 610 To the name of our salvation

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 whose years Mind fall at this time:- David John Read

To the congregation of St Mary's. The installation service for Rev'd Morna will take place on Wednesday the 4th September at a 7.30pm service conducted by Bishop Debbie, Bishop of Peterborough. Everyone is warmly invited to join in this celebration of new ministry. If you will be joining Rev'd Morna can we please ask that you put your name/s on the list on the table near the notice board. Many thanks Churchwardens.

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Floodlights Sponsorship

June Johnson

In memory of Shaun Johnson

Important Notice

From the Tuesday, 3rd September the 11am service on Wednesdays, (that used to be the 8am service on Sundays), will now be on Tuesdays at 11am.

The Reverend Simpson will be training Curates on Wednesdays, so a new day was needed for the Communion Service. The congregation on Wednesday were all asked to fill in a form to say which days would suit them best. The majority chose Tuesdays.

Tuesday 3rd September we will be having Coffee and Cake after this service.

Ride + Stride will take place on Saturday 14th September (Flower Festival Weekend) if anyone is planning to take part and would like a sponsor form, they are now available at the back of Church or from Julie. Alternatively, you can become a friend of the trust, application forms also at the back of church.

Dates for the Diary September 2024:

Sunday 1st September Autumn Craft Fayre in Finedon Community Centre from 11am to 3pm

Friday 13th – Sunday 15th September – “World of Art” Flower Festival

Sunday 15th September at 6:00pm – Flower Festival Evensong

Thursday 19th September 10am – Outreach Coffee Morning (Mission Room)

Sunday 29th September 9:30am – 50th Anniversary of **Father Stan's Ordination** followed by cakes etc.

Fund Raising team on Monday 14th October 7.30pm at 3 Wellingborough Rd.

Wednesday 16th October – Visitors in Church - a Guided Church tour by Mr Barry Wadson .