



PARISH OF ST BARTHOLOMEW WESTHOUGHTON

St Bartholomew

St Thomas

St George

**Sunday 8th July 2018 – Sixth Sunday after Trinity
Sea Sunday**

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

9.15am Parade / Sermons at St Thomas'

Hymns: **A&M As announced**

9.15am Eucharist at St George's

Hymns as Announced

11.00am Holy Communion/Parade at St Bartholomew's Hymns: **A&M As hymn sheet**

2.00pm Baptism of Amelia Rose Davies at St Bartholomew's.

We pray for Amelia, her parents, godparents, family and friends at her baptism today.

- We welcome everyone to worship today; if this is your first time with us, please introduce yourselves to the clergy, wardens or sidespeople
- During the Administration of Holy Communion we keep silence or join with the singing of the communion hymns.
- At communion please come forward following the direction of the sidespeople to the communion rail.
- Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them. Please mention this to the clergy before the service.
- There are large print service and hymn books available if you need them.
- Coffee is served after all the services (except the 8am service)
- There is an induction loop at St. Bartholomew's – please switch hearing aids to the "T" setting

We thank all those from our Young People's Groups and their leaders who'll be leading the worship in our churches today for their contributions this morning and throughout the year.

We pray for:

Those who are ill: Irene Booth, Christopher Davies, Lisa Ginniff, Jenny Harris, Edith Ibbotson, Sandra Isherwood, Patricia James, Ailsa Maddison, Eileen Marsh, Kath Morris, James Wright, Mohammad Ali Zane.

***** Please note:** to comply with data protection laws, if you wish people's name to remain on the pewsheets throughout July, please enter their names on the July lists available in our churches. Thank you. ***

Those who have died recently: Steven Dixon, Wilfred Richard Hunt

And on their anniversaries this week, we remember: William Dootson, Gillian Fisher, Clifford Hilton, Roy Howarth, Edith Hulton, Keith Hulton, James Madden, Leonard Martin, Dorothy Norman, Betsy Partington, Arthur Westby, Ann Richardson, James Thurlington, Ada Unsworth, Robert Whitton.

Today we pray especially for Olivia Howarth who was part of our confirmation group but was unable to attend the confirmation service at St. Bart's. She will be confirmed at St. Catherine's, Horwich today.

This week: -

Wednesday 11th July: Holy Communion 10.00am.

Coming Up in July:

Please take with you a copy of the July Newsletter and Prayer Diary. Just to confuse us all, the newsletter is labelled "June!" The editor was going to sack himself but wouldn't accept his resignation.

Dementia Friends talk: A date has been set for this talk to take place on **Wednesday 18th July. 7.30pm (drinks from 7.15pm) at St John's Church, Wingates.** Steve from Home Instead will be joining us to talk about supporting those with Dementia and supporting those who live with and care for people with Dementia. As churches we can then start to think about how we can help and support those affected. All are welcome to attend.

We pray for those being married at St. Bartholomew's in July:

Lee Wellington Armstrong & Natalie Jane Haslam [21st July 1:30pm]

Ashley Thomas Wall & Laura Elizabeth Mitchell [28th July 12:30pm]



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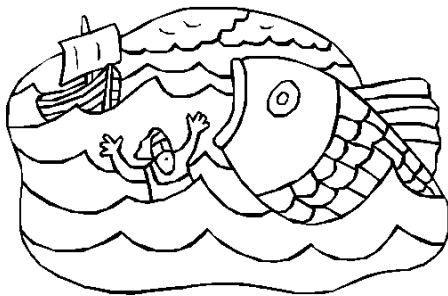
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The Collect:

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading: Jonah 1. 11 - 17

¹¹Then they said to him, 'What shall we do to you, that the sea may quieten down for us?' For the sea was growing more and more tempestuous. ¹²He said to them, 'Pick me up and throw me into the sea; then the sea will quieten down for you; for I know it is because of me that this great storm has come upon you.' ¹³Nevertheless, the men rowed hard to bring the ship back to land, but they could not, for the sea grew more and more stormy against them. ¹⁴Then they cried out to the LORD, 'Please, O LORD, we pray, do not let us perish on account of this man's life. Do not make us guilty of innocent blood; for you, O LORD, have done as it pleased you.' ¹⁵So they picked Jonah up and threw him into the sea; and the sea ceased from its raging. ¹⁶Then the men feared the LORD even more, and they offered a sacrifice to the LORD and made vows. ¹⁷But the LORD provided a large fish to swallow up Jonah; and Jonah was in the belly of the fish for three days and three nights.



Gospel Reading: Mark 6. 45 - 52

⁴⁵Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. ⁴⁶After saying farewell to them, he went up on the mountain to pray. ⁴⁷When evening came, the boat was out on the lake, and he was alone on the land. ⁴⁸When he saw that they were straining at the oars against an adverse wind, he came towards them early in the morning, walking on the lake. He intended to pass them by. ⁴⁹But when they saw him walking on the lake, they thought it was a ghost and cried out; ⁵⁰for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' ⁵¹Then he got into the boat with them and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded,

⁵²for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.



Reading at St. Thomas' Church today: Luke 5:17-26

¹⁷One day, while he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting nearby (they had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem); and the power of the Lord was with him to heal. ¹⁸Just then some men came, carrying a paralyzed man on a bed. They were trying to bring him in and lay him before Jesus; ¹⁹but finding no way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down with his bed through the tiles into the middle of the crowd in front of Jesus. ²⁰When he saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven you." ²¹Then the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, "Who is this who is speaking blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" ²²When Jesus perceived their questionings, he answered them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? ²³Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Stand up and walk?' ²⁴But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the one who was paralyzed—"I say to you, stand up and take your bed and go to your home." ²⁵Immediately he stood up before them, took what he had been lying on, and went to his home, glorifying God. ²⁶Amazement seized all of them, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying, "We have seen strange things today."

Post Communion Prayer:

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Next Sunday's Services: Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Readings: Amos 7. 7-15 / Ephesians 1. 3-14 / Mark 6. 14-29

8.00am	St Thomas'	Holy Communion	Rev. Angela Wynne
9:15am	St Thomas'	Holy Communion	Rev. Angela Wynne
9:15am	St. George	School Leavers Service	Rev. Kirsty Sreeton
11.00am	St Bartholomew	Holy Communion	Rev. Angela Wynne

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