



**1st, 8th and
15th August
2021**

READINGS

1st August

Luke 15: 11-31

8th August

Luke 15: 11-31 James 5: 13-20

15th August

Luke 15: 11-31

The parable of the prodigal son is also known as the parable of the expectant Father. If God is always looking out for us, even running to meet us and forgive us, then we can take this as an example of how we are to be with others. We can learn from the different characters in the parable- the Father, the younger son and the older son. How good are we at admitting our own faults and mistakes to others and to God? How as individuals or a church community can we move from a place of jealousy or disgruntlement at God's generosity to all to a place of welcome? How can we, like the Father, actively seek out those who need God's loving embrace?

PRAYERS

9th Sunday after Trinity – 1st August

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

10th Sunday after Trinity – 8th August

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

11th Sunday after Trinity - 15th August

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Please PRAY for:

1st August

- ❖ the Church of the Province of South East Asia.
- ❖ Episcopal churches in South Sudan and Sudan: Please pray for Rt Revd Peter Joh Abraham Mayom, Bishop of Malek.
- ❖ all the parishes in the Calne Deanery.
- ❖ Bemerton churches: St Andrew's and St Michael's.
- ❖ all who live in St George's Road and Upper Street.

8th August

- ❖ the Church of South India (United).
- ❖ Episcopal churches in South Sudan and Sudan: Please pray for Rt Revd Thomas Tut Gany, Bishop of Ayod.
- ❖ all the parishes in the Marlborough Deanery.
- ❖ uniformed organisations, young people and their leaders.
- ❖ those who work at the Ambulance Station.
- ❖ all who live at Mere Close and Berkshire Road.

15th August

- ❖ the Anglican Church of Southern Africa.
- ❖ Episcopal churches in South Sudan and Sudan: Please pray for Rt Revd Martin Abuni, Bishop of Nimule Area.
- ❖ all the parishes in the Pewsey Deanery.
- ❖ St Paul's Church in Salisbury.
- ❖ the John McNeil Centre.
- ❖ all who live at Munks Close and Old Meadows Walk.

Each week

- ❖ all the staff and volunteers involved with administering the Covid vaccinations, especially those in our area and the World Health Organisation, hospital staff, paramedics, care workers and key workers and all who are suffering from the Corona Virus.
- ❖ those who are sick, and all who care for them especially Ann Baker, Marion Webb, Angela Mould, Neil (not Neil Turpin), Revd Brian Coleman, Revd Simon Wilkinson, Ann Parry, Kath Glover, Molly Hawksworth, Bill, Enid McLaughlan, Mike Pointer, Julian Jackson, Bruce and Diane Eagles and Tessa Bremner Macdonald.
- ❖ those who have died especially John Coleman, Jean Redding and Alex Ploughman.

DIARY

Saturday 31st July	3.00-8.00pm	Great Day Out including Harnham Harvest Table.
Sunday 1st August	10.30am	Communion, Parish Hall Field.
Tuesday 3rd August	9.00am	Morning Prayer in All Saints Churchyard.
Wednesday 4th August	9.00am	Morning Prayer in St George's Church.
Thursday 5th August	12 noon	Zoom midday prayers this week.
Saturday 7th August	10.00am	Harvest Table and Saturday Morning Coffee, Parish Field.
	2.30pm	Summer Garden Party for Christian Aid, Parish Field.
Sunday 8th August	8.00am	Communion at All Saints.
	3.00pm	Family Fun Races, Parish Field. Free event for all ages.
Tuesday 10th August	9.00am	Morning Prayer in All Saints Churchyard.
Wednesday 11th August	9.00am	Morning Prayer in St George's Church.
Saturday 14th August	10.00am	Harvest Table and Saturday Morning Coffee, Parish Field.
Sunday 15th August	8.00am	Communion at St George's
	10.30am	Service of the word on the Parish Hall Field.

All worship - There is no longer a need to book services in advance. Wardens will record who has attended services on the day and you are asked to sign in / out with the NHS app on your phones.

Indoor worship - Please note that there is a limit of 40 people for St George's Church and 55 people for All Saints Church so do come along early. Please follow the Sunday wardens directions. Green ticks in the pews will indicate where there are allocated spaces (in accordance with the latest Church of England recommendations).

DON'T FORGET the SUMMER GARDEN PARTY to celebrate 75years of Christian Aid

Saturday 7th August from 2.30pm-4.30pm. Parish Hall Field, Lower Street, Harnham.
Social event with stalls, cream teas, tombola, children's activities and hopefully sunshine!

Notice Sheets over the summer

The Notice Sheet this week will cover 1st, 8th and 15th August, then afterwards a notice sheet to cover 22nd, 29th August and 5th September. We will return to weekly notice sheets from 12th September. This is to make the most of what is usually a quiet time for the Parish Office and to cover holidays.



The Olympics is coming!

Why not come along to our *family fun races* on SUNDAY 8th August Parish Hall field, Lower Street. 3.00-5.00 pm. Free. Join in the fun or watch and cheer others on! Balloon races, silly races, running races, water race!

Sabbatical Many of you will know that on the 7th day, God rested! In the Bible, a Sabbath is for refreshment. The Church of England uses this principle for its clergy and offers them 3 months extended leave after 7 years of service. I have served Harnham Parish for the past 8 years and the Bishop has approved an extended study leave for me which I will take over the next

two years- In 2021 from September 20th to November 26th and in May 2022. I have split the leave in order to continue to support Revd Mike Badger, as curate. During this time, I will rest and study some Art Therapy and Trauma theology within the context of a hospital placement. (I will be exploring how the two can combine to aid the processing of trauma).
Revd Becky

Pet Festival and Country Fayre 12th September 2021 Parish field 2 - 4.30pm

Do you have any OLD TOWELS, INDOOR PLANT POTS, OLD PET ITEMS that you would like to donate for this? Please bring along to church or ring Revd Becky 01722 333564 to arrange to drop them off or pick up. If you know anyone who keeps animals that could show them please let myself, Sue Reeder, Liddy Thompson or Linda Baker know. Thank you. Revd Becky.

THANK YOU to all who were involved in the Great Day Out - to those who set up, staffed the stalls and came along. For updates on the fundraising please see [Harnham Hub Appeal | Stewardship](#)
Revd Becky

Thank you for your prayers and generous welcome to Harnham Parish Churches. I was both touched and moved by your kind words and thoughtful gifts. It was a such great blessing following my ordination at the Cathedral on the previous weekend, and particularly welcome at a time of uncertainty for me as I transition from church life at St Paul's and theological study at Trinity Bristol to Harnham Parish.
Revd. Mike Badger.