#### **This Weeks Diary**

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Mon 4<sup>th</sup> – Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Oct: Morning & Evening Prayer

08:30 & 5pm: St John's: Common Worship

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October: 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Esther 7.1-6,9,10, 9.20-22; James 3.13-end; Mark 9.38-50

Hymns: 148, 143, N-H&W 37, 394, 141

08:00 St John's: BCP

10:00 St John's: Holy Communion

6pm St John's: Taize

Monday 4th October: Francis of Assisi

Jonah 1.1-2.2,10; Psalm 69.1-6; Luke 10.25-37

09.30 St John's: Holy Communion

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October:

Jonah 3; Psalm 130; Luke 10.38-end

09:30 St Boniface: Holy Communion

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October: William Tyndale

Jonah 4; Psalm 86.1-9; Luke 11.1-4

11:00 St John's: Holy Communion

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October:

Malachi 3.13-4.2a; Psalm 1; Luke 11.5-13

09:30 St John's: Holy Communion

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October:

Joel 1.13-15,2.1-2; Psalm 9.1-7; Luke 11.15-26

09:30 St John's: Holy Communion

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October: Denys

Joel 3.12-end; Psalm 97.1,8-end; Luke 11.27-28

09:00 St John's: Holy Communion

Sunday 10th October: Harvest Sunday & 19th Sunday

after Trinity

Job 23.1-9, 16-end; Hebrews 4.12-end; Mark 10.2-16

Hymns: 289, 105, 290, 205, 207

08:00 St John's: BCP

10:00 St John's: Holy Communion

**Dates for the Diary** 

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October: St Cuthbert Mayne's School

7pm: Bishop Robert "Next Steps" strategy to deanery

Sunday 10th October: St John's

10am: Harvest Service

Saturday 16th October: St John's

10.15am: PCC Meeting

Sunday 18th October: St John's

2.30pm: Prayer Group

Sunday 31st October: St John's

6pm: All Souls Service with anointing and prayer

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### **Parish of Paignton**

St John the Baptist, Paignton St Boniface, Paignton



## SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021 18th Sunday after Trinity

**Pew sheet:** Today's readings are the same as last week. This is not a mistake as last week we heard an update from the Through Faith Mission team rather than a full sermon on the reading which today will come from Revd John. The readings for the 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity are also listed. We also hope to make the pew sheet available weekly on the website for download.

**Harvest:** We will be having a Harvest Service on the 10<sup>th</sup> October. Please bring tinned produce and dried goods along for the Paignton Community Larder and ... bring a friend along to join in with those timeless hymns.

Wednesday Soup Lunch: We are looking to start a soup lunch after the service on Wednesdays commencing towards the end of October; please speak to Fr Neil or the church wardens if you are interested in helping get this underway.

**Parish Magazine:** The final monthly magazine is available for collection at the rear of church; we also hope to make it available on the website for download. When a communications group is formed it is hoped a replacement might emerge.

**St Andrew's Church:** We will be shortly clearing some of the final items from St Andrew's church in readiness for the Bay Church renovations including items such as wooden pew chairs which you may want to acquire; more details to follow please watch this space.

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

- All who find it hard to make friends or who have been betrayed or deserted by a loved one;
- All who face violence in their homes or at work and feel unable to trust the people around them;
- All who need help and courage to listen, understand and forgive others so all can encounter and build a loving relationship with God;
- All who need God's love and protection including ourselves, but most especially for those in need or suffering including;

Beverly, Ron

The families and friends of those who have died recently including:

Alfred Bennett

and any whose anniversary of death fall at this time. Eileen Leonard, Marjorie Davis, Charles Williams

<u>Pew Sheet items:</u> to include items or a prayer request for yourself or someone else please contact the Fr Neil via email: frneilknox@gmail.com or ring 01803 551866.

Deadline 6pm Thursday.

# Sunday

## 3rd October 2021 - 18th Sunday after Trinity

#### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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.

#### Esther 7.1-6,9,10, 9.20-22 Page 414 of the ESV bible

## Psalm 26

## Redeem me, and be merciful to me, O Lord

Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have walked | with integrity; I have trusted in the Lord and | have not faltered.

Test me O | Lord, and try me; examine my heart | and my mind.

For your love is be | fore my eyes; I have walked | in your truth. I have not joined the company | of the false, nor consorted with | the deceitful.

I have hated the gathe | ring of evildoers; I will not sit down | with the wicked

I will wash my hands in inno cence, O Lord, that I may go a bout your altar.

To make heard the voice | of thanksgiving and tell of all your won | derful deeds.

Lord, I love the house of your | habitation in which you dwell and the place where your glo | ry abides.

Sweep me not a | way with sinners, nor my life | with the bloodthirsty Whose hands are full of | wicked schemes and their right hand | full of bribes.

As for me, I will walk | with integrity; redeem me, Lord, and be mer | ciful to me.

My foot | stands firm; in the great congregation I will | bless the Lord.

#### James 5.13-20

Page 1013 of the ESV bible

#### Mark 9:38-50

38 John said to him, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.' 39 But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. 40 Whoever is not against us is for us. 41 For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. 42 'If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. 43 If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. 45 And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. 47 And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, 48 where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. 49 'For everyone will be salted with fire. 50 Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.'

## 18th Sunday after Trinity

- ➤ Job 1.1,2.1-10,
- Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12
- Mark 10.2-16

## Mark 10.2-16 Study Notes

Jesus is now in Judea (or east of the Jordan, in Perea.) Mosaic law permitted a man to divorce his wife (but not a woman her husband) for cause, but the grounds were unclear. The Pharisees were divided re the legality of divorce as well as the grounds for it, so their question is a

trap. Deuteronomy 24:1-4 says (in part) that a man may simply "write a certificate of dismissal" (v. 4), without legal proceedings. (That book was seen as Moses' teaching.) In vv. 5-8, Jesus says: Moses allowed divorce as a concession to human weakness, but God's original plan was that marriage be for life: man and wife are "one flesh"; my stance is God's plan, not Mosaic law. In this plan, remarriage is either literally "adultery" (vv. 11-12) or a deviation from God's ways. (Sometimes a wife, in effect, divorced her husband. Elsewhere Jesus accepts that a man may divorce an unfaithful wife.) Vv. 13-16 tell about the kingdom of God and the kind of people who will be admitted to it. People wish Jesus to "touch" (v. 13) their children, to lay hands on them and bless them (v. 16). Jesus is "indignant" (v. 14) at the disciples' inability to understand him and the nature of the Kingdom. Children are receptive; a child has no status, makes no claim to power. Whoever is not receptive to God's gifts will not enter the kingdom. There is no place there for human status and power.

## Once you are settled

Read the passage slowly and reflectively

 Note anything that particularly strikes you, and refer to the notes if they are helpful. Spend a few moments in quiet reflection

### Questions for reflection:

- 1. The pharisees put Jesus to the test: have you ever put God to the test?
- 2. Like them, have you experienced a hardening of heart in your faith?
- 3. Have you witnessed people being stopped from forming a relationship with God by a 'Christian' disciple speaking to them sternly or something similar?
- 4. How should we respond in each of these cases?

Read the passage for a final time and give thanks to God for the gift of his holy word.

Finish by saying the Collect of the day.