

Collect.

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul: through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. Amen

A reading from the book of Genesis

(Genesis 15.1-6)

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' The Lord brought Abraham outside and said, 'Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Psalm. 32 – "You are my hiding place, O Lord"**A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.**

(Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16)

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old and Sarah herself was barren because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore, from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.' All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are

seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. (Luke 12.32-40)

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

**Post Communion.**

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things: may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to the clamour and dispute: May the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the token of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; and give glory to you for ever. Amen.

HYMN NUMBERS:

24 - Come thou long expected Jesus
262 - O Lord my God
284 - Bread of heaven
469 - I heard the voice of Jesus say
453 - Great is thy faithfulness

NOTICES...

NEXT SATURDAY!

13th August – 2.00-4.00pm

“BLUES IN THE RECTORY GARDEN”

Tickets £10 each. Children £2 from Sue W –
also on sale at the gate on the day

BOTTLES TO Myra & Fr. Barry before Saturday
please.

MORE SERVERS REQUIRED

We are very short on our Servers Rota. Some of the current servers are choir members and as we don't like to take choir members away from their important role more than is necessary, we really do need more Servers.

Have you been a Server in the past, or would you like to join this team and learn the task?

See Fr. Steve for more information.

Services this Week

Morning and Evening prayer is said weekdays Tues to Fri at

9.00am and 5.30pm & Saturday at 9.00am

(1st Friday of the month 7.00pm Compline & Benediction)

All services at St. Anne's unless otherwise stated

All services also available via Zoom

Tuesday	7.00pm - Said Eucharist
Wednesday	10.00am – Said Eucharist
Thursday	10.00am – Said Eucharist
Friday	7.00pm – Said Eucharist
Saturday	9.30am – Said Eucharist

Services Next Sunday

(Last Sunday in the month 8.00am BCP)

14th August – Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8.00am	Said Eucharist St. Anne's
9.00am	Sung Eucharist Earnley
10.15am	Sung Eucharist St. Anne's
<u>Readings:</u>	Revelation 11: 19- 12: 6,10
	Galatians 4:4-7
	Luke 1:46-55

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The Parishes of Earnley with East Wittering and Almodington

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We welcome all visitors to our churches.
All communicant members of Christ's church are warmly invited to receive the Sacraments. If you do not receive the sacraments then please come forward for God's Blessing.

(All services are at St. Anne's unless indicated)

7th August, 2022

Trinity 8

Before the service and after the second bell, talk to God through quiet prayer and silent devotion, bringing to the Lord those events of your past week, and after the service, then talk to your friends.

If you are a visitor to our church, making a donation in the collection, and you are a taxpayer, the PCC would be very grateful if you could put your donation in one of the envelopes available at the end of the pews, and sign the Gift Aid Declaration on the envelope. In this way, the Church can claim a further 25p for every £1 you give. Thank you.

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO "E.W.P.C.C"

Services today

(Last Sunday in the month 8.00am BCP)

8.00am	Said Eucharist St. Anne's
9.00am	Sung Eucharist Earnley
10.15am	Sung Eucharist St. Anne's

The 8.00am & 10.15am can be accessed via zoom

ZOOM: I.D: 830 9212 3805 P.C. 894790

Intercessions

The sick and those who have asked of our prayers:

Brenda Lawson, Fr. John, Judy Williams,
Jenny Long, Fr. George & Merryl

From our families and friends, we remember

Hazel Allen, Doug Erick, Sheila Evans
June Lester, Helen Osborne, Dawn Bailey,
Johanna Morrish, Jenny Keast, Christine Hankins,
Alan Lewis, Jim Oliver, Sherline Smith,
Canon Peter & Chrys Kefford, Sophie Wright,
Jo Symonds, Mandy Deane, Diane Wheeler,
James Bilham & his family, Peter Cardona, Pat Pond and all those in our local nursing homes & rest homes, the housebound, those who care for them, and all who have been recently bereaved

The Recently Departed

Violet Serne, Kathleen Given, Mary Shirley,
Graeme Martin

Those whose years mind falls at this time

Tom Pettman, Betty Smith, Shelagh Pett, Stanley Stone,
John Norbury, Jim Reeves (Priest), Jean Young