

THE FLAME

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The **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY** after TRINITY

2nd September 2018

THIS MORNING'S READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT READING - *Deuteronomy 4.1-2, 6-9 (NRSV)*

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

NEW TESTAMENT READING - *James 1.17-end (NRSV)*

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act - they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

THE HOLY GOSPEL - *Mark 7.1-8, 14, 15, 21-23 (NRSV)*

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, "This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines." You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.' Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.' For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

WELCOME

WELCOME to the Parish of Baildon. You will find an accessible toilet in each of our three churches/halls and hearing loops are fitted.



TODAY'S SERVICES

ST HUGH'S CHURCH at 9.00am

Hymns: Sheet 1, CP 174, 533, 538

ST JOHN'S CHURCH at 10.00am

~ See Service Booklet ~

ST JAMES' CHURCH at 10.30am

Hymns: Sheet 1, CP 174, 470,

sheet 2 and CP 538

ST JOHN'S CHURCH at 6.00pm

Holy Communion



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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Merciful God,
your Son came to save us
and bore our sins on the cross:
may we trust in your mercy
and know your love,
rejoicing in the righteousness
that is ours through
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God,
the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles'
teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer
and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy
and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Joint Parish
Confirmation Service
Sunday 16th September
St John's Church

NOTICES

SCARECROW FESTIVAL - The Baildon Scarecrow Festival takes place on Saturday 8th September. Tea, coffee and cake will be provided in St John's Church Hall between 10.00am and 4.00pm.

PARISH PICNIC - Our annual Parish Picnic is on Sunday 9th September in Roberts Park. Everybody is welcome to come along and enjoy games and activities suitable for every age. Meet at the entrance to Roberts Park at 12.30pm. Don't forget to bring your picnic and a rug. We'll decamp to St Hugh's in the case of wet weather.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE - Our next Joint Parish Service is on Sunday 16th September at St John's Church when Bishop Toby will be presiding and confirming candidates in this special service.

HARVEST - Our next 5th Sunday Service is on 30th September at 10am and it is St John's turn to host this. It is the perfect opportunity to celebrate our Harvest Festival as it is a joint parish service, followed by a bring and share lunch (more details to come). As this is a joint parish service please note that there will be no other services in the parish on this day.

SEPTEMBER CHARITY OF THE MONTH:

The Alzheimer's Society - World Alzheimer's Day is on 21st September and this month is the 7th year of the international campaign World Alzheimer's Month to raise awareness and challenge the stigma that surrounds dementia. Here in the U.K. the Alzheimer's Society provides information, advice and support to those affected by dementia. It campaigns to raise awareness of dementia and build 'dementia friendly' communities. It also funds cutting edge dementia research. Please give generously. There are collecting buckets for donations in all three of our churches during September.

YORKSHIRE EVENING - Come along to our Yorkshire Evening on Saturday, 22nd September at St John's Church Hall from 7.30pm, with a slide show of 'Old Baildon', Yorkshire quiz, raffle and pie and pea supper. Tickets cost £6.00 and are available from Mike and Tish Lawson (01274 586644/mikeandtish@hotmail.co.uk).

LET'S BEAT HOLIDAY HUNGER - Thanks for your support and donations for our holiday hunger scheme. We provided 180 lunches over the summer holidays. Quite an achievement! We don't need any more donations for this scheme now but please keep helping us by sending non-perishable items for our food bank at St Hugh's.

FUTURE OF IAN CLOUGH HALL - Baildon Town Council is seeking your views about the future of the Ian Clough Hall. Complete a form online at baildowntowncouncil.gov.uk or fill in a survey (available at the back of church), hand to a member of the clergy or drop it at the Council's office in Baildon Library.

SHOEBOX APPEAL - This year, as usual, we will be supporting Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Appeal. Shoeboxes will be available after our Harvest Festival which takes place on Sunday 30th September at 10am at St John's. Collect your shoebox and a leaflet with details of how to fill your box during refreshments in the church hall after the service.

STUART TOWNEND CONCERT - Stuart Townend is one of today's leading worship songwriters. Churches around the world sing his hymns including 'In Christ alone', 'How deep the Father's love' and 'The power of the cross'. Hear him perform with his band when his Courage Tour 2018 comes to Keighley Shared Church on Sunday 23rd September. The concert starts at 7.30pm (doors open at 7.00pm). Tickets cost £15 adults, £12 concessions and are available: online - www.airedalemethodists.org email - tickets@airedalemethodists.org phone - 07968 618312. Alternatively, if you would like to have a ticket booked for you, or you need transport, please contact Reverend Sandra on 01274 589005.

CONSENT FORMS - If you are a member of our PCC or one of our sub-committees, you will have received a correspondence from our PCC Secretary regarding consent to use your personal contact information. Please respond as quickly as possible as we need to circulate members lists and can't until everyone consents or declines.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH DIARY

THIS SUNDAY: *The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity*

- 8.30am **Holy Communion** at St John's Church
- 9.00am **Junior Choir rehearsal** in St John's Church Hall
- 9.00am **Holy Communion** at St Hugh's Church
- 10.00am **Family Worship** at St John's Church
- 10.30am **Holy Communion** at St James' Church
- 12.30pm **Messy Church Picnic** in Roberts Park
- 6.00pm **Holy Communion** at St John's Church

MONDAY:

- 7.00am **Finance and Buildings C'mmtt** in the Cranmer Room
- 7.30pm **Confirmation Preparation session** at St James'

TUESDAY:

- 9.30am **Morning Prayer** at St Hugh's Church
- 6.00pm **Vestry Hour** (arrangement of banns, baptisms etc) in St John's Church Hall

WEDNESDAY:

- 10.00am **The Eucharist (CW)** at St James' Church
- 7.30pm **Julian Meeting** in the Cranmer Room
- 7.30pm **Confirmation Preparation** at St James' Church

SATURDAY:

- 10.00am **Scarecrow Festival Refreshments** in St John's Hall

NEXT SUNDAY: *The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity*

- 8.30am **Holy Communion** at St John's Church
- 9.00am **Holy Communion** at St Hugh's Church
- 10.00am **Holy Communion** at St John's Church
- 10.30am **Café-style worship** at St James' Church
- 12.30pm **Parish Picnic** in Roberts Park
- 3.15pm **Blessing of a child** at St John's Church
- 6.00pm **Worship and Conversation** at St James' Church