St Thomas Osbaldwick with St James Murton

Sunday 14th August 2022



All are Welcome





Church Diary and Events

August

SUNDAY 14th NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10am Holy Communion at St Thomas's

4pm Evening Prayer at St James's

Thursday 18th 10-12noon Coffee Drop In at St

Thomas's

SUNDAY 21th TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10am Family Communion at St Thomas's

SUNDAY 28th ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10am Holy Communion

Next Sunday

Sadly, we say goodbye to Jack Booth, one of our Readers, as he moves to Scotland the following day. Please keep Jack in your prayers as he enters this new stage in his life.

Following review of our 'Covid Risk Assessment':

Only if you feel comfortable in doing so - please share the peace to people nearby by shaking hands;

We will revert to gathering around the altar to receive communion:

The sacrament will be available in both kinds, by intinction.

This will be explained in more detail prior to the start of next Sunday's service.

Sunday Reflection

Every week the York Diocese offers a new reflective prayer video for your personal use. This week the Archdeacon of Cleveland, the Ven Dr Amanda Bloor, reflects on Luke 12:49-56, for Trinity 9, Sunday 14th August. For the reflection please go to:

vimeo.com/dioceseofyork.

Prayers and Prayer Pointers for the Week

Monday 15th August

Today, our prayers are for political and world leaders – all the people in charge of big and difficult conversations about how our nations relate to each other, how we seek to maintain or strive for peace, how we can make the

world a better, safer place for everyone.

You might like to pray for your own MP, but why not use this as an opportunity to find out about a leader – either in your own country or somewhere else – who you don't know about.

Tuesday 16th August

Who are you grateful for, who has been part of your story, even though they may not be with you today?

Take a few minutes this day to give thanks for them, to pray for them – if they are still alive – and to help you learn again the lessons they have to share.

Wednesday 17th August

God is everywhere, if only you could be still enough to notice. Today, your challenge is to notice.

Look for God in the sunrise, the birdsong, the taste of pizza, the comfort of your sofa, the embrace of a loved one, a text message that makes you smile...whatever it is. - Notice.

Thursday 18th August

Today, one of the patron saints celebrated in some traditions is Saint Inan who is said to have come from the island of Iona. The Iona Community continues to be an important resource of spiritual and prayerful resources today. You might like to use their prayers for peace in Ukraine today, and explore their website for other ideas: iona.org.uk/prayers-for-the-people-ofukraine

Friday 19th August

One of the images we have of the Holy Spirit is that of a wild goose. Beautiful in flight, slightly dangerous to approach, wild and a little unpredictable –

perhaps you have a story about the Spirit that echoes this?
-Today, why not pray into some of the more unpredictable and difficult areas of your life. Is God working through those areas / spaces?
Saturday 20th August

God is here, in this space.

I am seeking to worship, to grow and to learn.

God of all love,

Help me to notice you, here in this space that I occupy,

Show me how to follow you.

Amen.

Closing Prayer

May Almighty God give me strength to run the race that is set before me, give me power and hope to persevere to the end; and may God the Creator, the Christ and the Spirit be with me always. Amen

Collect and Readings for 9th Sunday of Trinity

Collect (Prayer for the week)

Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your
grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the
Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
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.

Jeremiah 23:23-29

"Am I a God near by," says the Lord, "and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them?" says the Lord. "Do I not fill heaven and earth?" says the Lord. "I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat?" says the Lord. "Is not my word like fire," says the Lord, "and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?"

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Luke 12:49—56

Jesus said to his disciples; 'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to Christ our Lord.



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy Father,

who gathered us here around the table of your Son

to share this meal with the whole household of God:

in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace,

gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Other readings for today: Psalm 82. Hebrews 11: 29—12: 2.

Readings for next Sunday 21st August 2022: Isaiah 58:9b—14. Psalm 103:1 . Hebrews 12:18—29. Luke 13:10—17

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