

**For rehearsal purposes only, the following is the response required for next week's psalm 24**  
**'Such are the ones that seek your face, O Lord.**

**Hymn 318** *Lord, thy word abideth*

### **COLLECT**

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever

### **FIRST READING Isaiah 55.1-11**

The Lord says this: everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me and eat what is good and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear and come to me; listen so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know and nations that do not know you shall run to you because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord that he may have mercy on them and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there until they have watered the earth making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, it shall not return to me empty but it shall accomplish that which I purpose and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

**Psalm 19 vv 1-8** *Caeli, enarrant*

The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth his handy work.  
One day telleth another: and one night certifieth another.  
There is neither speech nor language: but their voices are heard among them.  
Their sound is gone out into all lands: and their words into the ends of the world.  
In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun: which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber and rejoiceth as a giant to run his course.  
It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven and runneth about unto the end of it again: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.  
The law of the Lord is an undefiled law converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure and giveth wisdom unto the simple.  
The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure and giveth light unto the eyes.

### **SECOND READING 2 Timothy 3.14-4.5**

Continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming

when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

### **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

I am the Way, the Truth and the life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me.  
**Alleluia!**

### **GOSPEL John 5.36-47**

Jesus said to the Jews, 'I have a testimony greater than John's. The works that the Father has given me to complete, the very works that I am doing, testify on my behalf that the Father has sent me. And the Father who sent me has himself testified on my behalf. You have never heard his voice or seen his form and you do not have his word abiding in you, because you do not believe him whom he has sent. You seach the scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life and it is they that testify on my behalf. Yet you refuse to come to me to have life. I do not accept glory from human beings, but I know that you do not have the love of God in you. I have come in my Father's name and you do not accept me; if another comes in his own name you will accept him. How can you believe when you accept glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the one who alone is God? Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; your accuser is Moses, on whom you have set your hope. If you believed Moses, you would believe me for he wrote about me, But if you do not believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?'

**Hymn 310** *Lord, for the years.*

### **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Lord God, may the gifts we offer bring us your love and forgiveness and give us freedom to serve you with our lives.

### **COMMUNION SENTENCE**

The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many.

**Hymn 334** *May the mind of Christ my Saviour*  
**Anthem** *Word of the Father...French trad.*

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Hymn 514** *Thou, whose almighty word*

**Please pray for our two Church Aided Schools:**

Nyewood Junior School, (in special measures), for the acting head teacher, Sandra Jones and Nyewood Infants School; for the head teacher, Jacqui Cobb and for all the teaching staff, governors, parents and pupils. Father Andrew takes assemblies at 9.10 on Wednesdays at the Infants School and at 9.00 on Thursdays at the Junior School

**Please pray for those who are sick or in need, including:**

Christine Harris, Oliver Baxter-Smith, Joyce and Lincoln Brett, Christine MacKay, Christine Thomas, Joan Soothill, Peter Jessop, Ron Thomas, James Inwood, Edna Moody

Father Andrew is available for those who wish to make their confessions. Please arrange this with him and note his day off is Monday. He is also available from 4.30 pm to 5.00 pm in the Lady Chapel on Saturdays.

**TODDLER CORNER** This area in church is for pre-school children. There are activity sheets on the table by the south porch for older children to use in their places during the service. Please collect them before the service begins.

**JUNIOR CHURCH - MISSION:POSSIBLE**

The special agents will be learning about Our Mission Manual – this will last for ever and never self destruct.

**BULLETIN 37 is available today**

**26-30 OCTOBER** – Walsingham Pilgrimage

**26 OCTOBER** – House Group meeting at Abbeyfield 2-4 pm. Contact Gill Hutchison 827990

**29 OCTOBER** – House Group meeting hosted by Alan Baker at 78 Kyoto Court (865681) at 7.15 pm.

**1 NOVEMBER** – All Saints Day

**2 NOVEMBER** – All Souls Day. Services will be held at 10.00 am and 7.00 pm (said Eucharist with appropriate music). Please see Jean Rose to add names to the list of those to be remembered.

**4 NOVEMBER** – Finance Committee meeting at 5.15 pm in the Committee Room.

**5 NOVEMBER** – Churches Together in Bognor Regis District meeting to be held at St Wilfrid's at 7.15 pm

**8 NOVEMBER** – 6.00 pm Evensong – p Miranda Cornell to speak about English for Migrant Workers.

**9 NOVEMBER** – House Group meeting at Abbeyfield 2-4 pm

**10 NOVEMBER** – 7.30 pm Deanery Synod at St Wilfrid's

**11 NOVEMBER** – 7.15 PCC Meeting in the Committee Room

**PLEASE START THINKING ABOUT OUR CHRISTMAS FAIR ON 5 DECEMBER. BULLETIN 37 HAS DETAILS OF THE DONATIONS NEEDED TO MAKE THE FAIR A SUCCESS. THIS WEEK WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO BRING IN TOILETRY GIFTS FOR MEN AND WOMEN.**



# 25<sup>th</sup> October 2009

## Last of Trinity/Bible Sunday

*Welcome to the parish church of St Wilfrid.  
We welcome all our visitors today and invite you to join us for refreshments in the Hall after the service.*

**TODAY'S SERVICES**

Holy Communion	08.00
Parish Eucharist	10.30

**SERVICES THIS WEEK**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>26 Oct</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>10.00</b>
<i>Alfred the Great, King of the West Saxons, Scholar, 899</i>			
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>27 Oct</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>10.00</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>28 Oct</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	<b>18.00</b>
<i>Simon and Jude, Apostles</i>		<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>Prayer &amp; mission</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>29 Oct</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>Unity</b>
<i>James Hannington, Bishop of Easter Equatorial Africa, Martyr in Uganda, 1885</i>			
<b>Friday</b>	<b>30 Oct</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>The Cross</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>31 Oct</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>Mary</b>
		<b>Evening Prayer</b>	<b>17.00</b>

**SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY- 1 November**

<i>All Saints Day</i>	
<b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>08.00</b>
<b>Parish Eucharist</b>	<b>10.30</b>

IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, THE EXITS ARE THE NARTHEX, EAST DOOR, CHOIR VESTRY AND SOUTH PORCH. FIRST AID BOXES ARE OUTSIDE THE CHOIR VESTRY AND IN THE HALL