

## THE PARISH OF GREAT YARMOUTH

### GREAT YARMOUTH MINSTER, ST PAUL'S, ST MARY'S

### SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> October 2020 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Sunday Services as follows: Facebook at 10am and 11am in the Minster.

Midweek Eucharist: Wednesday 10.15 (*see notices for venue*)

#### Parish Office:

The Rectory, Town Wall Rd, Great Yarmouth, Norfolk, NR30 1DJ

Tel: 01493 858410

office@gtyarmouthminster.org

www.gtyarmouthminster.org

In Matthew's gospel (Mt 15:15-22) the Pharisees (The Baddies of the Bible) try to trap Jesus by asking leading questions, just like a modern reporters. Jesus' answer is straightforward and to the point. "Whose head is on this coin?" It's an answer that is analytical, direct and clear. It's a question that the Pharisees did not expect as it put them right on the spot!

This type of clear, direct and to the point way of thinking is an answer to the much-quoted phrase of "What would Jesus Do" you see the acronym "WWJD" all over the place and Jesus' reaction to the Pharisees is a guide and example to us all when we are faced with questions that life throws at us.

It is a useful tool in the current situation that we are experiencing. Whilst we are in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic the questions of how we tackle the day to day tasks without raising our level of risk or how we stay healthy in mind, body and spirit are constantly with us and without a clear answer we can be quickly overwhelmed.

As Christians we are required to spread the good news of Christ's defeat of death especially in times such as these. This is our task, to seek out those in need, those who need our help and I am reminded of this when ever read the following words:

*This day be within and without me, lowly and meek, yet all-powerful. Be in the heart of each to whom I speak; in the mouth of each who speaks unto me.*

I hope and pray that this week as you go about your daily tasks that you may meet the risen Christ in all you meet and in all that you do. Amen.

Father Frank

## NOTICES

**Midweek Eucharist:** Weds 21<sup>st</sup>, 10.15am at St. Paul's. 28<sup>th</sup> October Eucharist at St. Mary's.

**All Souls Day** is when we remember our departed loved ones. This year, the Minster will be open on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November from 3.00-6pm for people to come in and light a candle of remembrance: clergy will be present at all times to pray with people. There will be a short online Commemoration Service that evening at 7pm.

**Calling all crafters** - we need poppies for a Remembrance project, if you could knit/crochet/sew a poppy or two, or more - red and white - we'd be delighted to receive them. They are needed by 31st October, please drop them in the box in the Minster, or take them to Helen (18 Royal Ave). Also if you have any red or white yarn or fabric for others to use. For more info, or a pattern, contact Helen: [lynch.helen@outlook.com](mailto:lynch.helen@outlook.com) or 07902447821

**Film Club** Film club. The first film we will watch will be 'Signs', if anyone would like to borrow a DVD to watch it, and either have a sheet of questions to think about, or join in a discussion early next month, please get in touch with me. If interested email or ring Helen [lynch.helen@outlook.com](mailto:lynch.helen@outlook.com) 07902 447821

**Lunchtime Recital** Please note that there will not be an Organ Recital on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> October. The next Recital will be Wednesday 28 October at 12.30 - David Ballard - Freelance organist and conductor (formerly North Walsham Parish Church)

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)** will be held in the Minster at 12.15pm on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October. This will be a brief APCM but church rulings for 2020 mean it must happen before the end of October.

**Electoral Roll** is being revised. If you are a regular member of our church and wish to be added please complete a form. (The revision can be completed at any time and not before the APCM – just for this year) A form is attached with this week's bulletin, paper copies will be available in all the churches.

**Minster Open** daily from 10am-12noon for private prayer and visitors. We need helpers to keep the Minster open day by day and this is open to all, not just church members. If you, or someone you know, wish to volunteer please contact the Parish Office.

**Parish Magazine:** The October magazine is out now, if you have any articles for the magazine please contact Pat Stringer, email: [pat.stringer1@sky.com](mailto:pat.stringer1@sky.com)

**PARISH PRAYER LIST** If anyone wants someone prayed for, ask any of the Ministry Team or the parish office. Pray for those who are sick or in need, all who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit or in need of God's loving care: Sheila, Brenda, Stuart, John, Wendy, Ronnie & Rosemary, Leah. Remember before God the recently departed: David. Roger Coote, Alan Varney. Pray for those who work to keep our community safe and limit the spread of the virus.



## COLLECT

Almighty God,  
you called Luke the physician,  
whose praise is in the gospel,  
to be an evangelist and physician of  
the soul:  
by the grace of the Spirit  
and through the wholesome medicine  
of the gospel,  
give your Church the same love and  
power to heal;  
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

Either **Isaiah 35:3-6**

*A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.*

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert.

Or **Acts 16:6-12a**

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

Paul and Timothy went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. When they had come opposite Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them; so, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to

Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony.

## PSALM Psalm 147:1-7

**R** *Great is our Lord and mighty in power.*

Alleluia.  
How good it is to make music for our God,  
how joyful to honour him with praise.  
The Lord builds up Jerusalem  
and gathers together the outcasts of Israel. **R**

He heals the brokenhearted  
and binds up all their wounds.  
He counts the number of the stars  
and calls them all by their names.  
Great is our Lord and mighty in  
power;  
his wisdom is beyond all telling. **R**

The Lord lifts up the poor,  
but casts down the wicked to the ground.  
Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;  
make music to our God upon the lyre. **R**

## SECOND READING

**2 Timothy 4:5-17**

*A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy.*

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above

all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message. At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

## GOSPEL Luke 10:1-9

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.*

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'"

## POST COMMUNION

Almighty God,  
who on the day of Pentecost  
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles  
with the wind from heaven and in  
tongues of flame,  
filling them with joy and boldness to  
preach the gospel:  
by the power of the same Spirit  
strengthen us to witness to your truth  
and to draw everyone to the fire of  
your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

