

Collect

Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Reading: Isaiah 43.1-7

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, 'Give them up', and to the south, 'Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth-everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.'

Gospel: Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

Notices

Church Magazine – All articles for **February's** issue to Janet Ray by **20th January** at magazineholyltrinity@gmail.com

Message from Laurabeth Creasey - As some of you may already know, I am currently undertaking a year's course to become a licenced lay worship leader. Part of my course is about looking at what opportunities for worship we currently offer in the benefice and what we could offer in the future. I hope to be able to offer services such as Morning Prayer, Compline, Healing Services, Coral Evensong and many more, if there is a want for it. These new opportunities for worship will hopefully broaden what we can offer our communities as well as current congregations. A questionnaire will be coming out, in the coming month, to each of the churches, to ask for your opinions on new forms/types of worship/services you would like to see offered. I hope to have your support in this venture. Many thanks. Laurabeth

Holy Trinity Choir - Sing with Us! Rothwell Holy Trinity Church Choir is currently recruiting new members to join our friendly mixed choir. We rehearse Tuesday evenings and perform 3 Sunday morning services every month. You don't need any previous musical training or experience, just a love of music and community – so whether such an engaging new venture fulfils your New Year's resolution or has planted a seed of curiosity, please contact either Norman: 01536 710258 / norbre@btinternet.com or David: 01536 764378 / david_pt@btinternet.com, to find out more.

Walsingham 2025 - Our annual weekend to Walsingham Shrine will take place on Friday 24th October to Sunday 26th October. Anyone interested in joining with Holy Trinity and All Saints church, Kettering please let Janet Clements know as soon as possible as places quickly get filled. Transport can be arranged. janetclements1961@gmail.com

Readings for the Week

Monday: Hebrews 1.1-6, Psalm 97.1-2, 6-10, Mark 1.14-20
Tuesday: Hebrews 2.5-12, Psalm 8, Mark 1.21-28
Wednesday: Hebrews 2.14-end, Psalm 105.1-9, Mark 1.29-39
Thursday: Hebrews 3.7-14, Psalm 95.1, 8-end, Mark 1.40-end
Friday: Hebrews 4.1-5, Psalm 78.3-8, Mark 2.1-12
Saturday: Hebrews 4.12-end, Psalm 19.7-end, Mark 2.13-17

Please Pray for

All women in Afghanistan where women's education is not allowed or their rights restricted.

All that have been recently diagnosed with a serious illness and awaiting surgery or treatment.

The victims of the earthquake in Tibet and the rescue workers who are searching for survivors.

The people that have had to abandon their homes in Los Angeles and the loss of lives as wildfires continue to spread towards the city.

Peace to prevail in all countries affected by conflict.

Intercession List

Tricia, Nicki Domanovic, Anne, Christine McCoy

Departed

Freda Thompson, Linda Nurthen, Rod Davis, John Durden

Please let Dawn Cooper know of names to be added to our Intercession list to be included in our Prayers for one month unless notified otherwise. Tel 07955 119099 (Tuesday to Thursday between 9:00am – 5:00pm) or E Mail: treshambeneficeassistant@yahoo.co.uk