ARCH Group's aim: "To show our love for God and You"

Weekly Notices

11th November 2018

Remembrance Sunday

We will remember them

This Week's Activities

Monday: Stop date for December/January issue of the ARCH Messenger

7.30 pm Faith Today at *****, Harvington

Tuesday: 8.30 am Prayers at Church Lench

6.30 pm HYP:CAS at Harvington Baptist Church

Wednesday: 3.00 pm CAMEO tea in St James', Harvington

Thursday: 6.30 pm HYP:Adventurers at Harvington Baptist Church

6.30 pm "What do you think God is doing in Harvington" discussion at Ellenden Farm Shop café

Craft evening at Rous Lench Village Hall

Friday: 7.00 pm Film night at Harvington Village Hall

Pub night at Rous Lench Village Hall

Saturday: 9.30 am St James' gardening team working in church gardens

11.00 am Christmas Fayre at Abbots Morton Village Hall

2.00 pm Local craft and vintage sale at Rous Lench Village Hall

Future Activities: November

Monday 19th 7.00 pm Lenches WI meeting at Church Lench Village Hall

Tuesday $20^{\rm th}$ 9.30 am & 10.30 am 'Live music for little ones' at Ellenden Farm Shop café

 $6.30\ \mathrm{pm}$ "What do you think God is doing in Rous Lench" discussion at Rous Lench Village Hall

Wednesday 21st 12.30pm Workers' lunch at Ellenden Farm Shop café

Thursday 22nd Home communions

8.00 pm Men's Night at the "Golden Cross," Harvington Craft evening at Rous Lench Village Hall

Saturday 24th 9.00 am Benefice prayers at The Rectory, Harvington

10.00 am Festive coffee morning at Harvington Village Hall

2.30 pm Christmas Fayre at Church Lench Village Hall

Want to publicise an activity here?

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Next Week's Services: Sunday 18th November 2018

8.30 am	Church Lench	Holy Communion*
9.30 am	Harvington	Family Service
10.30 am	Rous Lench	Family Service
11.00 am	Abbots Morton	Morning Service
6.00 nm	Harvington	Tolaó

6.00 pm Harvington Taizé

Today's Collect

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

For Prayer

God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, we give you thanks

Give thanks for all the Saints and the spiritual legacy they have left us

Pray for all those who have suffered as a result of war: the bereaved and the wounded; those who have been disabled, both physically and mentally; and those who care for them

Pray that we may steer politicians away from aggression and towards cooperation between nations

Pray for us all to take care of one another and this planet with wisdom and imagination

Give thanks for the beauty of autumn and the changing seasons

This Week's First Reading: Jonah 3:1-10

¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²'Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.' ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, 'Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!' ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

⁶When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. ⁷Then he had a proclamation made in Nineveh:

'By the decree of the king and his nobles: No human being or animal, no herd or flock, shall taste anything. They shall not feed, nor shall they drink water. Human beings and animals shall be covered with sackcloth, and they shall cry mightily to God. All shall turn from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands. Who knows? God may relent and change his mind; he may turn from his fierce anger, so that we do not perish.'

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

I am collecting unwanted jewellery for the sewing group in Tunguli, Tanzania. A box will be available for donations at Sunday services in Church Lench and Harvington during November and December. The jewellery will be sold to raise funds for materials to make clothes.

Thank you for your support.

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This Week's Psalm: *62:5-12*

- Wait on God alone in stillness, O my soul; for in him is my hope.
- 6 He alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.
- 7 In God is my strength and my glory; God is my strong rock; in him is my refuge.
- 8 Put your trust in him always, my people; pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.
- 9 The peoples are but a breath, the whole human race a deceit; on the scales they are altogether lighter than air.
- 10 Put no trust in oppression; in robbery take no empty pride; though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.
- 11 God spoke once, and twice have I heard the same, that power belongs to God.
- 12 Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord, for you repay everyone according to their deeds.

This Week's Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

²⁴Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; ²⁶for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once,

Hebrews 9:24-28 continued

and after that the judgement, ²⁸so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

This Week's Gospel Reading: Mark 1:14-20

¹⁴After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake – for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.' ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Next Week's First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

In the third year of King Cyrus a word was revealed to Daniel. ¹'At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.'

Next Week's Psalm: Psalm 16:1-10

- 1 Preserve me, O God, for in you have I taken refuge; I have said to the Lord, 'You are my lord, all my good depends on you.'
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble in heart.
- 3 Though the idols are legion that many run after, their drink offerings of blood I will not offer, neither make mention of their names upon my lips.
- 4 The Lord himself is my portion and my cup; in your hands alone is my fortune.
- 5 My share has fallen in a fair land; indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 6 I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel, and in the night watches he instructs my heart.
- 7 I have set the Lord always before me; he is at my right hand; I shall not fall.
- 8 Wherefore my heart is glad and my spirit rejoices; my flesh also shall rest secure.
- 9 For you will not abandon my soul to Death, nor suffer your faithful one to see the Pit.
- 10 You will show me the path of life; in your presence is the fullness of joy and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Next Week's Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

¹¹Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God', ¹³and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.' ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

¹⁹Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us approach with a true heart in

Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25 continued

full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Next Week's Gospel Reading: Mark 13:1-8

¹As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' ²Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.'

³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁵Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. ¬When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.'