St Mary's Church

13 Oct 2024, Trinity 20



" It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle..... "

SERVICES

TODAY

8am – Holy Communion, (Revd Andrew Parry)
10am – Church for All in the hall

Services next Sunday, Oct.. 20

8am – Holy Communion 10am – Holy Communion 10am – Young Church

<u>Hymns for today</u>: 561 - Will your anchor hold; 405 - One more step; 244 - In Christ there is no East; 510 - This little light of mine.

INTERCESSIONS

Our prayers have been asked for Lorna and Charles F, Hazel B, Malcolm W, Jane A, Janine J, Julie M,

COLLECT

God, our light and our salvation:
illuminate our lives,
that we may see your goodness in the land of the living,
and looking on your beauty
may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord.

READINGS

Job Ch. 23: v 1-9 + 16-17

23 Then Job answered and said:

- ² "Today also my complaint is bitter; my hand is heavy on account of my groaning.
- ³ Oh, that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his seat!
- ⁴I would lay my case before him and fill my mouth with arguments.
- ⁵I would know what he would answer me and understand what he would say to me.
- ⁶ Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power? No; he would pay attention to me.
- ⁷There an upright man could argue with him, and I would be acquitted for ever by my judge.
- ⁸ "Behold, I go forwards, but he is not there, and backwards, but I do not perceive him;
- ⁹ on the left hand when he is working, I do not behold him; he turns to the right hand, but I do not see him.
- ¹⁶ God has made my heart faint; the Almighty has terrified me;
- ¹⁷ yet I am not silenced because of the darkness, nor because thick darkness covers my face.

Mark Ch. 10: v: 17 - 31

- ¹⁷ And as he was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him,
- "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"
- ¹⁸ And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone.

¹⁹ You know the commandments: 'Do not murder,

Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honour your father and mother."

²⁰ And he said to him,

"Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth."

²¹ And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me."

²² Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

²³ And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!"

²⁴ And the disciples were amazed at his words.

But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is^[b] to enter the kingdom of God!

²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God."

²⁶ And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, "Then who can be saved?"

²⁷ Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God."

²⁸ Peter began to say to him, "See, we have left everything and followed you."

²⁹ Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, ³⁰ who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life.

³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our Father,
whose Son, the light unfailing,
has come from heaven to deliver the world
from the darkness of ignorance:
let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding
that we may know the way of life,
and walk in it without stumbling;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

YOUNG CHURCH – Today is Church for All in the hall. The theme will be remembering and the good memories from Covid. We will play the tray memory game and prayers will involve everyone having a tea light. Refreshments will be served from 9.30am.

MEETINGS:-

Tuesday, Bible Study Home Group.

We are off on our travels with Paul on his First Missionary journey. To join us contact **Jill on 07812741279.** You don't need any prior knowledge, we are learning together and enjoying ourselves.

Tuesday, PCC Meeting, 8pm.
Thursday, Emmaus Road, 7.30pm in church.
Friday, Home Communion meeting 1pm in the hall.

NOTICES

BINGO tomorrow - 7.30 for 7,45pm - all welcome.

There will be another chance to join us for some varied **Churchyard Care** work on **Saturday 19th October from 10.00.** No gardening experience is needed but please wear stout shoes/boots and gloves - we have the tools. Stay for a couple of hours, or less if you prefer, but do try to be there at 11.00 for **tasty free refreshments** in the hall! If you have a little spare time, why not come along and see if it appeals to you? We're sure the doughnuts will!

PANTOMIME

Tuesday 22nd October sees our next rehearsal at 3pm in the Church Hall. The Panto is great fun and has lots of audience participation. It's suitable for all ages. If you haven't yet got tickets contact Jill on 07812741379

THE PANTO IS ON SATURDAY 16TH NOV. AT 3PM.



