

Local abbreviations

Br : Broomfield CF : Cheddon Fitzpaine
KSM: Kingston St Mary WM: West Monkton
ROC – Romanian Orthodox Church
Trad HC: Communion from Book of Common Prayer
HC: Holy Communion Ch.Es: Choral Evensong
Morn. Wsp: Morning Worship;
Eve Wsp: Evening Worship



OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

“To know, share and spread the love of God”

Welcome

1st SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 7th June 2026

Collect for 1st Sunday after Trinity

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son. **Amen**

Readings: Romans 4: 13-end
Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26
(WM: Hosea 5: 15 – 6: 6)

For your prayers:

Philippa, Tom Baker, Carol Carter, Charlie Way,
Andy, Barbara Hastilow, Bob Pettitt, Ray Cleave,
Sandy & Brian Adams, Elizabeth Huntingford.
*If you know of someone who wishes us to pray for
them, please obtain their permission before you
contact the Office*

Those who have died and those who mourn them:

Receiving Communion: All who are baptised are
welcome to receive bread & wine in our
churches.

If you want to receive bread intincted in the chalice
come to the LEFT half of the altar rail and to drink
from the common cup to the RIGHT.

(a collection for the work of the church may be
taken during the service)

DATE	Br	CF	KSM	WM
7 th June	6.00pm Deanery Reflection & Prayer	11.00am HC	9.30am HC and Kids Church	8.30am BCP HC 10.00am Morn.Wsp
14 th June		9am–2pm ROC	8.30am BCP HC	10.00am HC
21 st June	11.00am HC	6.00pm Prayer & Reflection	9.30am HC	8.30am BCP HC 10.00am Morn.Wsp
28 th June		9am–2pm ROC	8.30am BCP HC 6pm Ch. Esong	10.00am HC
5 th July	6.00pm Eve.Wsp	11.00am HC	9.30am HC and Kids Church	8.30am BCP HC 10.00am Morn.Wsp
12 th July		9am–2pm ROC	8.30am BCP HC	10.00am HC
<i>Tuesday 8.30am morning prayer on Zoom. Contact the office for the link if you'd like to join in</i>				
<i>Wednesdays: Bible study group in the Benefice Office 7pm. Contact the benefice office for details</i>				
Morning Prayer in Kingston church: Normally Rev Jim Cox will say Morn Prayer in Kingston church on Mon – Weds at 8.00am do come and join him if you wish.				

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PRAYERS:

Please pray for the events taking place across
the Benefice, that we make Christ known in all
we do and in all our conversations.

Pray for Tracey Hallett (our former Curate)
who will be licensed as Pioneer Vicar in the
White Horse Team, Westbury 14th June at 3pm

Readings 14th June: 2nd Sunday after Trinity

Romans 5: 1-8 Matthew 9: 35 – 10: 8
Exodus 19: 2-8a (WM)

June

- 7th 2.00pm West Monkton Open Gardens – see details below
- 7th 6.00pm Taunton Deanery Prayer & Reflection in Broomfield church with local musicians
- 9th 2.30-4pm Meditation Group starts – 5 weeks at Tricia’s – contact the office for details
- 13th Kingston Fete from 2.30pm onwards. Food, bar, stalls etc into the evening with live music.
- 9th 6.00pm Archdeacon’s Visitation – The Minster. Arrive from 5.45pm with your form. Service at 7pm
- 19th 7.00pm KSM – talk by Michael Brown
POSTPONED until the autumn
- 27th 7.00pm Men’s Group – cocktails at Vicarage

July

- 3rd 7.00pm Broomfield concert ‘The Rivertones’
Tickets £15 incl food & a drink. Contact Paul on 07775 853730
- 4th 10am WM Coffee & More - Rachel Knight, aka ‘Village agent’ joins us for an informative talk about what’s going on in West Monkton Parish.
- 5th 2-5pm Cheddon Open Gardens- tickets £10 incl tea & cake. Under 10’s free. See details below
- 12th Pilgrimage – see details of what’s proposed

Sun 7th June 2.00pm WM – Open Gardens 2pm-5pm. £10 incl refreshments. Collect tickets from the church at 2pm. All gardens within walking distance of the church. Our garden hosts will be happy to welcome you into their gardens, where for the past six months they would have been very busy preparing. *We will also have plants for sale. If you have any to donate please drop them off in the church the day before.*

Meditation Group 9th June: 2.30-4pm
at Tricia’s in WM area for 5 weeks – contact office for location details – open to everyone

Sun 5th July 2-5pm Cheddon Open Gardens
tickets £10 incl tea & cake. Under 10’s free. Limited parking. Tickets & maps available from the church from 2pm on the day

Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

⁹ As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, ‘Follow me.’ And he got up and followed him.
¹⁰ And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹ When the Pharisees saw this,

they said to his disciples, ‘Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?’ ¹² But when he heard this, he said, ‘Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means, “I desire mercy, not sacrifice.” For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.’

¹⁸ While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, ‘My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.’ ¹⁹ And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰ Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹ for she said to herself, ‘If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.’ ²² Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, ‘Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.’ And instantly the woman was made well. ²³ When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴ he said, ‘Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.’ And they laughed at him. ²⁵ But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶ And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Reflection on Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

He has come to call the righteous, not the sinners – so says our Lord - when challenged by the Pharisees about why he has called the tax collector Matthew and eaten at his house. Both stories tell us much about both Jesus’ mission and his divine nature as God’s Son: not just his mission of mercy, but his breaking down of the hard line between Jew and Gentile (by patronising an agent of the Gentile Roman administration), his opposition to the judgemental Pharisees, and his treatment of women and supersession of the Levitical Law. The resurrection of the dead girl points forwards towards Jesus’ own Death and Resurrection. Jesus “desires Mercy, not sacrifice” – a quote from Hosea 6 – a chapter of prophetic references to Jesus’ three day death, the transience of Israel’s faith and the core desire of God’s acknowledgement of the heart over burnt offerings. Thus Jesus couches his critique in the language of the prophets, emphasises the centrality of faith over law and looks ahead to his own death, resurrection and our own salvation.

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