

S⁺Mary's Church Wexham

21 September 2025, Trinity 17



Services today

8am – Holy Communion, (Revd Andrew Parry)
10am – Holy Communion, (Revd Andrew Parry)

Hymns for 10am today:- 227, 296, 124, **S** 19

Services this week

Thursday, 10.30am – Holy Communion for Oak House residents.

Services next week, 28 September

8am – Holy Communion
10am – Holy Communion
10am - Young Church in the hall.
11.30am – Service of Wholeness and Healing

INTERCESSIONS - Our prayers have been asked for Lorna and Charles, Hazel and Elle, Malcolm, Jane, Janine, Julie.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

READINGS

1 Timothy 2: 1-7

A Call to Prayer

¹First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgiving be offered for everyone— ²for kings and all those in authority—so that we may lead tranquil and quiet lives in all godliness and dignity.

³This is good and pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who wants everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

⁵For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave Himself as a ransom for all—the testimony that was given at just the right time.

⁷For this reason I was appointed as a preacher, an apostle, and a faithful and true teacher of the Gentiles. I am telling the truth; I am not lying about anything.

Luke 16: 1-13

The Parable of the Shrewd Manager

¹Jesus told his disciples: “There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions.

²So he called him in and asked him, ‘What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.’

³ “The manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I’m not strong enough to dig, and I’m ashamed to beg— ⁴I know what I’ll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.’

⁵ “So he called in each one of his master’s debtors. He asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’

⁶ “ ‘Nine hundred gallons of olive oil,’ he replied.

“The manager told him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred and fifty.’

⁷ “Then he asked the second, ‘And how much do you owe?’

“ ‘A thousand bushels of wheat,’ he replied.

“He told him, ‘Take your bill and make it eight hundred.’

⁸ “The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light.

⁹I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.

¹⁰ “Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much.

¹¹So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches?

¹²And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else’s property, who will give you property of your own?

¹³ “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord, we pray that your grace
may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

YOUNG CHURCH - Today we will hear the story about The Dishonest Manager using cookies. We will make Honesty coin bags and a Bumble Bee craft.

NOTICES

Monday, 7.30pm for 7.45pm, Bingo - everybody welcome!

Tuesday, 7pm – Deanery Synod meeting in the hall.

COMING NEXT MONTH

Between 10.00 and mid-day on Saturday 4th October is your next opportunity to spend a little time caring for our Churchyard, chatting and sharing tasty refreshments, so do please come if you can. You don't need to be a gardener to join in - there is plenty of variety in what we do.

Something Special Coming up on 5th October,

A refugee's story

Rozhan, then 16 years old, her mother and younger sister escaped from Iran and crossed the channel arriving only with the clothes they were standing in.

SUNDAY 19th OCTOBER

Macmillan Coffee Morning in the hall after 10am service.

If you are not saving your loose change for Brian's kitchen fund please may we have it, to put towards our donation, **thank you.**