

Parish of Seale, Puttenham & Wanborough

SUNDAY Supplement

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Sunday 3rd September – Trinity 13

Today's Services

- 9.00 am** Holy Communion at St Bartholomew, Wanborough
10.30 am Morning Prayer at St John the Baptist, Puttenham
10.30 am Holy Communion and Baptism at St Laurence, Seale
6.00 pm Virtual Compline, by Zoom

For all zoom services please use this link: [Church Services](#), then enter Passcode: 2022

Or by phone - dial one of the following: 0203 901 7895 ; 0208 080 6591

Meeting ID: 81259506242 – then enter Passcode 2022, followed by # when asked
(you may need to repeat the last step)

Download Order of Service here: [Virtual Compline](#)

Today's Readings

- Morning** HC: Romans 12.9-21 ; Matthew 16.21-28
MP: Psalm 115 ; Jonah 3.1-9 ; Revelation 3.14-22
- Evening:** C: Matthew 16.21-28

Prayer for this week

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.**

FROM THE RECTORY DESK

The Bible is full of signs and wonders, from the prophets in the Old Testament to Jesus and the apostles in the New Testament, signs and wonders followed them. But as we look to the church in our own time, is there evidence of signs and wonders? And should we be looking for them? Whilst it is clear from the teachings of Jesus that we should not be seeking signs and wonders, salvation is by faith and grace alone, nevertheless we live out our faith under the power and authority of the Holy Spirit and that means the gifts of the Holy Spirit are operational in our time as they are in every generation of Christian believers. You can expect great and miraculous things to happen when the Holy Spirit empowers the Christian church and is present in the lives of Christians.



Signs and wonders then are not the target of our Christian experiences but the consequence of it. The Holy Spirit is the dynamic difference, and it balances out the integrity of what it means to be a Christian. It was Tom Smail who famously said “too much of the Holy Spirit without theology and you blow up, too much theology without the Holy Spirit and you dry up” both extremes are undesirable. We need the right measure of both, in order to recognise and validate the miraculous and supernatural definitions of contemporary signs and wonders that bless our Christian discipleship.

Some of the signs and wonders are happening around us every day and as Jesus pointed out to his disciples, they are already there to be discerned often the result of eschatological prophetic insight and wisdom, sadly we are often too preoccupied with secular living to notice the signs and wonders of our own age.

Blessings,

Rector



Caroline & Patrick Yarnold

Farmers and Horticultural Growers

The Fishing Industry

Royal National Lifeboat Institute

Staff, Pupils, and students as they return to full time education.

A meaningful response to our Alpha initiative

Under GDPR rules we need permission to name verbally or in print anyone who is ill and needs our prayers, so please let us know if we can pray for you.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Tue 5 Sep 12.00 – 2.00 pm Shepherd's Rest Café at The Good Shepherd, The Sands (and every Tuesday)
Wed 6 Sep 2.00 pm Bible Hub at The Good Shepherd, The Sands

Services next Sunday – 10th September

Trinity 14

9.00 am Holy Communion at The Good Shepherd, The Sands
10.30 am Holy Communion and Baptism at St John the Baptist, Puttenham
10.30 am Shoe Box Harvest Thanksgiving at St Laurence, Seale
6.00 pm Virtual Compline, by Zoom

Please note, future 6.00 pm Zoom church services will be Compline, using the morning's Gospel text for reflection.

FUTURE EVENTS

Wed 13 Sep 2.00 – 4.30 pm Tower Café at St John the Baptist, Puttenham (and the second Wednesday of each month)
Sun 24 Sep 10.30 am Harvest Communion at St John the Baptist, Puttenham
Sat 14 Oct 4.30 pm Imperial College Chamber Choir concert at St John the Baptist, Puttenham (*followed by canapés*)
Sat 18 Nov 6.30 pm Organ Recital at St John the Baptist, Puttenham (*mulled wine at 6.30 pm; recital commences 7.00 pm*)



Please contact the Rector if you are unable to attend church and would like to receive Communion at home. Also, contact the Rector if you would like a visit from our Lay Pastoral Visitors.

GIFTING TO THE CHURCH

BY BANK TRANSFER OR STANDING ORDER: to the SPWPCC bank account, which is at Lloyds Bank, Farnham, sort code 30 93 20, account number 02210758, (do include your name for reference).



BY CHEQUE: Send to the Treasurer, c/o The Rectory, Elstead Road, Seale, Farnham, GU10 1JA. Contact the Churchwardens for Gift Aid forms and increase the value of your giving.

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Please contact any member of the Ministry or Pastoral team if you are anxious, lonely or would like a spiritual or social chat.

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You can contact Anne confidentially if you have any safeguarding concerns.