

Next Week's Services

SUNDAY 21 August 13th Sunday after Trinity

Linch	9.30 am	Matins
Readings		Jeremiah 1: 4 – 10; Hebrews 12: 18 – end; Luke 13: 10 - 17
Sidesmen		Olive Fleming & Gina Van Dyke
Milland	11.00am	Holy Communion
Lessons		Jeremiah 1: 4 – 10; Hebrews 12: 18 – end; Luke 13: 10 - 17
Sidesman		Harry Scott
Readers		Julian Wells and Mora Wells



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SUNDAY 14 August 12th Sunday after Trinity

Linch	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Readings		Isaiah 5: 1 – 7; Hebrew 11: 29 - 12: 2; Luke 12: 49 - 56
Sidesmen		Margaret Young & Lesley Aylwin
Milland	11.00am	Matins
Lessons		Isaiah 5: 1 – 7; Luke 12: 49 - 56
Sidesman		Julia Hughes
Readers		Janet Farnes and Sam Pope
Milland	12.30 pm	Baptism of Phinn Butterfield

COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of 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

TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 5:1-7

5:1 Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.

5:2 He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

5:3 And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard.

5:4 What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

5:5 And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.

5:6 I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

5:7 For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

11:29 By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned.

11:30 By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. 11:31 By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

11:32 And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets--

11:33 who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions,

11:34 quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.

11:35 Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection.

11:36 Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment.

11:37 They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented--

11:38 of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

11:39 Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised,

11:40 since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

12:1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,

12:2 looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Luke 12:49-56

12:49 "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled!

12:50 I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed!

12:51 Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division!

12:52 From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three;

12:53 they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

12:54 He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens.

12:55 And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens.

12:56 You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

Thought For The Week

"Let nothing disturb thee; let nothing dismay thee; all things pass; God never changes. Patience attains all that it strives for" (*St. Teresa of Avila.*)

Intercessions World Church: PRAY for The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

Diocese: Gabrielle Higgins, Diocesan Secretary and Anne-Marie Mizler her PA

Deanery: Lynchmere and Camelsdale

Benefice: Flower arrangers at St Luke's Linch

Prayers for those in Long Term Care:

Jill Maslen-Jones and Martin Beale

Prayers for the Sick:

David Godfrey and Dave Dyke.

In Memoriam

George Pound

Post Communion Prayer

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Notices

Benefice Notices

Wednesday Eucharist: This takes place on Wednesdays at **8.45am** in the **Bettesworth Room**

Pet Service: On Sunday 28th August Canon Nigel Nicholson is holding a Pet Service at St Mary's Iping. He will of course be bringing Barty! All are very welcome to attend

TRIP TO ST.PAUL'S CATHEDRAL LONDON.

Bill Johnston is arranging a trip by bus to St. Paul's Cathedral on **Wednesday 28th September.**

The cost of transport is in the region of £20 plus entry fees. We hope to **leave around 9-30 or 10-00** from Midhurst and **return from London around 3-30pm.**

Of course you may want to do something else while in London and you are free to do so.

If you would like to join us or want more details please contact Bill on 01428 741131

Milland Notices

Memorial Garden: We now have a protective platform over the memorial garden, but please continue to take care when visiting.

Milland PCC: next meeting is on Monday 22nd August at 8pm in the Church.

FOUND after the Back to Church picnic on Sunday July 31st at Tuxlith Green, a green waterproof backed picnic rug. Contact Maureen Keel on 01730 893290 when it can be returned to its owner.

Linch Notices

Wedding: Frances Caulfeild and Tom Coleman on Saturday next 20th August at 3.00 p.m.

St Luke's Linch Annual Barbeque

Sunday Sept 4th – 12.30pm

£12.50 per head – Children Free

Sign up Sheets are available in each Church

We look forward to welcoming everyone and particularly those from Stedham with Iping