

Notices

Services across the Team next week – 26th September

9.30am	St Peter's	Parish Communion
9.30am	Motcombe	Parish Communion
11.15am	Melbury Abbas	Parish Communion
6.00pm	St James'	Reflective Evening Communion

St. John's, Enmore Green are holding a Coffee morning on the 25 September for McMillan Cancer in the church Hall from 10.00am to 12 noon. As an extra we are having a cake sale so if anyone would like to help us we would appreciate it. We can collect or cakes can be delivered to St. John's as it is open between 10.00 and 4.00pm every day.

A Scarecrow Festival is being held in St Peter's over the Harvest weekend: 2nd Oct, 10-4 & 3rd Oct, 10.30-4. The festival will be open to the public. Entry is free with donations to church funds. A soup lunch will be served in the Church Hall on Saturday from 12 noon. If you would like to make a scarecrow, or can help with stewarding over the two days, please call Gill Stokes on 855753. Do join in the fun!

Changes to Team Office Opening Hours: From September the Team Office opening hours will be changing slightly. So, from Monday 6th September the Office will be open as follows:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9am – 12 noon
Tuesday: 2.00pm – 5.00pm

The Team Office will be closed from 27th September – 1st October inclusive. Barbara apologizes that she is in and out so much over September – everything has landed in the same month! But she will then be on duty right through until Christmas.

Children's Society Annual Quiz Night Saturday 2nd October at 7pm Motcombe Village Hall. Form a team of up to six people. Tickets are available from Karen Dickson on 07786490816 OR by mailing shaftesburycsoc@yahoo.com with your name, phone number and number of tickets. Tickets £12 and include a ploughman's, dessert, tea/coffee. Please bring your own wine.



Team Pew Sheet

Sunday 19th September

16th Sunday after Trinity

Readings

Isaiah 50.4-9a

James 3.1-12

Mark 8.27-38

Psalms 116.1-8

Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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 forever.

Post Communion

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the sick: for those in our Team parishes; for all residents in our local care and nursing homes and for the staff there who care for them, and for the staff and patients of the Westminster Hospital.

For those who have died.

For our community.

For the world: For all places where there is conflict and in particular for Syria, Turkey, Iraq, and the Middle East for peace and concern for all people.

For our link diocese of Lui in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. For their Bishop, Stephen and all who are part of God's church in that place.

First Reading – Jeremiah 11.18-20

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew;
then you showed me their evil deeds.
But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.
And I did not know it was against me
that they devised schemes, saying,
'Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
so that his name will no longer be remembered!'
But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously,
who try the heart and the mind,
let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

Second Reading - James 3.13 – 4.3,7-8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

Gospel - Mark 9.30-37

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

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Items for the Team Pew Sheet should be emailed to the Team Office
by 12 noon on Thursday