

### Collect for Trinity 11

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, etc

### Collect for Trinity 12

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, etc

### Collect for Trinity 13

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Collect for Trinity 14

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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.

## St Laurence's Church, Guestling Notice Sheet for September 2019

### Services and Events

**Sunday 1st Trinity 11 11am Morning Praise**

**Sunday 8th Trinity 12` 11am Holy Communion**

**Sunday 15th Trinity 13 11am Morning Praise**

**Sunday 22nd Trinity 14 11am Holy Communion**

*Our Guest Speaker is John Kemp. He is the diocesan Parish Advisor for Finance, Stewardship & Governance. He is coming to talk to us about good stewardship and sustainability.*

**1pm Baptism of Imogen Millicent on her first birthday**

**Sunday 29th (Fifth Sunday) Trinity 15**

**No service at Guestling**

**Benefice Service of Informal Holy Communion at Westfield at 10am. All are welcome.**

### HARVEST

*Our Harvest Festival Service will be at 11am on Sunday 6th October when we will be joined by some of the Guestling Bradshaw School Choir and their parents and also the family and friends of Elliott Tuting (5) who is being baptised. We will provide refreshments for the children after the service.*

**Harvest Lunch will also be on 6th October at approx. 12.45pm (NOT 13th as previously stated ) Tickets £5 from Sue Moore.**

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## **Interregnum Update**

My Dear Friends,

I thought that I would keep you informed of the current situation at our Church.

As you may all be aware that we are now in what the Church of England calls an interregnum after Robert left us in July. As you may all be aware that it is my responsibility to maintain our lovely church as well as be responsible for all the services. So, to that end I will attempt with the help of our Associate Vicar, the Rev, Joy Collins will try to keep all the services as they are and to keep the ministerial duties in house. But as last Sunday we will need help from other ministers like the Rev. Kay Burnett and others. From time to time there may be slight alterations due to church festivals and not being able to obtain cover. But I will try to avoid that as much as I can.

I did have a conversation with our Archdeacon and Rural Dean on separate occasions to try to obtain some idea of what the future hold for St. Laurence Church. I was told that there will be Pastoral Re-organisation in the future. But nothing will happen just yet and will be some way away before I know anything. In conclusion I will be seeing the Archdeacon with the churchwardens of Westfield on Sunday September 15 th . I hope that I have some up-dated news for you all after that. I will keep you all informed as we go along.

Ken Holmes (Churchwarden and Deanery Reader)

## **Serviceable garden tools needed for a good cause**

The Rev'd Kay Burnett told us about the need for these to support a new gardening initiative for people experiencing mental health problems. Please talk to Felicity who is co-ordinating the collection for us.

## **Prayer Diary**

As fewer and fewer prayer diaries are being taken for home use we are going to pilot praying for the people of the parish in the streets where they live in the intercessions on Sunday. This means we will cover every street twice a year. We will also have a Sunday when we pray for all who worship with us and live outside the parish—you know who you are!

## **September Sundays**

1st	Bachelors Bump and Chapel Lane
8th	Church Farm Community and Church Lane
15th	Chowns Hill and Coghurst Park
22nd	Eight Acre Lane and Fifteen Pounder Farm Community

**The next PCC Meeting will be on Monday 9th  
September at 7pm in the Ashburnham Chapel**

**The funeral of Sheila, Juliette's mother, takes place  
at Hastings Crematorium at 2.45pm on Thursday  
5th September.**