

Weekly Information Sheet



23 July 2017

Trinity 6

*PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME WITH YOU as a reference source during the coming week.
Also check the website for any breaking news and for much more information.*

SAFARI LUNCH

We are planning a Safari Lunch on Saturday 12 August, hosts needed for main course and sweet and also names of those who would like to come and enjoy the wonderful culinary delights prepared by our hosts. Cost will be £8 per person for church funds. Names to Cathy Reynolds Tel: 01225811865 or L'nora Olney 01225 859202 as soon as possible please.

MENS GROUP OUTING

Transport for the Group outing on Monday 24 July will depart from the Newlands Road Bus Stop at 5.30pm.

Please note there is no meeting in August; we resume on **25th September 2017** at 8.00 pm at The Royal Oak when Sharon Thomas from Corsham Town Council will present a "Corsham Update".

RIDE & STRIDE – ADVANCED NOTICE

The annual Ride and Stride event will be taking place on **Saturday 9 September 2017** between 10am and 6pm.

This event involves visiting as many of Wiltshire's churches as you can between 10am and 6pm either by bicycle, on foot, on horse-back or by mobility scooter. Choose and many (or as few) churches as you wish.

Half of the money collected through sponsorship comes back to your chosen parish and the other half goes to the Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust, to enable it to make grants for the upkeep of churches and chapels in the county



St Bart's has been a beneficiary of a grant in the past. Sponsor forms will be in our churches soon or can be downloaded, with lists of the churches from www.wiltshirehistoricchurchestrust.org.uk/ride-and-stride/. Please ask sponsors to tick the gift aid box which means that an extra 25p can be claimed for every £1 raised.

PORTRAITS

As part of the £2 challenge Roger Parry is offering to take portrait pictures and produce a 7x5 print mounted in a 10x8 mount for the grand total of £5.00. If you are interested please contact Roger on 01225 812633 or email rparry973@gmail.com

For More information:

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PASTORAL VISITING: If you know of someone who is in need of pastoral care please contact L'nora Olney on 01225 859202 so that appropriate arrangements can be made. These might include a visit at home or in hospital and/or the provision of home communion.

DIARY DATES

Mon 24 Jul 5.30pm Men's Group – outdoor event
Weds 26 Jul 12.00pm Funeral – Hon Elizabeth Fraser
August Church News Deadline
Thurs 27 Jul 7.30pm House Group meets at 17 Light Close
Fri 28 Jul Morning Church Cleaning (Team A)

AUCTION OF PROMISES

The Auction of Promises at St Bart's on 8 July raised £900. Thanks to everyone who gave promises or bid for them. Thanks too are extended to the organisers and "The Gavel" who encouraged such wonderful bidding.

TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC

We are pleased to announce that the brave teddy bears who flew from the spire, and all the associated stalls and activities, raised £300 for church funds. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

CHRISTIAN AID COLLECTION

Sincere thanks to anyone who contributed towards the recent Christian Aid collection; £53.61 has been forwarded to the charity.

HOUSE GROUP

We meet on Thursday 27th July at 7:30pm at 17 Light Close for our final Bible study on Paul's Letter to the Philippians. We will also devote the second part of our meeting to Prayer. Further details from Neil Pidduck (01249) 715848.



DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE

Items for inclusion in each Sunday's sheet should be submitted not later than **MIDDAY on the preceding Wednesday.**

Email to: news@corshamandlacockchurches.org.uk or
Post/deliver to: 1 Park Lane, Corsham. ☎ 01249 701783 (answering machine available).

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Sunday 23 July 17 – TRINITY 6

The Collect

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 44:6-8 (NRSVA)

Thus says the Lord the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. ⁷ Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be. ⁸ Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

New Testament Reading – Romans 8:12-25 (NRSVA)

¹² So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³ for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ ¹⁶ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Future Glory

¹⁸ I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; ²⁰ for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; ²³ and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience

Gospel Reading – Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 (NRSVA)

The Parable of Weeds among the Wheat

²⁴ He put before them another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵ but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷ And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, “Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?” ²⁸ He answered, “An enemy has done this.” The slaves said to him, “Then do you want us to go and gather them?” ²⁹ But he replied, “No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰ Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.”’

Jesus Explains the Parable of the Weeds

³⁶ Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, ‘Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.’ ³⁷ He answered, ‘The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸ the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴² and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

SERVICES FOR THE NEXT WEEK AT ST BART’S

Weds 26 Jul

10.00am Holy Communion led by Revd Adam

Sun 30 Jul – Trinity 4

8.00am Holy Communion led by Revd Jim Hawkins

10.00am Matins led by LLM Lin Culling

Anthem: STANFORD - Benedictus

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