

*Events & Services this week*

**Saturday** 3pm Winnall Messy Church – Winnall Primary  
**Sunday** 10am Holy Communion – St John's  
10am Holy Communion – All Saints  
4pm All Saints@4 – All Saints

**Wednesday** 10.30am Midweek Communion followed by coffee

*10.30am-Noon: Saturday Morning Coffee at All Saints' every week*

**Prayers for...**

The sick: Chris Norgate; Margaret James; Charlie Healy  
The departed: June Byatt

**Looking ahead:**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Tea & Cakes – All Saints  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> 10am Meadow Making at St John's  
*Bring strimmer, mower or shears for the annual mow!*  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> 10am Holy Communion – All Saints  
10am Holy Communion – St John's  
4pm All Saints@4  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> 10.30am MacMillan Coffee Morning – All Saints  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> 3pm Light & Dark - St John's  
An afternoon of music in aid of Tree of Life Café

**HARVEST BARN DANCE @ ALL SAINTS – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October**

7.30-10.30pm £15 Adults/£8 Children Ring: 01962 843756/866490

**Readings for next week 15<sup>th</sup> September: Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity**

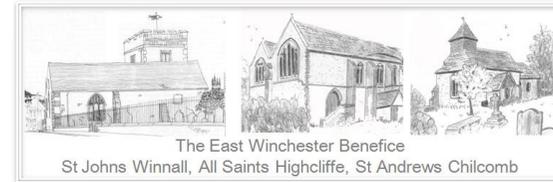
Exodus 32.7-14 | 1 Timothy 1.12-17 | Luke 15.1-10

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**7 September 2019**

**Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple**

**Luke 14:27**

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**Collect**

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **Deuteronomy 30.15-20**

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

### **Philemon 1-21**

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

### **Luke 14.25-33**

Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.'

'Once you dismiss the mystery of each human being made in the divine image; once awe and wonder count for nothing; once our sense of the holy and transcendent is denied, then life becomes cheap and it becomes possible to shatter with a single bullet those most miraculous objects, the human brain and the human heart, with scarcely a second thought. By our daily round of prayer and worship, we stand with those who affirm night and day that God is worthy of our love and praise, and that every living soul, made in God's likeness, is of infinite value in his sight.'

Michael Mayne, Dean of Westminster 1986-96