

## Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October:

10:00 am Annual Pets' service at Swannington  
10:15 am **Harvest Thanksgiving Eucharist** at Weston Longville  
12:15 pm Baptism at Alderford  
**NB 6:00 pm Harvest Thanksgiving Evensong at Ringland, followed by Harvest Supper in church.** If you would like to come, please give your name(s) to Selwyn, Elaine or Dian beforehand.

Congratulations and well done to all those who worked so hard beforehand and on the day to make the produce show at Attlebridge a resounding success. A very enjoyable time was had by all who attended, and a splendid **£250** was raised for church funds. Thank you!

**Weston Longville's Harvest Supper** takes place in Weston village hall on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 7:30** for 7:45 pm. Catering once again by Dean of the Fox & Hounds at Lyng; bring your own wine and glasses. Tickets for the meal, **£12:50**, available from Selwyn, Mollie Parkinson (872885) or Dot (880962); please speak to Dot if you have any dietary problems.



Sunday 20 September 2009

**TRINITY 15**

9:00 am Ringland

6:00 pm Alderford

## Collect

God, who of thy generous mercy didst send the Holy Spirit upon thy Church in the burning fire of thy love:  
grant that thy people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, ever abiding in thee,  
they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;  
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.*

## Old Testament Reading: Wisdom 1.16-2.1 & 2.12-22

The ungodly by their words and deeds summoned death;  
considering him a friend, they pined away  
and made a covenant with him,  
because they are fit to belong to his company.  
For they reasoned unsoundly, saying to themselves,  
'Short and sorrowful is our life,  
and there is no remedy when a life comes to its end,  
and no one has been known to return from Hades.

'Let us lie in wait for the righteous man,  
because he is inconvenient to us and opposes our actions;  
he reproaches us for sins against the law,  
and accuses us of sins against our training.  
He professes to have knowledge of God,  
and calls himself a child of the Lord.  
He became to us a reproof of our thoughts;  
the very sight of him is a burden to us,  
because his manner of life is unlike that of others,  
and his ways are strange.  
We are considered by him as something base,

and he avoids our ways as unclean;  
he calls the last end of the righteous happy,  
and boasts that God is his father.  
Let us see if his words are true,  
and let us test what will happen at the end of his life;  
for if the righteous man is God's child, he will help him,  
and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries.  
Let us test him with insult and torture,  
so that we may find out how gentle he is,  
and make trial of his forbearance.  
Let us condemn him to a shameful death,  
for, according to what he says, he will be protected.'

Thus they reasoned, but they were led astray,  
for their wickedness blinded them,  
and they did not know the secret purposes of God,  
nor hoped for the wages of holiness,  
nor discerned the prize for blameless souls.

### **Gospel: Mark 9.30-37**

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'



All weekday services this week will be at their usual times, **except that** Tuesday morning's service at Weston Longville at 9:00 am will be the **Eucharist for St Matthew's Day**.

This week we pray particularly for those who live and work along the **Fakenham Road** in Attlebridge and Lenwade.

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

*Angela Ashworth; Anne Dunn; Sharon; Jo, James & baby Daniel;  
Shirley Nicholson; Cynthia Savory; Val; Enid Warnes; Alex Williams.*

**RIP** Molly Horner

### **Saint this week**

Tue Matthew, apostle and evangelist (first century)

### **Events this week**

Tue	9:00 am	Eucharist for St Matthew's Day at Weston Longville
	6:00 pm	Baptism rehearsal at Ringland
	7:30 pm	Swannington PCC meets at The Old Rectory
Wed	7:30 pm	Benefice Fete committee meets at The Rectory
Fri	7:00 pm	Swannington Community Project meeting in church

### **Next Sunday: Trinity 16**

8:00 am	Holy Communion (1662) at Great Witchingham
9:00 am	Morning Prayer (Common Worship) at Ringland
10:00 am	The Eucharist for "Back to Church Sunday" at Attlebridge
6:00 pm	Evensong at Weston Longville

### **Future Events:**

Mon 28 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 pm	Great Witchingham School governors meet at school
Tue 29 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Eucharist for St Michael & all Angels at Weston Longville
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm	"All Saints Alive!" club leaders meet at The Bridge