

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUNDAY, 11th OCTOBER

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THE 18th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY:

Isaiah 25: 1-9; Philippians 4: 1-9; Matthew 22: 1-14 Pslam 23

Harvest Readings:-

Deuteronomy 8: 7-18; 2 Corinthians 9: 6-15; Luke 12: 16-30 or 17: 11-19

WEEKLY REFLECTION & STORY:

The Rector has written a brief reflection and prayer for this week's readings – the document is attached.

There is a recording of the Rector reading this reflection and prayer, plus Stuart Leeming reading "The Big Party" from the Lion Storyteller Bible. Both were filmed near the altar at the church in Bow Brickhill.

These can be found on the following links:

- **Reflection & Prayer:-** https://youtu.be/B_9KzCv5BRU
- **"The Big Party":-** <https://youtu.be/mD98Tul800>

SUNDAY SERVICE - Revd Val Plumb, Rural Dean for Mursley Deanery

The Rural Dean will be recording a 15/20-minute service for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity - Where is the church during Covid 19?

Follow the link:- <https://youtu.be/N3KBya7gk10>

RADIO 4:

Sunday Worship at 8.10am The priory and the pottery

Ewenny Priory in the Vale of Glamorgan is one of the UK's most remarkable Norman buildings, this year marking the 900th anniversary of its dedication. Nearby Ewenny Pottery has been worked in by the same family since at least the 1600s.

As we're shaped by our own turbulent times, the historic continuity of a place like Ewenny can be a source of strength and inspiration. In this service led by Canon Edwin Counsell, the Bishop of Llandaff the Rt Rev June Osborne reflects on the way our history and context shapes us, while father and daughter potters Alun and Caitlin Jenkins share their experiences of working with clay.

BBC TELEVISION:

Sunday Morning Live BBC 1 at 10.30am Episode 16 of 20

Sean Fletcher and Sally Phillips take a look at the week's talking points and explore the ethical and religious issues of the day. Alongside lively chat, the show also shines a light on inspiring, unique and occasionally unusual stories and people.

Songs of Praise BBC 1 at 1.15pm Prisons Sunday

Claire McCollum is in the Clink restaurant in Styal near Manchester, where inmates from the nearby prison are being given the chance of a fresh start in life by being trained in a fine dining restaurant.

Pam Rhodes meets former politician, now ordained priest, Jonathan Aitken in London to hear about his journey from prison to the pulpit. At Lambeth Palace, Pam finds out about the Church of England's free Daily Hope phone service, now also available in prisons across the country.

As the Bishop of Dover, the Rt Rev Rose Hudson Wilkin, calls for a change in attitudes towards asylum seekers, we meet the Christian charities helping refugees on the south coast.

With congregational singing recorded before the current restrictions, as well as specially recorded hymns from singer Mary Jess and vocal ensemble Tessera.

OXFORD DIOCESE LIVE STREAMING:

Church at Home for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, 11th October at 10am.

We worship God together from across the communities of the Diocese of Oxford. The President is the Venerable Jonathan Chaffey, Archdeacon of Oxford, and the address is given by the Revd Tina Molyneux, Diocesan Discipleship Enabler.

This week the focus is discipleship and what it means to follow Jesus Christ today. The Diocesan vision is to enable the whole people of God to feel confident and equipped to become more Christ-like for the sake of God's world. It's about renewing and re-igniting the faith of every person to find and follow God in everyday life.

To download the order of service and to watch the service, live or at a later time, follow the link:- <https://www.oxford.anglican.org/coronavirus-covid-19-2/livestream/>

To access by telephone, dial 01865 920930 to hear the latest service (press 0= short service, 1= full service). Standard call rates apply.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND ONLINE:

Worship at Home, an Online Service at 9am

Celebrating chaplaincy in care homes

This online service celebrates chaplaincy in care homes.

Debbie Thrower, founder of Anna Chaplaincy, leads the service, with contributions from care home chaplains and residents, as well as a poetry reading from Bob Weighton, once the oldest man in the world.

Click on the following link:-

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/join-us-church-online/weekly-online-services/celebrating-chaplaincy-care-homes>

To download the Order of Service, follow the link below:-

<https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2020-10/Trinity%2018%20-%202011th%20October%20OOS%20VFF%20AFN.docx.pdf>

PLUS, BISHOP STEVEN'S PODCAST, RECORDED ON 9th OCTOBER:

Brother, sister, let me serve you

Let me be as Christ to you

Pray that I may have the gift to let you be my servant too.

The servant song by Richard Gillard is one of the most popular contemporary worship songs, sung by churches of many different traditions. It's often chosen for services of ordination and licensing new ministers. The song captures something vital about the way of discipleship. As Christians we are called to a life of service together, to love and support one another in all the joys and sorrows of our lives. But where does that idea come from?

To listen to the podcast, go to:-

<https://blogs.oxford.anglican.org/podcast/servant-leadership/>