

and feeding on the forgiveness of his healing grace. Therefore I call upon you to affirm your baptismal faith and to renew your commitment to Jesus Christ.

Do you turn to Christ?

I turn to Christ.

Do you repent of your sins?

I repent of my sins.

Do you renounce evil?

I renounce evil.

May God who has given you the desire to follow Christ give you strength to continue in the Way. ***Amen.***

Brothers and sisters, I ask you, together with these celebrating the anniversary of their baptism today, to profess the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist? ***I believe and trust in him.***

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again? ***I believe and trust in him.***

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Almighty God, we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith with all who have been baptized into your name. Keep us faithful to our baptism, and so make us ready for that day when the whole creation shall be made perfect in your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The priest re-lights the candles of those gathered at the font, after which all say

Defend, O Lord, these your servants with your heavenly grace, that they may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy spirit more and more until they come to your everlasting kingdom. Amen.

As Sasha, Jacob and their families return to their places the service continues with the Intercessions.



Sunday 6 July 2008
TRINITY 7

This morning at Weston Longville we welcome our first team of young servers who will be carrying out their duties for the first time; and also SASHA COHU and JACOB STEVENSON who are here to celebrate the anniversaries of their Baptisms.

Collect:

Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of thy name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

New Testament Reading: Romans 7.15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Gospel: Matthew 11.16-19 & 25-30

At that time Jesus said, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another, "We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn." For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they

say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.

I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. or my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'



All daily services this week will be at their usual times.

All this week we pray particularly for those who live and work along **Back Lane** and in **Blackbreck Cottages** in Ringland.

Please continue to pray for the sick & those in need:

Alan Beardsmore; Alic, Anthony & Ben Bowen; Dionne & Scott; Pat Evans; Margot Hannington; Jo & her baby; Pam, Karen & Tony; Shirley Starling; George Williams

Saint this week

Friday Benedict, abbot and religious reformer;
'Father of western monasticism' (died 550)

Events this week

TODAY 1:00 pm Baptism rehearsal at Weston Longville
Wed 7:30 pm Choir rehearsal for wedding and Small Mass
at Swannington
Fri 11:00 am Wedding of SHAUN LEIGH HOUSTON and
REBECCA JANE MORRISON at Swannington

Next Sunday: Trinity 8

8:00 am Holy Communion (1662) at Weston Longville
10:00 am All Age Worship at Ringland led by **Rachel Seabrook**
10:00 am The Eucharist at Swannington



St Margaret's Day

SUNDAY 20TH JULY 2008

Eucharist

10:30 am St Margaret's Church
Morton-on-the-Hill
followed at 12 noon by a

Barbecue

in the grounds of Morton Hall

Tickets for BBQ in advance **£7.50 (children £5)** from
Dot le Grice (880962) Selwyn Tillet (880563) Ann Prince-Smith (880165)
In aid of **All Saints Church, Weston Longville**

Other Services on Sunday 20th July:

8:00 am The Eucharist for St Margaret's Day
(Patronal Festival) at Swannington
9:00 am Holy Communion (1662) for Trinity 9
at Ringland (Revd Charles Hall)
10:00 am Children's service for St Margaret's Day at Swannington
6:00 pm Evensong for St Margaret's Day at Alderford

Congratulations and thanks to all who worked so hard beforehand and on the night to make sure that the **Quiz evening in Ringland** last weekend was a resounding success. As a result we raised about **£150** for funds.

On a less pleasant note a couple of our churches have lost lead off the roof recently; and we discovered a few days ago that something like 350 panments have been stolen from the floor of Little Witchingham church.
Please be vigilant !

After the sermon at Weston Sasha and Jacob and their families will come and stand at the font, with their baptismal candles. Everyone please turn to face them.

God raised Jesus Christ from the dead and sent the Holy Spirit to recall the whole world to himself. In baptism we die to sin and rise to newness of life in Christ. Here we find rebirth in the Spirit, and set our minds on his heavenly gifts. As children of God, we are continually created anew, walking the path of faith