

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS PRAYER

GROUP: Wednesdays- 2.30pm Pray for a group of Christians who have been cut off from their water supply for converting from Buddhism to Christianity. Pray that their persecutors will learn to accept them and that God will give them courage to hold onto their faith and share it with others.

WINSTER, EVENSONG: Our friends at Holy Trinity, Winster have invited us for Evensong, followed by refreshments, on **Sunday 17th September** at 4.00pm. If you require a lift, please see Leonard.

KENDAL BIG BAND CONCERT:

Saturday 30th September 7.30pm
(Doors open at 7pm). Entrance £10 includes refreshments. Pay on the door.

Thank you for supporting the performance of Jane Eyre last Friday evening.

Open Forum is a series of evening discussion meetings on a range of topical issues and open to everyone. The next meeting will be at 7.30 pm on Thursday 21st September at St Mary's Church, Ambleside. The topic will be "The Future of the NHS". Bishop James Newcome (Bishop of Carlisle), Tim Farron MP and Dr David Walker (Medical Director, University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust) There is no need to book and no charge. Please bring guests. Tea and coffee will be available. More info: contact Rev Nick Hallam Tel: 015394 36069 or Nick.Hallam@uwclub.net

PATRONAL FESTIVAL SERVICE: Advance notice that we shall mark our Patronal on Sunday 10th September at 11.00am. Our Guest Preacher will be Archdeacon Vernon. As our Church `Birthday` there will be a chance to make a birthday Gift to St. Mary`s.

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 at 8am Monday-Thursday. A quiet & helpful way to begin the day

Tuesday 22nd August

5.45pm Quiet Space

Wednesday 23rd August

10.00am Holy Communion & Coffee
2.30pm Persecuted Christians Prayer Time

Saturday 26th August

12.00pm Marriage Sarah Carter & Mark Hallett at Jesus Church, Troutbeck

The Word... ...This Week

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Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

8.00am Holy Communion (CW)
9.30am Holy Communion (CW) with Baptism (Bland)
at Jesus Church, Troutbeck
11.00am Sunday Celebration
6.00pm Evensong

Today's Music:

Introit	573	Praise to the Lord
Gradual	375	King of glory, king of peace
Offertory	411	Lord Jesus Christ you have come
Communion	374	Just as I am
Recessional	689	Thy hand O God has guided

Organist: Denis Aldersea

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.

The First Reading

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 p337

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. 2God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the scripture says of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel? 29for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. 30Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, 31so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. 32For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 15:10-28 p337

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, 'Listen and understand: 11it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.' 12Then the disciples approached and said to him, 'Do you know that the Pharisees took offence when they heard what you said?' 13He answered, 'Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. 14Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.' 15But Peter said to him, 'Explain this parable to us.' 16Then he said, 'Are you also still without understanding? 17Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? 18But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. 19For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. 20These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.' 21 Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. 22Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on

me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' 23But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' 24He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' 25But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' 26He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' 27She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' 28Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

Next Sunday: 27th August

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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

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This week you are invited to pray for:

- Those who live in Thornbarrow Road
- Sarah & Mark who are getting married on Saturday
- Police & Community Support Officers in our area.

From our Book of Remembrance:

This week we remember: Margaret Dobson, Thomas Bradley, Archibald Kitching, Phyllis Cooper, Eliza Myers, Christopher Blezard, Edna Sarginson, Stephen Swidenbank, Edith Bowness, Arthur Jones, Margaret Richardson and Cyril Park.