

## Notices

**Teas in the garden** Thank you to everyone who helped in any way to make teas in the garden at The Vicarage last Sunday such a success. Generous donations totalling £205 were received.

**New Team Vicar** The Revd Kirsty Clarke will be licensed to her new post by the Bishop of Sherborne in a special service at 5pm on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September in St James' Church. Please do come along and welcome her to our Team.

**Lunch at St Mary's** continues on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August from 12.30-2.00pm. Families of children at Motcombe School are welcome to join us for lunch in the church. There will be no charge. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Everyone is welcome but booking is essential. Contact Revd Pam, Liz Pocock or Gill Waine.

**Two choirs, one concert** The Gravellers and Palida will be in concert at St Mary's, Motcombe, at 4.00pm on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September in aid of The Friends of North Dorset Refuge. Afternoon tea will be served, and entry is free, but donations will go towards the work of the refuge.

**Ride and Stride** Don't forget to plan a cycle or walk for the Dorset Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September and raise money for the many lovely churches, including our own. More information and sponsorship forms from Simon Hutchinson 854290.

**Service of Remembrance** for those killed or injured on Dorset roads will be held at Wimborne Minster on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 11am, led by Bishop Karen and Dorset police chaplains. Everyone welcome.

**A Deanery Service** will be at 11.00am on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at St Mary the Virgin, Gillingham, led by the Archdeacon. It is hoped that as many as possible from our congregations will attend. There will **not** be a service in Motcombe on that day.

**A Church yard clean-up** will be held on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September from 10.00am to 12.00, followed by a 'Thank You' BBQ in the church yard. All are welcome to come along and have a go at clearing some of our horrid brambles and generally tidying up. Please bring any garden implements you think may be useful. Then relax and enjoy the BBQ. To book contact secretarybvdeanery@gmail.com

**Notices** for next week's pew sheet should be sent by Wednesday to Dennis Rink email: dennis.rink@gmail.com

## WELCOME to St Mary's Church, Motcombe

**Newcomers and visitors are welcome. Please stay for refreshments and a chat after the service.**

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August  
10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

9.30am Parish Communion Revd Pam Rink

### Events this Week

Morning prayer is said at 8.30am Monday to Wednesday and on Saturday. Holy Communion is said every Thursday at 10.00am – all are welcome.

Thursday 10.00 am Holy Communion  
7.30 pm Bell-ringers' Practice

**Next Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September  
11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

11.15am Parish Communion (BCP) Revd Pam Rink  
2.00pm Baptism of Jacob Down Revd Pam Rink

**For more information on church activities, or if you would like to get in touch regarding any other matter, please contact**

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## Collect

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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.

## First reading: *Isaiah 58.9b-14*

Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honourable; if you honour it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

## Second reading: *Hebrews 12.18-29*

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore,

since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

## Gospel reading: *Luke 13.10-17*

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

## Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Please pray for:

- ✠ those who live in Motcombe Park, Sherborne Causeway, Shaftesbury Road and Blackmore Vale Park.
- ✠ the Revd Kirsty Clarke and her family as they prepare to move to Shaftesbury and join our Team
- ✠ let us remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries fall at this time. Pray for all who mourn the loss of loved ones, that God will be with them in times of darkness and strengthen them with his love.

## Let give thanks for:

- ✠ those who lead intercessions at our services
- ✠ those who maintain the churchyard: weeding, mowing the grass, tidying and sweeping

**To whom shall I turn?** If at any time you feel the need to talk or pray with someone please telephone or email Revd Pam, Christopher Hooper, the Lay Minister (LLM), Gill Waine or Ann Surtees, the Lay Pastoral Assistants (LPAs), Gill or Liz, the church wardens. All contacts are overleaf.