

#### **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

*Welcome to our Service this morning. Please find below the Notices for the week, with new and amended ones underlined.*

*The songs for this morning's All-age Service can be found on the separate Order and on the overhead screen.*

Sunday 21st September	10.00am	All-age Worship
	10.00am	Holy Communion
	3.00pm	at Ashby Puerorum
		Harvest Festival at
		All Saints', Greetham
Tuesday 23rd September	1.00pm	Pastoral visitors' course
	7.30pm	TCC meeting
Wednesday 24th September	9.30am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Standing Committee meet
	2.30pm	Bible Society meeting
Thursday 25th September	11.00am	Safeguarding meeting
	4.15pm	'Cornerstone'
		Finance meeting
	6.00pm	Air Cadet's Presentation
		Evening at St. Mary's
Friday 26th September	7.00pm	Harvest Festival at
		St. Michael's, Martin
Saturday 27th September	10.00am -	Macmillan Coffee Morning
	12.00noon	in the Community Centre

#### **REV. JOHN THOROLD**

It is with sadness that we heard of the death of our good friend, the Rev. John Thorold during this last week. John has been a faithful priest in the diocese for many years, and our prayers and thoughts are very much with his family and close friends at this time.

#### **PASTORAL STUDIES COURSE**

Judith Parkin and Rev. Cilla Smith are offering a six-week course on pastoral visiting beginning on Tuesday, 23rd September from 1.00 – 3.30 pm. They say, 'this might be a good refresher or a starting session for anyone involved in pastoral ministry', and furthermore that, 'there is much good material in the new course that is helpful when visiting our church members and others who ask for support'. If you would like to know more, please contact Cilla or Judith.

#### **LEADING INTERCESSIONS**

Judith Parkin is also kindly running a session for those who are interested in leading or reading Intercessions at our Sunday services. This will be at 9.30am on Saturday, 27th September at her home. Please see Judith, the Clergy or our Wardens for further details.

#### **HARVEST FESTIVALS**

We look forward to the following Harvest Services in the Group:  
Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> September – 3.00pm at All Saints', Greetham  
Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> September – 7.00pm at St. Michael's, Martin  
Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> September – 3.00pm at St. Wilfrid's, Thornton  
Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> October – 10.00am at St. Mary's, Horncastle  
Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> October – 3.00pm at St. Margaret's, Thimbleby  
Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> October – 10.00am at St. Andrew's, Ashby Puerorum

#### **CONFIRMATION**

A number of people have approached us to talk about Confirmation. Perhaps you are also exploring your Christian faith, and would like to know more about what Confirmation entails? If so, please have a word with the Clergy or Wardens, who can tell you more.

**Collect:** Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through 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.

**Amos 8, 4 - 7 p. 889**

**1 Timothy 2, 1 - 7 p. 223**

**Luke 16, 1 - 13**

Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

'Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

#### **FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

Sunday 28th September	10.00am	Holy Communion with
	3.00pm	Prayers for Healing
		Harvest Festival at
		St. Wilfrid's, Thornton
	3.00pm	Pastoral Teas
Wednesday 1st October	9.30am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	'Coffee +' meet
Thursday 2nd October	10.00am	BCP Holy Communion
	6.00pm	Choir Practice
	7.30pm	PCC meeting
Saturday 4th October	10.00am	Coffee in Church
	12.00noon	Wedding of Anthony
		Flitcroft & Rosanna Dobson

#### **MENINADANCA**

Please note that we will be holding a Bucket Collection for one of our chosen charities, Meninadanca, on Sunday, 28th September.

#### **HORNCASTLE CRISIS SUPPORT TEAM**

Please see the separate flyer outlining the work of the Horncastle Crisis Support Team. We are extremely grateful for all that they do.

#### **PRAYER FOR THE TOWN**

Week beginning the 21st September: please pray for the residents and businesses of Paradise Place and Paradise Row

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Thursday, 25th September - Jacob Barrs

*If you would like your birthday mentioned, please contact Shelagh Carter. Her E-mail address is neil640carter@gmail.com*

*At our Communion services, if you would like a gluten free wafer, please let the Stewards or Clergy know before the service starts.*

*Please note, if you wish to leave a gift by Bank Card, you can use the 'Goodbox' near the entrance. Also, to give via your 'phone, you can use the QR code on the cards in the pews. Thank you.*

*Please look at our website for further details on these notes:  
[www.stmaryshorncastle.org.uk](http://www.stmaryshorncastle.org.uk)*



*Lord, please give us the confidence to live the love of Jesus Christ with the community here in Horncastle and in the surrounding villages. Amen.*