

Bewsborough Bulletin

The weekly church newsletter for Barfrestone, Coldred, Guston,
Eythorne & Elvington, Waldershare, Shepherdswell and Whitfield



15th September 2024

This Week

Sun 15th Sept

- 9.00am | BCP Holy Communion | St. Nicholas
- 10.30am | Morning Worship | St. Andrew's
- 10.30am | Let's Worship | Whitfield School/Mayfield
- 1.00pm | Baptism of Evie & Elliot | St. Andrew's
- 3.00pm | Messy Church | Shepherdswell Village Hall
- 6.00pm | Evensong | St. Martin's, Guston

Mon 16th Sept

- 10.00am | Let's Play | Elvington Community Ctr

Wed 18th Sept

- 9.30am | Let's Chat | Whitfield Rec. Pavilion

Thur 19th Sept

- 11.30am | Holy Communion | SS Peter & Paul's

Fri 20th Sept

- 9.30am | Let's Play! | Whitfield Village Hall

Saturday 21st September

- from 12.00pm | Whitfield Fete | Whitfield Rec.

A Royal Visit to Shepherdswell



On Wednesday there was much excitement, when HRH The Princess Royal visited the village to formally open the Carpenters Yard development.

It was a time of much joy (and flag waving by some of the children from Shepherdswell School).

More photos to follow when the official ones are released.

BE PART OF THE CELEBRATION!!

On **25th September at 7.00pm.**
at St. Peter & St. Paul's Church,
Rev. Sean will be licensed and instituted as Rector of the parish by Archdeacon Darren. Do come along and be part of this as an affirmation and celebration of all that we have partnered with God with, and have seen flourish as we have ministered with and in our communities together in the past 4 years. Whilst much remains the same (Rev Sean is still the Vicar in the parish for one!), it is an important milestone in the mission and ministry that has been recognised by the Diocese and the patrons of our churches. If nothing else, there will be some cake and some fizz to share afterwards!

Worship Around the Parish for September

Date	Location	Service
1st September Trinity 14 Green	St. Nicholas, Barfreestone	9.00am Morning Worship
	St. Andrew, Shepherdswell	10.30am Holy Communion
	St. Peter's, Whitfield	10.30 Whitfield Village Hall Let's Worship
	St. Martin's, Guston	6.00pm Communion
Thursday 5th September	SS Peter & Paul's, Eythorne & Elvington	11.30am Holy Communion
8th September Trinity 15 Green	St. Pancras, Coldred	9.00am Holy Communion
	St. Andrew, Shepherdswell	10.30am Morning Worship
	St. Peter's, Whitfield	10.30am Holy Communion
	SS Peter & Paul's, Eythorne & Elvington	10.30am Let's Worship Communion
Thursday 12th September	SS Peter & Paul's, Eythorne & Elvington	11.30am Holy Communion
15th September Trinity 16 Green	St. Nicholas, Barfreestone	9.00am Holy Communion
	St. Andrew, Shepherdswell	10.30am Holy Communion
		1.00pm Baptism
	St. Peter's, Whitfield St. Martin's, Guston	3.00pm Messy Church
		10.30am Whitfield School Let's Worship
		6.00pm Evensong
Thursday 19th September	SS Peter & Paul's, Eythorne & Elvington	11.30am Holy Communion
22nd September Trinity 17 Green	St. Pancras, Coldred	9.00am BCP Communion
	St. Andrew, Shepherdswell	10.30am Holy Communion
	SS Peter & Paul's, Eythorne & Elvington	10.30am Let's Worship
Wednesday 25th September		7.00pm Licensing Service
Thursday 26th September	SS Peter & Paul's, Eythorne & Elvington	11.30am Holy Communion
29th September Trinity 18 Green	St. Andrew, Shepherdswell	10.30am Holy Communion
	St. Martin's, Guston	6.00pm Evening Prayer

Opportunity to Serve the Parish

Do you have admin skills that you are not using?
Are you good with numbers and have an eye and attention for detail?

Do you want to help your parish and worshipping communities?

If this applies to you (**OR** it applies to someone you know) we would love to hear from you.

We are looking for a voluntary administrator/bookkeeper to look after the central financial administration of the 6 churches in the parish. The work covers bookkeeping of parish financial matters, wedding and funeral financial arrangements, payments to and from the diocese, administration of some expenses, gift aid administration and some other related administration tasks.

The time commitment would be approximately 6 hours a week.

Sound administrative skills are needed and some experience with managing finances would be helpful. You would work with Rev. Sean, and the individual church Treasurers.

The person currently covering this work would give a full handover and support during the changeover period.

As part of this developing role, we would welcome fresh eyes on processes as we look to make efficiency and develop our financial structure and strategy. If you feel you would like to talk about this opportunity, please contact:

**Rev. Sean Sheffield on 07710423432
or vicar@bewsboroughparish.org**

Feel free to pass this on to someone you know who would be a good fit or is looking for a fresh challenge!

For Our Prayers

Please pray for the following people, all known to God, who need our prayers and for those who tend to them and show them love and care:

**Tallulah, Phil G, Michael,
Pauline, Brenda, Mick J, Phyllis,
Alex, David,
Alan Jones, Suzie, Elsie, Tina &
Ian M,**

We also pray and look forward to welcoming the children and youngsters being brought to baptism by their families through this month

Evie & Elliot
Samuel, Jack and Guy

HELP NEEDED!!

As you will see on the following page, next Saturday there is a Village Fete taking place in Whitfield, the first for many years.

We will have a craft tent and will be running a Mini-Messy Church to connect with the many families we expect to see. There will also be a couple of stalls we will support.

If you could help for an hour or 2 then please contact Sean.

Keep in Touch



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READY TO HAVE SOME FUN?

JOIN US AT THE

WHITFIELD FETE

WHITFIELD RECREATION GROUND

SATURDAY 21st SEP / 12-7pm

FEATURING:

LIVE MUSIC & DOVER COMMUNITY RADIO

ARENA ENTERTAINMENT - DOG SHOW

DOVER TRANSPORT MUSEUM & CLASSIC VEHICLES

BAR - ICECREAM - POPCORN - CANDYFLOSS

FOOD & CRAFT STALLS - BOUNCY CASTLE

MARCHING BAND - FIRE ENGINE - FOOTBALL

BARROW OF BOOZE & MUCH MORE!

ALL AGES WELCOME!



Whitfield
PARISH COUNCIL

Rotary
Club of Dover



St. Peter's
Church

Lectionary Readings for the 16th Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who indicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Reading Mark 8:27-38

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Psalms 116:1-8

Thanksgiving for Recovery from Illness

- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.
- 2 Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
- 3 The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.
- 4 Then I called on the name of the Lord: 'O Lord, I pray, save my life!'
- 5 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.
- 6 The Lord protects the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.
- 7 Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.
- 8 For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

THE WONDER OF PRAYER



HARVEST – LEARNING FROM CREATION

'Our Lord, by your wisdom you made so many things; the whole earth is covered with your living creatures.' (Psalm 104:24 CEV)

Creator God, Author of Life -

- Catch our attention with the wonder of all that you have made.
- Give your creative wisdom to all who are looking for ways to preserve and increase biodiversity, both in rural and urban areas.
- Protect the fledgling communities of beavers, bison and choughs recently re-introduced to the Kent countryside.
- Challenge us, your church, to raise our voice in protest when your creation is overlooked or undervalued.
- Help us to make room in our lives to learn the lessons which nature has to teach us.

