

26 June 2022:
**Second Sunday
after Trinity**
Year C

The Parish of East Preston with Kingston

St Mary the Virgin

NOTICE SHEET



Today's **hymns** are from the BLUE book (HON):
259; 30; 394; 522; 630; 672.

The **chalice** is being restored to everybody at communion.
Taking the chalice remains your choice. There is to be no
"intinction" - ie dipping the wafer in the wine.

Next **Sun 3 July**, the Archdeacon of Chichester,
the Venerable Luke Irvine-Capel will be presiding
and preaching at 10am. Please come along to meet
him.

Diary Dates:

Sat **2 July** 10-11am Church cleaning party
Sun **3 July** 3pm Families at 3
Mon **4 July** 10am-12 noon Welcome Café
Thur **7 July** 2pm Women's Fellowship
Thur **14 July** 10am Women's Fellowship
Corporate Communion
Sun **17 July** 10am All Age Worship
Tue **2 Aug** 7pm PCC meeting
Sat **10 Sep** 1pm Memorial Service for Doug
Medhurst in church (retiring collection for RNLI)

John Harbidge writes: The final tally of donations from
the Church congregations during **Christian Aid
Week** amounted to a total of £ 215 – about half of
which was Gift Aided which will increase the total to
just over £ 240. The COVID-modified House-to-
House Delivery-only Collections this year raised £ 580
and the Gift Aid will increase this by just over £ 100.
The sponsored Walking Challenge of 20,000 Steps over
the whole of Christian Aid Week has raised £225 with
Just Giving and Gift Aid increasing this to around £285.
The total proceeds this year - £ 1,020 - even without
Gift Aid - will go primarily to helping small farmers in
Zimbabwe meet the rising costs of food and to buy the
fertilisers that will enable them to grow more disease-
resistant and drought-resistant crops next year. Thank
you so much to everyone who donated and/or took
part and also to those who helped in the organisation.

The **social committee** is looking for new
members to help organise some of the social and
fundraising events held at St Mary's. The next

planning meeting is on **Wed 6 July** at 6pm in the
Spire Room. Please speak to Vivien Ayling for
more information.

Nova Brookes writes: I wish to tender my resignation as
the Electoral Roll Officer as of the APCM . It does not
need to be on the PCC in order to hold the position. It
is quite interesting and not at all onerous. If you are
interested in becoming the Electoral Roll Officer, please
see Rev. Emma or myself.

ECO HINT for JUNE: RESTRICTING YOUR WATER USAGE

Water is precious. Without it we couldn't live.
Guilty of leaving the tap running while cleaning your teeth,
or turning the shower on 5 mins early to warm up the
water? We have all done it and it's wasteful. I use a bucket
to catch the cool water from the shower, which can later
be used on the garden. Likewise, when washing-up I have
a watering can in the kitchen to catch the water, before it
reaches temperature. This is also used to water the
garden.

**Please remember in your prayers those in
special need especially:** Adrian; Mo; Alison;
David; Chris; Gordon; Sue Ralph; Lucy Parkes; baby
Luke Wells; Ness; Joan; Joan Smith; June Robbens;
Ray Hand; Ray Bone; Mary; Sister Lucia.
*N.B. This list restarts at the beginning of each month. Please let
Rev'd Emma know if you would like to keep/add names to the list.*
We remember those who've died recently:
John Nettleton;
**and those whose anniversary falls this
coming week:** Ivy Taylor; Frank Putney; Harry
Lyon; Edwin Taylor; Brian Vincent; Doris Pauline
Simpson; Julia Nicholson; Robert Burrow; Mary
Ellen Medhurst.

*Fr Andrew is taking Study Leave until 12 August, and so will
not be around - during this time Rev'd Emma will be in
charge of all parish matters.*

Readings for next Sunday: (3 July: Thomas the
Apostle): Habbakuk 2:1-4; Ephesians 2:19-end; John
20:24-29.

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Collect:

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

A reading from the book of Kings:

2 Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel.

6 Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets* also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

9 When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' ¹⁰He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' ¹¹As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. ¹²Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

13 He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. ¹⁴He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, 'Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?' When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

A reading from the letter to the Galatians:

5¹ For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

13 For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters;* only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence,* but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love

your neighbour as yourself.' ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

16 Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy,* drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

22 By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

A reading from the gospel according to St Luke:

51 When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?*' ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then* they went on to another village.

57 As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' ⁵⁹To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' ⁶⁰But Jesus* said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' ⁶¹Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' ⁶²Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Post Communion:

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.