

The Finborough and Combs News Sheet

Combs with Gt and Lt Finborough, Buxhall, Onehouse, Harleston and Shelland

WELCOME as we keep in touch,
pray and support each other



5th July 2020 4th Sunday of Trinity and

Messy Church (linking to Rural Mission Sunday 19th July
Paul and Lydia *Acts 16:12-17*)



As a result of COVID 19 our full Services are suspended – but not our faith, common life, care for each other and our world. **Church Continues** with our parish Zooms which are open to all. Please pass them on to others. Please make contact if you know of anyone in difficulty either materially emotionally or spiritually. We are seeing a wonderful outpouring of support and organisation.

I hope many of you will join in the Zoom service of **Holy Communion at 10am**. If you have not received the link please let me know as soon as possible. It is possible to phone in as well. You might like to light a candle. Following Orthodox tradition, you may wish to join us with a piece of bread as the '**Bread of Fellowship**' given to those in their churches who do not receive the Sacrament.

Churches Open Saturday 10-12 and Tuesday 2-4 St Andrews Gt Finborough
Sunday and Wednesdays 2.30-4.30pm St Mary's Combs

Public Worship

I am working with Pauline and the Churchwardens on reopening all our churches

Youth and Children Ministry continues on line, music and activities are available

Morning Prayer on Zoom – Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10am..

Bible Study on Zoom 4pm on Wednesdays – lead by Canon Pauline
Evening Reflective Service on U Tube periodically – lead by Rev Alison and Andy Little
Details of Zoom/U Tube links are sent to all for whom I have e mails

Collect for today

Gracious Father
by the obedience of Jesus
you brought salvation to our wayward world:
draw us into harmony with your will,
that we may find all things restored in him,
our Saviour Jesus Christ **Amen**



Readings

Old Testament Reading Genesis 24.34-38,42-49,58-67

34 So he said, 'I am Abraham's servant. ³⁵The LORD has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. ³⁶And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. ³⁷My master made me swear, saying, "You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; ³⁸but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son."

42 'I came today to the spring, and said, "O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! ⁴³I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, 'Please give me a little water from your jar to drink,' ⁴⁴and who will say to me, 'Drink, and I will draw for your camels also'—let her be the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my master's son."

45 'Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water-jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, "Please let me drink." ⁴⁶She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, "Drink, and I will also water your camels." So I drank, and she also watered the camels. ⁴⁷Then I asked her, "Whose daughter are you?" She said, "The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him." So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. ⁴⁸Then I bowed my head and worshipped the LORD, and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. ⁴⁹Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left.' ⁵⁸And they called Rebekah, and said to her, 'Will you go with this man?' She said, 'I will.' ⁵⁹So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. ⁶⁰And they blessed Rebekah and said to her,

'May you, our sister, become
thousands of myriads;
may your offspring gain possession
of the gates of their foes.'

⁶¹Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

62 Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. ⁶³Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. ⁶⁴And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, ⁶⁵and said to the servant, 'Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?' The servant said, 'It is my master.' So she took her veil and covered herself. ⁶⁶And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. ⁶⁷Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks Be to God**

Holy Gospel Matthew 11.16-19,25-30 **Glory to You, O Lord**

16 'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another,

17 "We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn."

18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.*

25 At that time Jesus said, 'I thank* you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.* ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

28 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ**

Intercessions

Our loving God is here, attentive to his children.
Let us pray to him now.



Father, we pray that your church
may always be open to receive your love;
keep us swept clear of pomposity, complacency or self righteousness;
let us come humbly and simply into your presence
and wait on you, knowing our dependence on you,
and rejoicing in it. (*silence*)

As you have called us: **Lord, we come to you**

Father, we pray for all world leaders and their governments;
for the strength of authority
comes not through force and domination
but through co operation and mutual respect;
we pray for greater consideration
of the needs of one another and of our planet,
and a desire to right past wrongs and injustices. (*silence*)

As you have called us: **Lord, we come to you**

Father, we pray for a greater maturity
in our thinking and loving that enables us to be childlike;
we pray for healing from the damage that prevents us from growing up;
we pray that our children in this church
may be helped to grow strong,
and we thank you for all we learn from them (*silence*)

As you have called us: **Lord, we come to you**

Father we pray for all who cry out for rest and relief,
For all who are carrying terrible burdens
That weight them down,
All whose poverty denies them the chance of healing,
And all whose wealth denies them
The chance of knowing their need of you. (*silence*)

As you have called us: **Lord, we come to you**

Father, we pray for those who die unprepared to meet you,
and for all who have died recently, both those well-known to us
and those dying unknown and unnoticed all over the world (*silence*)

As you have called us: **Lord, we come to you**

Father, we thank you for your gentleness and humility,
which puts our pride and vanity to shame,
teach us to trust more and more in your truth, discarding what the world considers essential
and rejoicing in your freedom. (*silence*)

As you have called us: **Lord, we come to you**

Merciful father. Accept these prayers
For the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ Amen



Your donations are very gladly received at this time of considerable need either by being left at the Supermarket in the box provided or in the Box outside the Food Bank in the Community Centre Hillside Stowmarket between 9 and 1 each weekday. **Monetary donations may be made through kindlink which can be reached by their website: www.livingit.org.uk and Foodbank area! There is a red donate button.**



URGENT NEEDS THIS WEEK are non specific. THANK YOU.

Rural Mission Sunday 19th July

Heaven in the Ordinary

We welcome

**Ven Sally Gaze Archdeacon of Rural Mission
as our preacher**

We would like to show pictures of actual Rural Mission during the Communion that day.
Please e mail me with your pictures or ideas.



Please remember the families and loved ones of those recently died and whose funerals are soon

Hilda Stockings Little Finborough aged 95
May she Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory

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<https://www.cofesuffolk.org/safeguarding>
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