

Thought for the Week

When Mark included this story in his Gospel, he was talking to us. He tells us that we are not reading a biography of a good man. We are not hearing nice stories about farming and fishing. We are not even admiring the skill of a healer. We are reading about God's purpose for the world, brought to fruition through the ministry of Jesus. When Jesus stands in the boat and speaks to the waves, he acts with the authority of the one in whose hands rests the entire universe. As we read on, this episode sheds its light over everything we read. And when we reach the end of the story, the defeat of death itself seems almost inevitable, because how can death hold on to one who can still the deathly power of the raging waters with a word?

Praying as a Benefice

Please use the following text and prayer in quiet time; the text is from this Sunday's readings and the prayer is from Bishop Jonathan. Please pray either at noon or 5.55 pm (or both) every day.

This week's Bible Text

He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' (Mark 4: 40)

The Prayer

Glorious God,
You have taken hold of us and made us Your own.
In the power of Your Spirit give us grace to press on in Your purposes, loving one another, learning together and living the mission of Him who calls us onwards, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Intercessions

In the name of Jesus we pray for healing for those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, and for those who care for them.

We remember those who have died recently, and pray for their families and friends.



The Week Ahead

- Mon 25 10.00 am** Archaeologists' meeting
St M
- Tues 26 7.15 pm** Homegroup David and
Peggy 8028 3154
- 7.30 pm** Rock Choir St M
- Weds 27 10.30 am** Holy Communion and
coffee in Nondescripts
- 11.00 am** Bellringing AS
- 2.00 pm** Churchwardens meeting
Revd David Potterton AS CC St M
- 7.30 pm** Lay Pastors meeting
St M
- Thurs 28 7.30 pm** Homegroup AS
- 7.30 pm** Bellringing St M and AS
- Fri 29 3.00 pm** Kneeler Group AS
- 5.00 pm** Wedding Rehearsal AS
- Sat 30 2.00 pm** Wedding of Celia Cole
and Daniel Avery AS



Next Sunday 1st July 2018
Trinity 5

- 10.30 am Holy Communion CC
- 10.30 am Coffee then Altogether Worship
St M
- 10.30 am Service of the Word AS

- 2 Samuel 1. 1 17-end GNB OT 288
- 2 Corinthians 8. 7-end GNB NT 218
- Mark 5. 21-end GNB NT 50

Please note

AS is All Saints Minstead
CC is Christ Church Emery Down
St M is St Michael's Lyndhurst

Lay Pastors Meeting

Wednesday 27th June 7.00 for 7.30 pm

at St Michael's church

Holy Communion

"Not a ritual duty to perform but a blessing to receive"

Speaker – Revd Lynda Mead

Everybody welcome

Benefice Office Hours

Monday 10am-2pm Wednesday 10am-3.30pm

and Friday 10am-2pm

And if we are not in please leave a message and we will get back to you. 8028 3175

Per Piacere Orchestra

will be playing at St Michael's on the 14th July at 7.30pm.

Wag and Bone Show

Saturday 21 July 2018 2.30 – 5.00 pm

Emery Down and Bank Village Hall

Fun Dog Show starts at 2.45 pm with Fancy Dress for Dogs, Children and Adults, followed by Fun Dog Classes.

Cream Teas, Cake Stall and Raffle.

Entry at the gate: Adults £1 (children free), Dogs £5 for show (covers all classes)

Free Parking in adjacent field. In aid of Emery Down Church.

July

8th July

10.30 am Holy Communion CC

10.30 am Coffee then Morning Worship
St M

4.15 pm Discussion Group and tea AS

6.00 pm Evensong AS

15th July

9.30 am Holy Communion AS

11.00 am Holy Communion and coffee St M
6 pm Sunday at Six CC

22nd July

10.30 am Holy Communion CC

10.30 am Coffee then Altogether Worship
St M

10.30 am Service of the Word AS

29th July

10.30 am Christening CC

10.30 am Coffee then Altogether Worship
St M

10.30 am Service of worship and Music AS

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND in
LYNDHURST & EMERY DOWN & MINSTEAD

Trusting Christ Transforming Church
Transforming Community

24th June 2018

Trinity 4

Welcome to our gathering today!

If you wish to know more about the activities of our churches, please talk to one of the welcomers, call the Benefice Office (8028 3175) email us benefice@newforestparishes.com or look us up on Facebook, or the website (www.newforestparishes.com).

Today's Services

10.30 am Holy Communion CC

10.30 am Coffee then Altogether Worship
St M

10.30 am Service of the Word AS

Collect

**O God, the protector of all who trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong,**

nothing is holy: ☐

increase and multiply upon us your mercy; ☐

that with you as our ruler and guide ☐

we may so pass through things temporal ☐

that we lose not our hold on things eternal; ☐

grant this, heavenly Father, ☐

for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, ☐

who is alive and reigns with you, ☐

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ☐

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Today's Readings

1 Samuel 17:32-49

GNB OT 273

The story of the killing of Goliath reveals the faith, courage and charisma of the boy David, who will be Israel's most famous king.

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

GNB NT 217

Paul outlines the trials and joys of Christian ministry, as he urges the Christians in Corinth to play their part.

Mark 4:35-end

GNB NT 48

Jesus' demonstration of power over the storm provokes questions about his true identity