

Bewsborough Bulletin

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



8th September 2024

This Week

Sun 8th Sept

9.00am | BCP Holy Communion | St. Pancras'
10.30am | Morning Worship | St. Andrew's
10.30am | Holy Communion | St. Peter's
10.30am | All Age Communion | SS Peter & Paul
1.00pm | Baptism of Willow | SS Peter & Paul
3.00pm | Baptisms of Sofia & Elizabeth

Mon 9th Sept

10.00am | Let's Play | Elvington Community Ctr
Celebrating St. Francis events begin across the area

Wed 11th Sept

NO LET'S CHAT DUE TO WORKS AT THE PAVILION

7.30pm | PCC Meeting | Elvington Comm. Ctr.

Thur 12th Sept

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

Fri 13th Sept

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

Rev. Sean Licensing

On Wednesday **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!

Celebrating St. Francis

Over the coming week, beginning Monday 9th September the Franciscan Family in the UK, based in Surrey, are planning an ecumenical pilgrimage and other services and events to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the landing of the first Franciscans in England. Pilgrims are expected from across the country including East Kent. Further details of all the events, including a pilgrimage from Dover to Canterbury on Tuesday 10th are available on the following website:

<https://franciscan-pilgrimage-england-800thanniversary.com/?p=17>

"Get on your bikes, and ride!!"



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	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

Willow

Evie & Elliot

Sofia & Elizabeth

Samuel, Jack and Guy

We continue to pray for Rosa,
Michael and the rest of the DeCicco
family as they prepare to celebrate
the life, and say farewell to Luca, a
loving husband, father, grandfather
and dear friend this coming week.



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Lectionary Readings for the 15th Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 35.4–7a

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

James 2.1–10 [11–13] 14–17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favouritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, 'Have a seat here, please', while to the one who is poor you say, 'Stand there', or, 'Sit at my feet', have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Reading Mark 7.24–37

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.' Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.' So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

Psalm 125

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved, but abides for ever.
2 As the mountains surround Jerusalem,
so the Lord surrounds his people,
from this time on and for evermore.
3 For the sceptre of wickedness shall not rest
on the land allotted to the righteous,
so that the righteous may not stretch out
their hands to do wrong.
4 Do good, O Lord, to those who are good,
and to those who are upright in their hearts.
5 But those who turn aside to their own crooked
ways
the Lord will lead away with evildoers.
Peace be upon Israel!

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.



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!



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