I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you.

For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

This is the word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke 17.5-10 GLORY TO YOU, O LORD!

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST!

Post Communion

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

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The Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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.

Amen.

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Habakkuk

1.1-4, 2.1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the right-eous—therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

This is the Word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Timothy

1.1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, to Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

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Prayer of preparation

Spirit of God, come among us, work within us.

Breathe life into our worship, love into our hearts, and light into our witness. Cleanse us and make us new. Touch us and make us whole. Receive our worship in Jesus' name. Amen

Holy Trinity church is open everyday

for private prayer and reflection from 10.00am to 4.00pm.

Children from Nursery age upwards are encouraged to join the Junior Church which meets in the Trinity Room, except when there is an 'all-age' service. Parents are welcome too! They go out to JC after the Collect prayer and return for Communion. There is a children's corner for tots at the front of church with toys, books and colouring, to be used under your own supervision. Toilets and baby change facilities are available through the Trinity Room.

Our services are live streamed. Cameras are focused on those leading the service. Any images of the congregation will be distant or in passing. Please sit on the far left if you wish to remain off camera.

Services Today

8.00am BCP Communion

10.00am Parish Eucharist

Leading and Revd Ian Pankhurst

Hymns HON 19, 251, 678, 675 **Communion** 141, 560.

Junior Church Sarah & Roni

This Sunday Tim Bourne is preaching at All Saints, Kings Langley; Revd Dr Diana is on leave this weekend.



This Week at Holy Trinity

Monday 6th October

7.30pm CA Group

Wednesday 8th October

10am Morning Prayer 2pm Craft Group

Thursday 9th October

10am Toddler & Babies' Church

Friday 10th October

10am Harvest Service Leverstock Green School

7pm Choir Practice

Saturday 11th October

10am-12 Coffee Shop

6pm HT's Got Talent! & Harvest Supper

Please let Diana know if you would like anything included in the bulletin.

Sunday 12th October Harvest Festival

10.00am All-Age Harvest Eucharist

Readings: Deut 25.1-11 Phil 4.4-9 John 6.25-35

16th Sunday after Trinity

PRAYERS

... for the Ministry team, especially for Revd David Jones and his family, Janey, Hannah and Autumn, as they prepare to join us.

... for the sick: Eileen Adams, June Buxton, Laurence Blythe, Barbara Chapman, Greg Coulshed, Phyllis Duncan, Amelie Flatt, Rich Gibbs, Kay Hawes, Linda Maynard, Rachel O. Florence Portugal, David Roberts, Pamela Sanvoisin, Alison Parkyns, Martin Meredith, Anne Ball, Sue Page, Abbie, Evelyn, Iain and

... for the departed: We pray for the repose of the souls of the recently departed, especially Barry Dixon, Colin Hollick and those whose anniversary falls at this time. We pray for their families and friends and all who mourn.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 11th October 6pm - HT's Got Talent! and Harvest Supper.

Sunday 12th October 10am - All-Age Harvest Festival service. The service will include a collection of tinned and long-life goods for the food bank. Our cash collection will be supporting the Bishop's Harvest Appeal. Tuesday 14th October 7.30pm - Installation of Revd David Jones at St Mary's. Please let Sue in the Office know if you are comina. **Sunday 19th October 6pm** - TYG (The Youth Group) for children school year 6 and over. Contact Diana to find out more.

Morning services ground the team

All are welcome to mid-week Morning Prayer and Holy Communion services Tuesdays St Benedict's - 9am MP Thursdays St Mary's - 9am MP, 9.30am HC All Saints - 9am MP, 9.30am HC Fridays

All that we do to support our community would not be possible without your generous donations. If you would like to support our work financially please follow the link from this QR code:



NOTICES

Confirmation Course

There is still time to join the confirmation course, aiming for the Confirmation Service on the 23rd Nov 6.30pm at St John's Boxmoor, Contact Diana if interested.

Help needed - coffee rotas

We have gaps on the rota for Coffee Shop on Saturday 11th and for coffee after communion next Sunday (12th). If you can help please talk to Beverley.

Help wanted - cleaning rota!

There are spaces on the church cleaning rota which need filling. If you are able to help then please talk to Gillian.

Talent Show and Harvest Supper

On the 11th October at 6pm our Harvest Supper will also feature HT's Got Talent! Led by our very own TYG. All ages and levels of talent are welcome to enter. Reaister your act using the QR code below, or by talking to Diana or Miles. Whether or not you have an act, please come along to support the event. Tickets include the harvest supper and are £8 for adults, £4 for children. Tickets can be purchased from Gillian 07770 874744.

