# SHIRLEY PARISH KNOWING CHRIST MAKING HIM KNOWN

## 28<sup>th</sup> September – 5<sup>th</sup> October Trinity 15 The Parish of Shirley

St James the Great and St John the Divine

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Sun 28 <sup>th</sup>	8:00am	Eucharist (St James and You Tube)
	9:00am	Eucharist (St Johns)
	10.30am	Worship 4 Everyone (St James & YouTube)
Tues 30th	10.00am	Welcome Café (Church House)
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup>	9:30am	School Harvest Service (St James)
	2:00pm	Mothers Union (Church House)
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30am	Eucharist (St James)
	2:00pm	Funeral (St James)
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00am	Jimmy Tots (Church House)
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Parish Prayers (Zoom)
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Parish Eucharist (St James & YouTube)

#### **Parish Notices**

#### **Mothers Union October 1st Meeting**

This month we have a talk entitled "Lest we forget", by Mary Bodfish. It will be in Church House at the usual time of 2pm. All are welcome.

<u>Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October 10am- 12.30pm</u> The Eco group is holding a Green Fair in Church. This is part of our Harvest celebration and will offer information and demonstrations around carbon footprint, climate change and living more sustainably. You can also get a cuppa at the Friends' coffee morning.

<u>Friends Coffee Morning</u> The Friends are now collecting bric a brac and books for the Coffee Morning on Saturday 4th October 10am – 12pm noon in Church House. Items can be left in the Parish Office. Cakes gratefully received on the day. Please come and support us on 4<sup>th</sup> October.

<u>HARVEST GIVING</u> can be brought to the services at St James on 28 Sep and 5 October. The donations are for the Foodbank. Tinned and non-perishable food needed.

<u>The Shirley Band in Concert</u> The Friends of St. James are now selling tickets for this event which is at 7.30pm on Saturday 18th October in Church. Tickets are on sale for £8 each from the Parish Office or pay on the door.

<u>Welcome Café McMillan Coffee Morning</u> An amazing £245 was raised at the McMillan Coffee Morning. Thank you to everyone who supported and attended.

Vicar - in vacancy

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#### For prayer in the Parish this week

Our parish finances which are continuing to predict a shortfall in the amounts we receive and spend.

The Foodbank which is very low on supplies.

Local schools as they learn about Harvest and Creation

#### **THOSE TO BE BAPTISED**

Miles Travers, Alini Obi and Olivia Lawrence

#### **Years Mind**

Amy Norman and Jim Pederson

#### **Those Who Have Died**

Jordy Pinkerton

### Collect for 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be

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in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.

#### Readings for Sunday 28th September

#### Jeremiah 32: 1-3a & 6-15

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Zedekiah had said, "Why do you prophesy and say: Thus says the LORD: I am going to give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it; Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the LORD, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD. And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

#### 1 Timothy 6: 6-19

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

#### Luke 16: 19-31

"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.'

But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house— for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"