The Parishes of BROSELEY with BENTHALL and JACKFIELD LINLEY with WILLEY and BARROW

II th Sunday after Trinity 27th August 2017

Holy Eucharist booklet: Ordinary Time. Liturgical colour: Green. The services today will be led by Rev. Fr. Christopher Penn



DIARY OF EVENTS

please refer to the back page and take this leaflet home as a reminder.

We omit asterisked verses of hymns; after the service coffee/tea will be served — we hope you will stay.

The Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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.

Amen

First Reading

Exodus 1.8-2.10

A reading from the book of Exodus

A new king, who did not know about Joseph, came to power in Egypt. "Look," he said to his people, "the Israelites have become much too numerous for us. Come, we must deal shrewdly with them or they will become even more numerous and, if war breaks out, will join our enemies, fight against us and leave the country."

So they put slave masters over them to oppress them with forced labour, and they built Pithom and Rameses as store cities for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread; so the Egyptians

came to dread the Israelites and worked them ruthlessly. They made their lives bitter with hard labour in brick and mortar and with all kinds of work in the fields; in all their hard labour the Egyptians used them ruthlessly.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, whose names were Shiphrah and Puah, "When you help the Hebrew women in childbirth and observe them on the delivery stool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, let her live." The midwives, however, feared God and did not do what the king of Egypt had told them to do; they let the boys live. Then the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and asked them, "Why have you done this? Why have you let the boys live?"

The midwives answered Pharaoh, "Hebrew women are not like Egyptian women; they are vigorous and give birth before the midwives arrive."

So God was kind to the midwives and the people increased and became even more numerous. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families of their own.

Then Pharaoh gave this order to all his people: "Every boy that is born you must throw into the Nile, but let every girl live."

Now a man of the house of Levi married a Levite woman, and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. His sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him.

Then Pharaoh's daughter went down to the Nile to bathe, and her attendants were walking along the river bank. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her slave girl to get it. She opened it and saw the baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said.

Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?"

"Yes, go," she answered. And the girl went and got the baby's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you." So the woman took the baby and nursed him. When the child grew older, she took him to Pharaoh's daughter and he became her son. She named him Moses, saying, "I drew him out of the water."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans

I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God – this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will.

For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you. Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If your gift is prophesying, then use it in proportion to your faith. If it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is encouraging, then encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, then give generously; if it is leadership, then govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, then do it cheerfully.

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Thanks be to God

The Gospel

Matthew 16.13-20

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he warned his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Christ

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Prayers

We pray for Jack John Harley, Lleyton David Harley, Kaylee Tranter, Holly Tranter, Lily Megan Tranter, Tommy Michael Paul Tranter, and Dean Lucas Paget who are to be baptised today, and we also pray for Christopher McCabe and Colette Evans who are to be married today.

We remember all those known to us who need our prayers including:

The sick: Roy Morris, Simon Gibbons, Turley Mear, Karen Jones,

Lawrence Homer, Michael Brookes, Christopher Dorricott

the departed: Charles Bishop, Craig McMitchell, David Dormer,

Terence Goodall

those whose year's mind falls this week: Tony Wall, Roy Marston

Post communion prayer

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

DIARY OF EVENTS

THIS WEEK

8.00am Morning Prayer – All Saints', Broseley (Except Friday)

Note: No morning prayer on Monday this week (28th)

Weds 30th 11.00am LMDG – Ann's house

Thurs 31st 9.30am Eucharist – All Saints', Broseley

7.15pm Meditation Group - Broseley Baptist Church

Friday Ist 8.30am Morning Prayer – All Saints', Broseley

Sat 2nd 7.30pm Double Bass Recital - St Mary's Church Jackfield

Sunday 3rd 9.15am Eucharist – St Mary's, Jackfield 10.30am Sung Eucharist – All Saints', Broseley

FUTURE EVENTS

Weds 6th 7.30pm Meeting of all those involved in Pastoral Visits - All Saints' Rectory

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