

The First Reading

1 Corinthians 2.1-16 p68

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. 2 For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. 3 And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. 4 My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, 5 so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. 6 Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. 7 But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. 8 None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. 9 But, as it is written, 'What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him'— 10 these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. 11 For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. 12 Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. 13 And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. 14 Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are discerned spiritually. 15 Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. 16 'For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?' But we have the mind of Christ.

This week you are invited to pray for:

- Those who live in Wynlass Park
- The couples joining us for Marriage Preparation Day
- Our Deanery Administration Staff

From our Book of Remembrance: This week we remember: Kenneth Regan, Zena Kirkby, Eileen Mainwaring, Margaret Gibbons, Vera Perry, Eric Radcliffe, Arthur Connell and Betty Potter.

Psalm 112

1 Alleluia.

Blessed are those who fear the Lord and have great delight in his commandments.

2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land, a generation of the faithful that will be blest.

3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness endures for ever.

4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; gracious and full of compassion are the righteous.

5 It goes well with those

who are generous in lending and order their affairs with justice,

6 For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be held in everlasting remembrance.

7 They will not be afraid of any evil tidings; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord.

8 Their heart is sustained and will not fear, until they see the downfall of their foes.

9 They have given freely to the poor; their righteousness stands fast for ever; their head will be exalted with honour.

10 The wicked shall see it and be angry; they shall gnash their teeth in despair; the desire of the wicked shall perish.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 5.13-20 p69

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. 'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. 'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS PRAYER GROUP:

Wednesdays- 2.30pm in the Addison Room.
Maldives: A school text book has been withdrawn in the Maldives after complaints that it has a picture of a church in it. A local news website accused the school of being "A gateway to turning Maldivians into Christians." Please pray for increased freedom of religious belief in the Maldives.

FRIENDSHIP LUNCH: Sunday 19th February at 12.45pm. See the sign-up sheet on the notice board in the North Aisle.

REVISION OF ELECTORAL ROLL: -will take place between 5th-26th February.

Do add your name to our Church Electoral Roll Complete a form- available in the North Aisle and return it to the Office. Thank you.

Shrove Tuesday 28th February at 7pm A Puddings Evening at St. Mary`s including an audio-visual presentation of the Vicar (and Margaret`s) recent visit to Nepal. See sign-up sheet in the North Aisle.

Ash Wednesday 1st March (10.00am & 7.00pm) Beginning lent Together in Worship.

LENT QUIET DAY: Will be held on Tuesday 4th April at Brathy Centre, Ambleside. Details to follow

BOOK STALL: A new selection of books is available in the North Aisle.

Praying and Learning Together in Lent: We shall meet on Wednesdays at 11.15am and 7pm throughout Lent to Reflect on "Being Disciples" & reading the recent book of the same name by Archbishop Rowan. See sheet in North Aisle.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT: 27th Feb to 12th March. There will be a Fairtrade Stall in church on Sunday 26th February and 5th March.

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: Please hand your boxes into the Parish Office or contact Fred Parker Tel:015394 88067 who will arrange collection.

This Week:

Enquiries: (Tel: 44596) The Parish Office is open Monday to Wednesday 9.00am-3.30pm
E-Mail: office@stmaryswindermere.co.uk

MORNING PRAYER: This week will be at 8.00am Monday-Thursdays.

A quiet and helpful way to begin the day.

Monday 6th

10.00am A.E. Continuation Italian -Upper Rm
4.30pm Rainbows/Brownies/Guides

Tuesday 7th

10.00am Little Pips
5.30pm Quiet Space

Wednesday 8th

10.00am Holy Communion & Coffee Time
2.30pm Persecuted Christians Prayer Time
7.00pm Refresh - Upper Room

Thursday 9th

9.00am Curate at School Assembly
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7.00pm School Governors Meeting

Saturday 11th

9.45am Marriage Preparation Day

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The Word... ...This Week

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Welcome:

Epiphany 5

8.00am Holy Communion (CW)
9.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
at Jesus Church Troutbeck
11.00am Sunday Celebration

Today's Music:

Introit 204 Let us with a gladsome mind
Gradual 180 Thou whose almighty word
Offertory 207 Praise to the Lord
Communion 375 King of glory king of peace
Recessional 149 Ye servants of God
Organist: John Hiley

If you are a visitor to Windermere or this is the first time you have worshipped with us, do make yourself known to one of the Sidesmen. We hope you will find this worship helpful and enjoyable and that you will join us again. You are warmly invited to join us for Coffee etc. after the 11.00am Service.

Gluten Free Wafers are available - please see Wardens & Sidesmen if this would be helpful.

Our Purpose:

We are here to help everyone to know and grow in the love of God through prayer, worship, teaching and service.

Our Vision:

A thriving, growing Christian community.

Next Sunday: 12th February

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

8.00am Holy Communion (CW)
9.30am Matins (BCP)
at Jesus Church. Troutbeck
11.00am Sunday Celebration