

SOUTH LAWRES AND BARLINGS NEWSLETTER No. 76
w/c Sunday September 5th 2021: 14th Sunday after Trinity
Facebook: South Lawres and Barlings Churches
Youtube: SLB Churches

Readings: James 2: 1-10; Mark 7: 24 - end

Dear All,



Ever asked big questions about life?

Looking for answers?

Wondering what the Christian faith
is about?

If so, here is a chance to explore and discuss and learn
together.

Alpha Online Tuesday evenings starting 21st September
for 11 weeks 7pm

Contact slboffice@virginmedia.com for details

Last week on the Online Service Jess spoke about the Alpha Course and its start, later in September and I did the same in Church. Our suggestion is that we give it a go as Church members in the first instance in order that when it comes around again, we know what we are inviting people to. Please pray about taking part.... as well as anything else it will be a good way of sharing our journey of faith together.

The promotional video is at this link https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fViYK_Xb3Wg – take a look! For future reference, if Tuesday evenings are not the best time for you, but you would want to take part, let us know when is a better time.

Healing Service

This Service will re-start on Sunday 12th September at 5pm at Fiskerton. It is an informal gathering, offering prayer and anointing.

Church this Sunday

No need to book for Church this week-end. 9.15am at Stainton and 10.45am at Greetwell and 4pm Messy Church at Reepham

Home Communion

I am getting together a small Team of people to bring Home Communion – we will be ready to start by the first week in September. If you are unable to return to church but would like to receive Communion at Home, then please give me a call on 01522 595596.

Bishop of Lincoln

As you are aware, Bishop Christopher will be leaving the Diocese in December, but will be taking time out from the end of October. The consultation has begun to appoint his successor. This is not done by the Diocese, it is done by the Archbishops Office, the Cabinet Office and the ultimately the Queen appoints. However, there will be a significant amount of consultation which has begun by means of an online survey at this link.

<https://9f0nnymgfvu.typeform.com/to/ZILkQYLS?typeform-source=www.lincoln.anglican.org>

Please take part in this. If you want to have your say but can't do the survey, then send your thoughts to me. I will be collecting views also via PCCs.

Living in Love and Faith

Over the last two years there has been an extensive amount of work happening behind the scenes in the Church of England on Christian teaching and learning about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage. This has resulted in some opportunities to discuss issues together and to learn together. I know from discussing with individuals in our churches that there are very different views, for example, on gay marriage and I for one haven't ever really properly resolved where I am at. So, this will present us with an opportunity to learn together. Our Deanery will be offering opportunities to learn, so let's take it up when it happens!

Christmas Shoeboxes

Thank you to those who have donated wrapping paper! We will let you know what else is needed as packing starts soon!

Online Services

Morning Prayer will be at 7.30am Monday – Friday

Compline at 7pm Monday – Thursday

All will be on Facebook www.facebook.com/SLBChurches

Services in August/September

Services will continue in September with 2 Services on Sunday Mornings, plus Messy Church and we are looking at an Ecumenical Outdoor Harvest Service on the afternoon of 26th September.

Wednesday morning communion will continue at Cherry Willingham at 9.30am.

Sept 5 th	9.15am	Stainton by Langworth	10.45am	Greetwell
	4.00pm	Reepham Messy Church		
Sept 12 th	9.15am	Barlings	10.45am	Cherry Willingham
Sept 19 th	9.15am	Fiskerton	10.45am	Sudbrooke
Sept 26 th	9.15am	Langworth	10.45am	Reepham
		Afternoon Ecumenical Harvest Service		

Rest Days

As from now, Friday will be Penny's day off and Jess' will be Monday.

Jess' contact details are:

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Social Media

Thanks to Jess we are now on Instagram! Go to SLB Churches and follow!

Twitter @SLBChurches

Facebook www.facebook.com/SLBChurches

New Methodist Minister

On Saturday (4th) we will be attending the induction of Revd Jennifer Matthews, the new Methodist Minister in our area. Please do pray for her as she moves into the area and gets to know everyone.

Archdeacon Venerable Mark Steadman

Mark's last Sunday in the Diocese is Sunday 5th September. This is being marked by a Service at All Saints Parish Church, Gainsborough at 4pm. I have written to Mark on behalf of all of us to wish him well.

CHERRY WILLINGHAM COMMUNITY PICNIC

This is taking place on Sunday 12th September on Cherry Fields. Sadly, I will be otherwise occupied baptising babies, but Jess will be there giving away activity bags for the children. It's a good opportunity to gather together – take it if you can – and PRAY FOR DECENT WEATHER!!

COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY (CBS) – NETTLEHAM

It's Bible Study time again! Our Nettleham CBS class is a friendly and sociable group from various church backgrounds. We meet in three local homes on Tuesday mornings, starting at 10.00am with coffee, tea and biscuits (and often cake to celebrate a birthday!) and finishing by 12 noon.

Our next study is the book of Genesis, looking at the Bible accounts of creation, the early earth, and the Patriarchs. If you'd like to explore these themes with us, or find out more about CBS, then come and join us on Tuesday 7th September at 10.00am. We'd love to see you.

To find out more, please contact either Pam or Roger Shuttleworth (01522 425498), or have a look at the CBS website www.cbsuk.org.

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What's happening in the coming week?

We continue with Morning Prayer at 7.30am Monday – Friday and Compline at 7pm Monday – Thursday on Facebook www.facebook.com/SLBChurches

Sunday 5th Sept

9.15am Communion at Stainton by Langworth

10.45am Communion at Greetwell

A Service will be available on Facebook and Youtube from 9.15am on Sunday morning www.facebook.com/SLBChurches

Wednesday 8th September

9.30am Communion at Cherry Willingham

Thursday 9th September

2.30pm Tea Service online. Chris and Eleanor will send the link.

Sunday 12th September

9.15am Communion at Barlings

10:45am Communion at Cherry Willingham

2.00pm Baptism at Fiskerton

Sunday 9am on www.churchofengland.org is the weekly service.

'Daily Hope' 0800 804 8044, provided by the Church of England on a free phone call. Callers to the line hear a short greeting from the Archbishop of Canterbury before being able to choose from a range of options, including hymns, prayers, reflections and advice on COVID-19. For those not online, BBC Radio 4 continues to provide a Service on Radio 4 on Sunday morning at 8.10am. Check your TV Guide for TV Services.

Churches will continue to be open for Private Prayer

**Cherry Willingham
Reepham
Sudbrooke**

**Sunday morning and Wednesday afternoon
Mondays and Thursdays
Fridays**

For Daily Prayer this Week

Eternal Father, who weaves us all into the continuing story of grace:
grant that, as we in South Lawres and Barlings continue to place footsteps with faith around our
community,
we may live our lives in a way that allows your story to shine through,
encouraging and challenging others to live their part in it:
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

Friday 3rd	We are experiencing shortages and supply issues of all types. Please pray for those who are at the sharp end of this – delivery drivers under pressure, companies who can't access what they need; NHS who can't access blood test tubes.
Saturday 4th	Pray for those in our world who are struggling with the effects of extreme weather – wildfires in Greece, Turkey, California, Madagascar; floods and hurricanes in the USA; drought in Africa.....
Sunday 5th	Pray for Messy Church as it meets this afternoon, and for the children we are baptising Sunday to Sunday.
Monday 6th	Schools return today. Pray for all children starting school for the first time – and their parents; for children and young people starting a new school; for teachers beginning a new job, and for your own children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, Godchildren who return to school today.
Tuesday 7th	For children and staff at Cherry Willingham Primary Academy and The Pembroke Academy.
Wednesday 8th	For children and staff at Fiskerton Primary School, Reepham CE Primary School and Ellison Boulsters CE Primary Academy.
Thursday 9th	Pray for those among us who are struggling with ill health, mental health difficulties; for those who haven't had a holiday or a break from their 4 walls for over a year. For friends in Nursing and Care Homes.

Collect for this week

Merciful God,
Your Son came to save us
And bore our sins on the cross
May we trust in your mercy
And know your love,
Rejoicing in the righteousness
That is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen