

Sunday 14th June - Second Sunday after Trinity

Today's Collect

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion Prayer

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.

Next Week Services: Sunday 21st June

10:00am	Harvington	Church @10
10:00am	Norton & Lenchwick	Holy Communion
11:00am	Church Lench	Holy Communion BCP
11:00am	Abbots Morton	Holy Communion
Mid-week Eucharist: 11:00am Wednesdays at St James', Harvington		

Events

- Church Lench School **Summer Fete** -13th June, 12:20 - 2:30pm.
- Rous Lench **Annual Pig Roast**– 27th June. Willing helpers can contact Fran on Herdmanfrances@gmail.com.
- **Annual Flower Festival WEEKEND** – 26th to 28th June, Theme is 'A Journey Through Time', If you'd like to take part please contact pippa@p1g.co.uk or look at the website for more information.
- **Flower Fest Concert!** –26th June, 7:30pm, All Saints Church, Church Lench. Tickets £10, Kids under 12 FREE. Contact Lyndall on 8719325 for more info.
- **Harvington Singers Concert** – 26th&27thJune, 7:30pm,St.James' Harvington
- **Bring & Share Lunch**– 28th June,12:30pm, Abbots Morton Village Hall.
- **Annual Pig Roast** – 27th June, 5-10pm, Rous Lench Village Green. Fabulous Evening of fresh food, drinks, music, tombola & raffle. Great Family Occasion!

This Week's First Reading: *Exodus 19.2-8a*

² They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. ³ Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: ⁴ You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵ Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine,⁶ but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.'

⁷ So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him.

⁸ The people all answered as one: 'Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do.' Moses then reported the words of the people to the Lord .

This Weeks Psalm: *Psalms 100*

1 O be joyful in the Lord, all the earth; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

2 Know that the Lord is God; it is he that has made us and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and bless his name.

4 For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting, and his faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

This Week's Second Reading: *Romans 5.1-8*

⁵ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance,⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,

Continued: *Romans 5.1-8.*

⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die.⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

This Week's Gospel Reading: *Matthew 9.35-10.8 (9-23).*

³⁵ Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness.³⁶ When he saw crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few;³⁸ therefore I ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

¹⁰ Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, casting them out to cure every disease and sickness.² The twelve apostles: First, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John;³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus;⁴ Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.⁵ Jesus sent them out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans,⁶ but go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.⁷ As you go, proclaim news that "The kingdom of heaven has come near."⁸ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, and cast out demons. You received without payment; now give without payment. (Matthew 9-22)²³ When they prosecute you in one town, flee to the next; For truly I tell you, you won't have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

Next Weeks Readings: *Jeremiah 20.7-13, Psalm 69.8-11, Romans 6.1-11, Matthew 10.24-39.*

Prayer of Intercession

Loving Lord, when Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, for they were weary and lost. We pray for the Church worldwide. Empower your people with a spirit of deep empathy. Give our clergy and lay leaders the grace to bring healing to the sick, care for the marginalized, and boldly proclaim your good news.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Prince of Peace, we pray for the leaders of all nations. In a world facing division, poverty, and conflict, guide our governments and industries to enact policies rooted in justice and equality. We pray for the work of the United Nations and all organizations striving to build safe, peaceful communities.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Father, we lift up to you our local neighbourhoods, workplaces, and families. We pray for local charities, healthcare workers, food banks, and volunteers who step forward to help those in need. Open our eyes to the people around us who feel isolated or weary and show us how to be a supportive presence in their lives.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Compassionate Healer, we bring before you all who are battling sickness, disease, or mental anguish. We pray for those experiencing loneliness, financial hardship, or bereavement. In a moment of quiet, we remember those known to us personally who need your comforting and restoring touch today. Wrap them in your peace and strength.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Triune God, we thank you for the example of all your saints and those who have gone before us. We remember those who have recently died and those whose anniversaries fall at this time. Comfort those who mourn them and grant us all the promise of eternal life in your presence.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, you have called us to labour in your harvest. As we go into the coming week, help us to freely give what we have freely received.

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**