

## From the Diocesan prayer diary:

### A space for early learning warmed by the sun

More space was needed at St Michael's CofE Primary in Aylsham so, in a project driven by the Diocese of Norwich, a new nursery has been constructed for Acorn Class. These 3 to 4-year-olds now have a beautifully light, safe, calm yet exciting space in which to explore and play, a space which encourages creativity and curiosity and stimulates new challenges and teachable moments. It also opens onto an activity area with climbing wall, slide, ropes and a grassy bank to roll down!

Crucially, the new building is powered by solar panels and air source heat pumps so as to have minimal environmental impact, a wonderful teaching point from which children throughout the school can learn. As 9-year-old Toby, a member of the school's Eco-Committee, has said, "It is really important we are taking energy from the sun to keep us warm in the winter, because it won't cause pollution."

*Creator God, we pray for the flourishing of those who learn and teach within the walls of the new nursery at St Michael's. May the care taken over its design and construction inspire others to listen to the voice of your creation in all their own planning and decision-making. Amen*

### Praying this week for:

- St Margaret's Paston and surrounding community

### Members of our worshipping community:

- Angela Smith (Mundesley)
- Betty Smith (Trunch)
- Ray Smith (Trunch)
- John Spencer (Trunch)
- Rosie Spencer (Trunch)
- Mario Stango (Café church)
- Eileen Stannard (Knapton)

### For healing and wholeness of mind, body or spirit:

- Christian Rondel (Mundesley)
- Julia Love (Knapton)
- Eileen Stannard (Knapton)
- Lyn & Mike Skippen (Trunch)
- Rita Burgess (Mundesley)
- Alan Verney (Mundesley)
- Julia Watts (Trunch)
- Kathryn & Gerald Clarke (Trunch)
- Liz Belcourt-Paffet (Mundesley)

### For the family and friends of:

- Margaret Fennell (Mundesley)
- Thomas Loose (Trunch)
- Frances Seymour (Mundesley)
- Paul Taylor (Trunch)
- Dennis Scammell (Trunch)
- Audrey Rust (Trunch)
- Avril Verney (Mundesley)
- David Cargill (Gimingham)

## THE TRUNCH GROUP OF PARISHES

Serving the communities of Bradfield, Gimingham, Knapton, Mundesley, Paston, Swafield & Trunch

5<sup>th</sup> February 2023

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent

God's abundance and generosity

### Services Today

10.00am Holy Communion, Mundesley church  
11.00am Café Church, Mundesley community rooms

### Monday 6<sup>th</sup>

*Rev Joanna and Rev Jenny rest day*

### Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>

9.00am Morning Prayer, Trunch church  
10.30am Home Group (Inger's 07710537569)  
12 noon Soup & Pud, £5, Mundesley community rooms  
3.30pm WarmSpace, Mundesley community rooms,  
- 5.30pm all welcome, hot meal at 4.45pm  
7.30pm APCMs & PCC meetings - refresher on law  
and practice (Zoom) Details from Rev Joanna

### Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>

9.00am Morning Prayer, Mundesley community rooms  
10.00am Holy Communion, Mundesley community rooms

### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>

*Rev Joanna Curate Training*

### Friday 10<sup>th</sup>

8.00am Morning Prayer, Mundesley church  
8.30am Community Café and Larder, Mundesley  
- 10.30am community rooms

### Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>

*Rev Joanna additional monthly day off*

### Next Sunday

12<sup>th</sup> February 2023

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent

10.00am Holy Communion, Trunch church  
No café church – beginning of half term

### Readings:

Isaiah 58:1-12, 1 Corinthians 2.1-12, Mark 12.38-44

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### Upcoming Events

#### Lent begins on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

Lent courses and services are being finalised, and will be publicised soon along with suggested books as we deepen our discipleship and prepare for Easter.

**World Day of Prayer** : 2pm, Friday 3rd March 2023  
at the Free Church, High Street, Mundesley  
an annual ecumenical service for our communities

## Collect

God of grace, ever creating and restoring,  
you breathe life into all things  
and embrace us with an everlasting love;  
help us to grow in wonder and awe,  
to embody a spirit of gratitude,  
and to dream generous dreams;  
that, in gathering what we have,  
we may graciously offer ourselves  
to accomplish what you will,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## 1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Isaiah 58:1-12

Shout out, do not hold back!  
Lift up your voice like a trumpet!  
Announce to my people their rebellion,  
to the house of Jacob their sins.  
Yet day after day they seek me  
and delight to know my ways,  
as if they were a nation that practised righteousness  
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;  
they ask of me righteous judgements,  
they delight to draw near to God.  
'Why do we fast, but you do not see?  
Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?'  
Look, you serve your own interest on your fast-day,  
and oppress all your workers.  
Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight  
and to strike with a wicked fist.  
Such fasting as you do today  
will not make your voice heard on high.  
Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself?  
Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,  
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?  
Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord?  
Is not this the fast that I choose:  
to loose the bonds of injustice,  
to undo the thongs of the yoke,  
to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?  
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,  
and bring the homeless poor into your house;  
when you see the naked, to cover them,  
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?  
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,  
and your healing shall spring up quickly;  
your vindicator shall go before you,  
the glory of the Lord shall be your rearguard.  
Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;  
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.  
If you remove the yoke from among you,  
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,  
if you offer your food to the hungry  
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
and your gloom be like the noonday.  
The Lord will guide you continually,  
and satisfy your needs in parched places,  
and make your bones strong;  
and you shall be like a watered garden,  
like a spring of water,  
whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
the restorer of streets to live in.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – 1 Corinthians 2.1-12

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come  
proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or  
wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except  
Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in  
weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech  
and my proclamation were not with plausible words of  
wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of  
power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom  
but on the power of God.  
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. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and  
hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our  
glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if  
they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of  
glory. 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'—  
these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for  
the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. 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. 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.

## Gospel – Mark 12.38-44

As Jesus taught, he said, 'Beware of the scribes, who like to  
walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in  
the market-places, and to have the best seats in the  
synagogues and places of honour at banquets! They devour  
widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long  
prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.'

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd  
putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in  
large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small  
copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his  
disciples and said to them, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow  
has put in more than all those who are contributing to the  
treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their  
abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything  
she had, all she had to live on.'

## Post Communion prayer

Merciful Father,  
who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life,  
that those who come to him should never hunger:  
draw us to the Lord in faith and love,  
that we may eat and drink with him  
at his table in the kingdom,  
where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen