

Collect

God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

Today's Readings

Psalm 1

Philemon 1-21

Luke 14. 25-33

Wedding

Please remember Rebekah and Tom in your prayers as they prepare for their wedding next Saturday at All Saints' Church, Minstead.

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 10 September 7:15 pm

Home Group starts again – this week at Rackenford (Terry and Margaret's home). Further information 8028 3876. Tuesday Evening Home Group at the Heron's home, Beaulieu Road, Lyndhurst returns on 24 September.

Friday 13 September 7:00 pm StMs

Cheese and Wine – Benefice PCCs and congregations 'Meet and Greet' new Benefice Office staff (Suzanne and Kate).

Sunday 29 September at 6 pm StMs.

Patronal Festival for Michaelmas – St Michael's at 6 pm.

This is a Benefice Service where we commemorate St Michael and reflect on the Persecuted Church. This will be a Service of Holy Communion.

Saturday 12 October 7 pm Harvest Benefice Barn Dance in St Michael's.

Saturday 19 October 10.30 am – 3.30 pm BENEFICE AWAY DAY FOR **EVERYONE**:-St Saviour's Parish Church, Brockenhurst.

As we begin a new year together there are advantages in spending some time together to reflect upon the mission and ministry of the Benefice. In part, this is reflected in our pMaps (Parish Mission Action Plans) which the Diocese require us to create. These are exciting documents in that they bring together the plans and hopes of each Parish in the Benefice. You are encouraged to join us for a 'short' Away Day where we can learn about what each parish church is 'planning' and distil from this a plan for the wider Benefice. Please make space in your diary to join us and bring a packed lunch. We will conclude with a Service of Holy Communion.

Discipleship Course

From the week of 30 September for six weeks, David will lead a Discipleship Course for everyone in the Benefice.

The Pilgrim Course: Pilgrim is a teaching and discipleship resource from the Church of England. It aims to help every local church create a place where people can explore the Christian faith together and see how it can be lived out each day. Pilgrim approaches the great issues of faith not through persuasion, but participation in a pattern of contemplation and discussion with a group of fellow travellers.

Wednesday Afternoons 3-4.30 pm

We need a home to meet in either Minstead or Emery Down. If you can help, please contact Suzanne in Benefice Office.

Confirmation

If you have been baptised but have not been Confirmed and would like to discuss the opportunity to be so, please speak with David as the Confirmation Season approaches.

For those who lock and unlock St Michael and All Angels' Church

The spare key for the church is no longer held by the Chemist but can be obtained from the Reception Desk at the Crown Hotel. Any questions, please speak to Suzanne in the Benefice Office.

The Week Ahead

The Benefice office is open weekdays 9:30 am-11:30 am.

Mon 9 Sep	2:00 pm	Funeral AS
Tue 10 Sep	12:00 pm	STILL praying together AS
	7:15 pm	Home Group Rackenford
Wed 11 Sep	10:30 am	Holy Communion The Nondies
	7:15 pm	Minstead Singers AS
Thu 12 Sep	8:00 am	STILL praying together StM
	9:00 am	STILL praying together CC
	7:00 pm	PCC StM
	7:00 pm	Bell Ringing AS
	7:30 pm	Bell Ringing St M
Fri 13 Sep	3:00 pm	Kneeler Group AS
	5:45 pm	Wedding Rehearsal AS
	7:00 pm	Benefice PCCs cheese and wine StM
Sat 14 Sep	2:00pm	Wedding AS

Services Next Sunday: 15 September - Trinity 13

9:30 am	Holy Communion St M
11:00 am	Holy Communion AS
6:00 pm	Sunday at Six: New Forest Rock Choir – All Welcome CC

Next Week's Readings:

BENEFICE OF LYNDHURST AND EMERY DOWN AND MINSTEAD
Diocese of Winchester

One church – three homes

Living, Loving, Learning and Longing
in the power of the Holy Spirit

BENEFICE MATTERS

Sunday 8 September 2019 – Trinity 12

Welcome to our services today!

If you wish to know more about the activities of our churches, please talk to one of our Welcomers, call the Benefice Office (8028 3175), or email us: benefice@newforestparishes.com

You'll find us on Facebook and website www.newforestparishes.com

Today we welcome HARRIOT and SAOIRSE who are being baptised this morning at St Michael's and Christ Church, respectively.

Today's Services

8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) StM
9:30 am	Mickey's House and Baptism StM
11:00 am	Holy Communion and Baptism CC
4:15 pm	Discussion Group and Tea AS
6:00 pm	Evensong AS

Key

AS = All Saints' Church, Minstead. CC = Christ Church, Emery Down.
StMs = St Michael and All Angels' Church, Lyndhurst.

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU AS A REMINDER AS TO WHAT IS GOING ON AND AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO PRAY FOR THE MINISTRY AND MISSION OF THE BENEFICE.