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Please note that the correct Payee for cheques is

PCC of Lacock with Bowden Hill

Please remember in your prayers:



Mo Kelly, Betty Howard, Irene Docherty, Michael Freeman, Oscar,

Peter Orner, Leo Stevens, John Webb, Tom Gledhill,

Mabel Davis, Colleen McDuling

Family and friends of John Best

Family and friends of Cara Boniface

John and Amy Harvey, married here yesterday

Henry William Doel and his parents and godparents

Rev Andrew on Extended Ministerial Development Leave (Sabbatical)

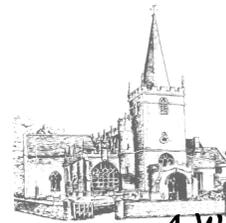
Shorter collect for the 7th Sunday after Trinity

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



If you are a visitor to our Church, we welcome you. Please do take this news sheet and our warmest greetings back to your own parish and congregation.

Please stay for coffee after the service. We are a Fair Trade church.
And do have a look at the bookstall—lots of new stock to browse and buy



PARISH OF LACOCK WITH BOWDEN HILL



A WARM WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE

Services today, Sunday 30th July

10.30 a.m. Praise & Worship

12.15 p.m. Baptism of Henry William Doel
at St Anne's Bowden Hill

6.30 p.m. Holy Communion (Sung BCP)
at St Anne's Bowden Hill

*Patronal Festival Service,
for the 160th anniversary of St Anne's Church*



*Thankful for the Past
Rejoicing in the Present
Preparing for the Future*

Services next Sunday, 6th August

9.30 a.m. Parish Breakfast

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship

6.30 p.m. Informal Praise & Worship

Note that there is no 9 a.m. Service at St Anne's. There are services of Holy Communion at St Bart's Corsham at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

THANK YOU FROM ALL THE 'LITTLE LAMBS' TOTS GROUP.

Thank you so much to everybody who supported those of us who ran in the recent Lacock Relish Running Race. Your generosity and love helped us run with perseverance the race marked out for us! You have raised £140.79p, so well done Church! This will either go towards buying some new toys/books for the little ones to use as they play together or instead to buy some new rugs to make it a more cosy experience for the really tiny tots.

Please take this newsletter home with you and use it for your prayers and your reference during the week

Collect for the Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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.

Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 3: 5-12 Pew Bible p.239

At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, “Ask for whatever you want me to give you.” Solomon answered, “You have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright in heart. You have continued this great kindness to him and have given him a son to sit on his throne this very day. Now, LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David. But I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties. Your servant is here among the people you have chosen, a great people, too numerous to count or number. So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?”

The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for this. So God said to him, “Since you have asked for this and not for long life or wealth for yourself, nor have asked for the death of your enemies but for discernment in administering justice, I will do what you have asked. I will give you a wise and discerning heart, so that there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be.”

New Testament Reading: Romans 8: 26-39 Pew Bible p.798

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God’s people in accordance with the will of God. And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified. What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies.

Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written: “For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.” No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13: 31-33,44-52 Pew Bible p.691

Jesus told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches.” He told them still another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into a large amount of flour until it worked all through the dough.”

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it. Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish. When it was full, the fishermen pulled it up on the shore. Then they sat down and collected the good fish in baskets, but threw the bad away. This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have you understood all these things?” Jesus asked. “Yes,” they replied. He said to them, “Therefore every teacher of the law who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old.”