

Nadder Valley Benefice

Western Area

Sunday 29th August

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Today's Service

9.30am Parish Communion St John the Baptist, Hindon

President: The Revd Mark Hayter Preacher: The Revd Joanna Naish

This is the only service in the western part of the Benefice today – a very warm welcome to all.

Our Zoomed service this Sunday is a Parish Communion from the northern area of the Nadder Valley Benefice.

Please note the later start time: 10.00am. Usual Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84966332040>

Services during the week in the Nadder Valley Benefice

Mondays at 5.30pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	Ansty (starting 6 th September)
Tuesdays at 8.00am	Holy Communion	Fovant
Wednesdays at 8.00am	Morning Prayer	Tisbury
Wednesdays at 10.00am	Holy Communion	Tisbury
Wednesdays at 11.00am	Holy Communion	Hindon
Thursdays at 8.00am	Holy Communion	Dinton
Fridays at 8.00am	Holy Communion	Tisbury

Online services in the Nadder Valley Benefice

Services are streamed online via Zoom as follows:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84966332040> Passcode: 039012

Sunday (at 10.00 this week)	Parish Communion
Monday at 08.30	Morning Prayer
Wednesday at 10.00	Holy Communion (CW)
Tuesday to Thursday at 17.30	Evening Prayer

Next Sunday, 5th September

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Fonthill Gifford

Priest: The Revd Juliette Hulme

9.30am Parish Communion Hindon

President: The Revd Mark Hayter

9.30am All-Age Service Tisbury (in the churchyard - weather permitting)

Led by the Revd Juliette Hulme and Canon Judy Anderson

5.00pm Evensong Fonthill Bishop

Minister: The Revd Joanna Naish

For your prayers

We continue to 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. We pray too for other parts of the world where there is conflict.

In our linked diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan, we are asked to pray for the separated peoples of the diocese and that local inter-clan violence be reduced.

As the Church's celebration of Creationtide begins on 1st September, we give thanks for the wonder of creation, and we pray that all will take action to reduce the damage done to the environment by humankind.



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The Collect

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. Amen.

The Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 4. 1-2, 6-9

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you.

You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

The Gospel: Mark 7. 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

"This people honours me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines."

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.'

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.' For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

FROM SALISBURY DIOCESAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (DBE)

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/>