

Weekly notices for the parishes of Northwood, and Gurnard with Cowes St Faith

Sunday 19th September 2021 - Harvest

Welcome to our benefice! If you are visiting one of our churches for the first time, please introduce yourself to us!

TODAY'S SERVICES	
Northwood	Gurnard
11.00am Holy Communion	9.30am Our Harvest Service
NEXT WEEK'S SERVICES	
Northwood	Gurnard
Sun 11.00am BCP Morning Prayer	Sun 9.30am Celtic Communion

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Church Wardens

Northwood (NW) - 'Encouraging peace, love & friendship within our community'.
Peter Lambert (tel. no: 526385) Pam Clements (tel. no: 526220)

Gurnard (AS) - 'A welcoming church, for the community, sharing God's love'.
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Those struggling in one way or another: Sara B, Pam D-L, Rita W, Pam D, Jill G, Betty B, Dave A, Janet F, Ann B, Katie L, Sheila H, John D, Karen N, Ian M, Wendy, Athalie, Christine, Liz W, Andy, Kay O, Finley, Frank G, Doris C, Roger G, Dave B, John M, Will, Mary, Billy S, Susan C, Malcolm B, Sarah & Den H, Betty M, Ronnie H, Pauline & Graham, David P, Derek D, Jan & Michael Webb, Ann H, Stuart N, John G, Jane W, Brian G and Diana S.

And the bereaved families and friends of: Edna Burnan, Betty Richardson, Shirley Rich, Gordon Cleall, Emma French, John Parker, Harry Flood, Rosemary Jeffrey, Jill Dargan, Lambert W, David Chilcott, Joan Joliffe, Ralph Rayner, Monica Probert, Dom, Peggy Lein, Wendy Windsor, Heidi Wray, Pat Bissell, Dave Davies and all those whose loved ones' anniversary falls this week.

Other friends far and near: Dawn and Simon married yesterday, our friends and colleagues in CtiC and the Central Cluster, the Deanery, Archdeacon Peter, Bishop Rob and the Diocese.

Collect: Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading: Joel 2 : 21 - 27

The prophet announces the blessings which God will heap upon his faithful people.

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing-floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Second Reading - I Timothy 2 : 1 - 7

Paul urges Timothy to pray not only for his own people, but also for those in authority, who are just as precious in the sight of God. We should do the same.

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

This is the word of the Lord - **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 6 : 25 - 33

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Post Communion Prayer: Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

NOTICES:

EVENTS HAPPENING IN OUR PARISHES NEXT WEEK	
Mon 20 th Sep	2.00pm Scrabble Club in the Garden room
Tue 21 st Sep	1.00pm NW PCC in church
	6.30pm Deanery Treasurer meeting in Newport parish rooms
Wed 22 nd Sep	10.30am Holy Communion in St Mary’s

Thu 23 rd Sep	9.00am - 4.00pm Clergy Conference in St Mary's Portsea
	10.30am Coffee and Chat in AS
	7.00pm Lay conference in Newport Minster
	7.30pm Vectis Brass Band concert at NW church

VECTIS BRASS AUTUMN CONCERT AT NW - Thu 23rd at 7.30pm. Come along to this free concert where you will hear a variety of music to suit all tastes. Retiring collection will be split between the church and the band

NORTHWOOD COFFEE MORNING - Sat 25th Sep 10am to 12pm. Stalls - Cakes - Raffle - Bring & Buy Stalls: Everyone welcome.

FELLOWSHIP FEAST - Sun 26th Sep 12.15pm. Please join us at the Stag Pub in Northwood for lunch (every 4th Sun). This is open to both Northwood and Gurnard Churches. Please call Sally Martin 295416 by the 19th Sep to book your place.

CRAFT EVENING AT NW CHURCH - Wed 13th Oct at 7.30pm: Beaded bracelets £15.00. Please call Pat 526385 to book your place.

FOODBANK: Current need is as follows: rice pudding, tinned spaghetti, washing up liquid, shaving foam/gel, sponge pudding, tinned potatoes, squash 750ml, toilet roll, par-baked bread, toothbrushes (single) and razors. Thank you for continued support.

SHOEBOX SCHEME 2021: Forms are available from **Northwood Stores or the Church.** The form gives all details, instructions and advice on how to make up your shoebox. **Please return filled boxes by 31st Oct.**

(AS) HYMN LOTTERY (£1 a week): If you would like to take part in this, please contact Rosemary (200980) or Wendy (292145).