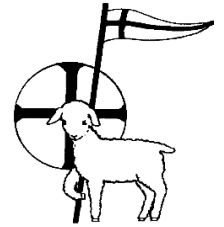


# St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August**

**The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**

*Do stay for refreshments after the 9.30 service. These are served outside the north door in good weather, otherwise in church near the Lady Chapel. Please wear a face covering while collecting your refreshments and move away from the table once you have them; please keep social distancing in mind as you chat.*

## Today's Services

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) St Andrew's Chapel  
President: The Revd Mark Hayter

9.30am Parish Communion  
President and Preacher: The Revd Colin Fox  
Setting: Mass of St Thomas *David Thorne*  
Hymns: 427 O praise ye the Lord; 341 Blest are the pure in heart; 296 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour;  
277 Bread of the world in mercy broken; 394 Let all the world in every corner sing

## Online services

Parish Communion from Hindon will be streamed live at 9.30am via Zoom on <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84966332040>  
Weekday services in the Nadder Valley continue via Zoom - details on our website.

**Services during the week** St Andrew's Chapel  
Services of Holy Communion take place on Wednesdays at 10.00am (CW) and Fridays at 8.00am (BCP)

**Next Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> August** **The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity** **Proper 17**

9.30am Parish Communion Area Service at **St John the Baptist, Hindon**  
President: The Revd Mark Hayter Preacher: The Revd Joanna Naish

If you need transport to Hindon, or if you can offer transport, please contact the Parish Administrator.

Please note, there will be no services at St John's, Tisbury, on 29<sup>th</sup> August

## For your prayers

We pray for the people of Afghanistan: for peace, for all those in fear for their safety, and for all who have worked so hard over the years for justice and liberation, that their work will not have been in vain.

Please continue to pray for all refugees, asking that they would be treated with compassion in their host countries. We continue also to pray for the victims of floods and wildfires in Europe, Australia and North America, and of the earthquake in Haiti.

In our linked diocese of Cuebiet, South Sudan, we are asked to pray for those involved in cattle-related violence within the diocese, that they may turn to caring for the environment.



## In memoriam

We are sorry to report the death of the Revd Roy Topping, formerly a Priest in the Nadder Valley Benefice. Please pray for his widow Hazel and all his family at this time of loss.

## Can you help?

We would love to have more volunteers (including chaps!) to help with refreshments after the 9.30 service. This would be approx. once a month. Do contact Trish if you are interested: 01747 871108 or [billandtrish9@gmail.com](mailto:billandtrish9@gmail.com)

The Revd Juliette Hulme, Team Vicar

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# The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

## The Collect

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. Amen.

## The First Reading: Joshua 24.1–2a, 14–18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people,

‘Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.’

Then the people answered, ‘Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.’

## The Gospel: John 6.56–69

Jesus said to the crowd: ‘Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.’ He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, ‘This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?’ But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, ‘Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.’ For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, ‘For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.’

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, ‘Do you also wish to go away?’ Simon Peter answered him, ‘Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.’

## Giving to the church



Thank you very much to those who continue to give regularly to the church. If you haven't committed to regular giving, why not consider joining the Parish Giving Scheme? If you go to [www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk) you can get onto the secure website and set up a login and password. This will enable you set up your own direct debit (and sign up for gift aid if applicable). If you require help or advice on giving, please contact Paul Naish, email [sjgiftaid@gmail.com](mailto:sjgiftaid@gmail.com) tel 01747 870731. Cheques are payable to Tisbury PCC.

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#### *New Trustees – may God be calling you to this role?*

As we move into a new Triennium in the autumn the Trust Board of the Diocesan Board of Education will be joined by up to five new trustees. Might you be called by God to serve Him in this way?

We have an exciting three years ahead working with schools, academies and, importantly, multi-academy trusts to shape our service to meet their needs. We will be working to help every church school fulfil their deeply Christian vision; schools at the heart of the parish communities to which they belong. If you would like to learn more about serving God and the children and young people of our diocese, please click on this link:

<https://www.salisbury.anglican.org/schools/diocesan-board-of-education-new-trustees-2021/>