

MELLOR PARISH CHURCH

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Vicar's letter

Enid writes -

The day I was asked to write for the UB magazines, I'd been preaching on St. Luke's story of the Widow of Nain, and Jesus' raising of her son. It had reminded me of the time when there were teenagers in my family, and the inspiration I used to find in the story of St. Monica!

St. Monica, celebrated on 27th August, was the mother of St. Augustine of Hippo, celebrated the day after on 28th. (This is not Augustine of Canterbury, but the major theologian who - whether we now disagree with much that he wrote or not! - had an immense influence on the western Church.) But 27th & 28th? Is the calendar reflecting what they say - that behind every good man is a better woman!?!)

Monica was born into a Christian family in what is now Algeria in 332AD, but she married a pagan who was a violent and unfaithful drunk. On top of that, her disagreeable mother-in-law lived with them! However, by patient persistence, she won them both over to Christianity. It was Augustine, the eldest of her three sons, who caused her the most pain, rejecting her faith and enjoying an immoral lifestyle.

Monica's priest advised her to avoid conflict and argument, and to rely solely on praying for him. He said, *It is not possible that the son of so many tears should be lost.*

In 383AD, Augustine left secretly for Italy, but the widowed Monica followed him and became a disciple of St. Ambrose. Three years later, Augustine was, at last, converted and baptised. In his autobiographical book *Confessions*, he firmly attributed this to his mother's example and prayerfulness. Comparing his conversion to Jesus' raising of the widow's son, he wrote *She never let me out of her prayers, that you, O God, might say to the widow's son, 'Young man, I say to you, arise!'* For this reason, this Gospel story is read on her feast-day.

Remember St. Monica, and keep on praying for the people you worry about.

Rev'd Enid Briggs

Calendar for July

July	3	Trinity 6
	10.30	Parish Communion Canon John Hartley
	6.30	Evensong Rev'd Christine Ritson
July	5	
	9.30	Holy Communion Rev'd David Kennedy
July	10	Trinity 7
	10.30	Parish Communion Canon John Hartley
	6.30	Evensong Mrs Linda Leadbeater
July	12	
	9.30	Holy Communion Doctor John Darch
July	12	Mothers' Union Outing
July	17	Trinity 8
	10.30	Parish Communion All Age Worship Rev'd Enid Briggs
	6.30	Evensong Rev'd Roland Nicholson
July	19	
	9.30	Holy Communion Rev'd Gill Dyer
July	24	Trinity 9
	10.30	Parish Communion

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	6.30	Evensong	Rev'd Roland Nicholson
July	26		
	9.30	Holy Communion	Canon John Hartley
July	31		Trinity 10
	10.30	United Benefice Parish Communion	Canon John Hartley
	6.30	Healing Service	Rev'd Enid Briggs & Rev'd Gill Dyer

Calendar for August

August	2		9.30 Holy Communion Rev'd Roland Nicholson
August	7		Trinity 11
		10.30	Parish Communion Rev'd Enid Briggs
		6.30	Evensong Rev'd Christine Ritson
August	9		
		9.30	Holy Communion Rev'd Gary Hunt
August	9		
		7.30pm	Mothers' Union
August	14		Trinity 12
		10.30	Parish Communion Rev'd Roland Nicholson
		6.30	Evensong Rev'd Christine Ritson
August	16		
		9.30	Holy Communion Rev'd Enid Briggs
August	21		Trinity 13
		10.30	Parish Communion Canon John Hartley
		6.30	Evensong Rev'd Christine Ritson
August	23		
		9.30	Holy Communion Rev'd David Kennedy
August	28		Trinity 14
		10.30	Parish Communion Canon John Hartley
		6.30	Evensong Rev'd Enid Briggs
August	30		
		9.30	Holy Communion

Church Rotas July

Sidespersons

		<u>Morning</u>		<u>Evening</u>
July	3	J Moss	P Webster	G Calvert
July	10	G Tipper	S Woodward	S Nelson
July	17	N Walsh	I Moss	S Brown
July	24	A Smith	P Cowell	N Hogg
July	31	J Moss	P Webster	S Nelson

Assistant Wardens

July	3	Rita Gorman	Debbie Summersgill
July	10	Derek Haworth	Dorothy Walsh
July	17	Barbara Lucas	Karen Walsh
July	24	Lorna Shaw	Graham Tipper
July	31	Geoff Gill	Marilyn Watson

Chalice Servers

July	3	Rita Gorman	Geoff Gill	<u>Intercessor</u>	Graham Tipper
July	10	Eileen Peake	Linda Livesey		Frank Ashton
July	17	Graham Tipper	Rita Gorman		Debbie Chadwick
July	24	Linda Livesey	Graham Tipper		Geoff Gill
July	31	Geoff Gill	Eileen Peake		Graham Tipper

Flowers

		<u>Given by</u>	<u>Arranged by</u>
July	3	Sue Nelson	Helen Holroyd & Helen Cooper
July	10	Mr & Mrs Croasdale	Debbie Summersgill & Lorna Bowes
July	17		Joan Moss
July	24	Di Ibbotson	Di Ibbotson
July	31	Mary Hill	Ann Minoprio

Church Cleaning

Week Commencing

July	4	Vicky Dewhurst, Jane Greenough & Katie Rolston
July	11	Di Ibbotson, Sue Ellison & Anne Kirkpatrick
July	18	Pamela Jackson, Christine Redwood & Susan Cousins
July	25	Jean Freeman, Sheila Turner & Berenice McKeown

Church Rotas August

Sidespersons

		<u>Morning</u>		<u>Evening</u>
August	7	S Nelson	F Thompson	G Calvert
August	14	G Calvert	G Tipper	N Walsh
August	21	S Brown	S Woodward	S Nelson
August	28	A Smith	I Moss	N Hogg

Assistant Wardens

August 7	Derek Haworth	Dorothy Walsh
August 14	Rita Gorman	Mark Smith
August 21	Debbie Chadwick	Debbie Summersgill
August 28	Lorna Shaw	Graham Tipper

Chalice Servers

August 7	Graham Tipper	Rita Gorman
August 14	Geoff Gill	Linda Livesey
August 21	Eileen Peake	Graham Tipper
August 28	Linda Livesey	Rita Gorman

Intercessor

Linda Livesey
Graham Tipper
Debbie Chadwick
Frank Ashton

Flowers

	Given by	Arranged by
Aug 7	Elisabeth Eccles	Elisabeth Eccles
Aug 14		Joan Moss
Aug 21	Mr & Mrs Gill	All arrangers
Aug 28	Arthur Sharp	Debbie Summersgill & Lorna Bowes

Church Cleaning

Week Commencing

Aug 1	Rita Gorman, Betty Green & Peter Cowell
Aug 8	Linda Cawtherly, Margaret Eccleston & Frances Thompson
Aug 15	Sue Nelson & Amanda Calvert
Aug 22	Eileen Peake & Wendy Eatough
Aug 29	Joan Moss & Ann Minoprio

Mellor St. Mary C. E. Primary School News

Mellor School Reunion

Further plans have now been made for the first weekend in July.

Friday 1st July Sports Day from 1:30pm – 5pm

Individual races followed by Parents v. Children games on the field

School will be open to look at displays of photographs, DVDs, art work and memorabilia in each room. Past pupils and families are warmly invited to attend.

Afternoon teas will be served by FOSMS.

Saturday 2nd July Music Festival on the school field starting and continuing into the evening (if wet, under marquee) to involve pupils, parents and the wider community. Past and present pupils and families are warmly invited to attend. Please bring picnic chairs and rugs.

At 3pm on this day, the music and dancing will pause for around half an hour to allow photographs to be taken of past pupils and present pupils with their families. School will again be open to look at displays of photographs, DVDs, art work and memorabilia in each room. Barbecue food and drinks will be served. There will be a FOSMS raffle and games.

Sunday 3rd July Family Communion Service at 10:30am.
All the pupils are invited to attend to sit in church with their families.

The end of the school year means changes for many pupils and members of staff. The twenty new pupils who are starting school in September will attend school on the three Tuesday mornings at the end of June and beginning of July. At the same time, the Year 6 pupils will all be visiting their high schools for induction days and evenings.

The pupils have been competing in many musical and sporting events during the summer term. Congratulations to the school recorder group and the choir who participated in Blackburn Music Festival at St Peter's Church in Salesbury. The recorder group won first prize in their section playing "Carriage and Pair" and "In Dulce Jubilo". The choir were awarded first place in the Primary school section singing "Gonna Sing The Song" and "O Rushing Wind" and third place in the 12 and under section singing "One World" and "Shoes" and so were awarded the top choir overall. In addition to this, the choir achieved third place in the Sacred Song section singing "A Place at the Table" and "Jesus, kind above all other". Mrs Baldwin also received a trophy for accompanying the choir with the highest marks. Staff and parents were extremely proud of all the children. Well done to Mrs McGurty and all the pupils.

Congratulations to the Girls' and Boys' cricket teams who competed so well in tournaments in Clitheroe with Sophie Walker and Harris Holden being the most improved all round cricketers and William O'Callaghan scoring the most runs.

Congratulations also to the cross-country teams who ran in Clitheroe. Rory Teare won first place in the boys' race with Oliver Walker coming in a very close third place. The girls' team achieved first place and the boys' team were winners of their event so therefore the team were the winners of the overall competition and we received three new trophies to celebrate this event. We are looking forward to dodgeball, golf, triathlon and hockey tournaments later in the term.

Parishioners are welcome to attend the Leavers' Service on Friday, 22nd July at 2:00pm in the school hall.

Christine Taylor

Headteacher

Pam's Paper Blog

I wonder if you've been interested, as I have, in the news stories surrounding the demise of BHS. That sad mixture of under investment with its seasoning of asset stripping that seems depressingly familiar. There is the media image of bosses sipping champagne whilst waiting for their second yacht to be completed set against the jobs lost and the pension pot that has been impoverished. It all seems to inflame my working class roots and has me reaching for my red braces.

Whichever way you look at it, it is morally indefensible for one family to have so much whilst other people's whole lives are put in jeopardy. I find myself speculating about how these people justify their wealth. How is it they can live with themselves? That is; until I remember I live in one of the richest countries of the world. That I find myself hard pressed to give up my luxury for the benefit of others who live in places that are so much poorer than we are.

In Matthew Jesus says: "You cannot be a slave of two masters; you will hate one and love the other; you'll be loyal to one and despise the other; you cannot serve both God and money." (Mat 6:24)

Jesus gives us good advice because greed is a voracious master to be slave to. However much you have there is always someone else with more. I'm quite certain that it is a 'slavery to greed' which drives the thinking that strips a workforce of its assets with little thought to the consequences; simply because you can and more is still not enough.

So what is enough? Well for us here in the West it's going to be a lot more than for someone whose ideas of luxury are a village toilet. Jesus tells us that enough is the clothes we have on our backs and our food for today. But I can't see any of us living that sparingly!

Like most things in our spiritual life we find ourselves living with tension between two extremes. We try to keep a balance between our own greed and our generosity. But if we're honest our own 'slavery to greed' motivates a lot of our spending and as a consequence our generosity gets side-lined. We justify it by looking at the actions of others.

Perhaps it is well worth remembering 'that we can't take it with us'; as that well-worn phrase goes. But also when we do go to heaven we may want some treasure there; treasure that is made up of our generosity both in actions and finances from our lives now. We don't want to find ourselves bankrupt in heaven for eternity!

These sorry stories in the news should prompt us to have a spiritual health check of our own. Where on that line of tension between greed and generosity do we place ourselves? You don't have to explain it to a mortal soul but you will have to justify it to God.

Pam Daunton

From The Registers

	Communicants	Collections
May 22	54	442.99
29	44	406.00
June 5	57	498.00
12	72	652.21
19	160	673.62

Baptism

We welcome into the Lord's family

Rocco Elijah Yates

Lilly Emelia Jefferson

Harry Thomas Jefferson

Funeral

We commend to God's care

Eve Jones
Bernadette Philomena Lowe

United Benefice Joint Services

It has been agreed that whenever there are 5 Sundays in a calendar month the three churches in the benefice will have a joint service in the morning starting at 10.45am.

This will take effect from Sunday 31 July 2016.

Please make a note in your diaries that the first three United Benefice Services will be:-

Sunday 31 July 2016	10.45am St Mary's Mellor
Sunday 30 October 2016	10.45am St Leonard's Samlesbury
Sunday 29 January 2017	10.45am St Leonard's Balderstone

VISION YOUTH GROUP

This month we meet on Saturday 23rd July for a BBQ and a bit of a summer party. Hopefully the weather will be good so we can do some outside games, so prepare to get wet, gunged or worse. 7.30 – 9.30pm. meet at school field.

RECYCLED CARDS

We recently spent an industrious 'crafty' morning in Wilpshire Methodist Church Hall with eleven children from Chernobyl. This year we were glad of the help of Betty who joined us as we supervised the use of glue, cards, stickers, beads, scissors, felt tips and feathers in the various activities.

As the children were spending the afternoon at Ribchester Play Park we were happy to donate £25 from 'Card Sales' so they could all buy an ice cream.

Just before we left, the children sang 'This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.' in English then in Russian – a fitting ending to a lovely morning.

Thank you from "The Card Ladies"

"A Very Happy July/August Birthday"

July/August birthdays from the Baptism,
Sunday School and Youth Fellowship registers are:

July

3rd	Morgan Cooper	19th	Thomas Greenough
4th	Elliott Shaw	19th	Aimee Turton
4th	Jay Shaw	23rd	Dexter Walker
5th	Ellie Eatough	25th	Jessica Rackley
6th	Henry Holden	26th	Isabelle Guilfoyle
6th	Rufus Calvey	27th	Ewan Barker

8th	Archie Evans	28th	Alex Dewhurst
10th	Peter Mellodey	28th	Ethan Dewhurst
11th	Maisie-Louisa Parkin	28th	Hugo Calvey
15th	Joseph Bridge	29th	Eve Brown
19th	Richard Walmsley	31st	Imogen Brown

August

2nd	Matteo Salvato	20th	Evie Barker
3rd	Eleanor Jessop	22nd	Millie Waddicor
5th	Orla Heaney	23rd	Poppy Goldsworth
8th	Harry Bridge	23rd	Thomas Varey
9th	Fergus Moss	24th	Theo Foster
9th	Logan Houldsworth	26th	Leighton Smith
10th	Emma Gilbert	27th	William Eatough
10th	William Redwood	28th	Charlie Joyce
12th	Arabella Redwood	30th	Ben Holtom
18th	Tom Wilson		

Do you have a Special Birthday coming up?
 Would you like us to mention it in the Church magazine?
 Please let us know.

9th Annual BBQ – Friday, 24th June 2016

As with the Rose Queen Festival, the good old British weather played its part in the annual BBQ. However, this did not deter the slick organising team, and Alan and Maureen Bell, who again offered their beautiful house and gardens for the event. After heavy rain, the erected gazebos were left redundant on the wet lawns, but Alan and Maureen were happy for 100+ people to use their house and outside terrace. The sun began to shine in the evening and there was a lovely, fun atmosphere about the whole event and everyone enjoyed the food, drink and fellowship of the extended Church family.

Grateful thanks to everyone involved and long may the summer BBQ continue!

Sue Gill

- and a huge '**THANK YOU**' from the Social & Fund Raising Committee to everyone who helped in any way to make the BBQ a success. We couldn't do it without you!

Samlesbury Notes

Following the United Benefice Service held at St Mary's Church, Mellor on 31st July there will be a walk from Walton le Dale Church to Cuedale' - anyone interested should meet at 2.00pm outside the church.

Open Church

Samlesbury St Leonard's the Less Church will be open each Sunday from 24th July to 4th September between 2:00 and 3:30pm for visitors to pop in and enjoy the peacefulness of the church. Friends old and new, from near and far are most welcome.

National Heritage Open Week

St Leonard's Church will be open on Saturday 10th Sept between 11:00 - 4:00. when light refreshments will be available.

Joanne Eastham

-looking ahead -

BIG BAND NIGHT at the Canberra Club

Saturday, 19th November

-don't forget to keep this date free-

The 'Little Angel' Group

We enjoyed some lovely meetings during the year – thank you to all who bring their children to church for a time of fun together and to Hilda and Gillian for their support with refreshments.

The next time we meet will be at the end of September so in the meantime we wish you all a happy, safe, sunny summer.

Rita and Margaret

Sunday School News

Lessons

- 3rd July – in church for Reunion weekend
- 10th July – in school
- 17th July – AAW + picnic

Holidays Begin

17th July –AAW + Church picnic- everyone invited.

Please bring along your picnics to AAW and afterwards we will come down to school and enjoy lunch together. There will be tea/coffee served, cake, sweets stall, and games to play on the field. And if I know Rose Queen Lucy I am certain she has some fun planned to raise money for her charity. Perhaps you could then visit the village hall and follow the Scarecrow trail – what a great way to spend a summer Sunday.

Have a happy summer holidays, we look forward to hearing all about them in September. - from all the teachers. x

Mellor Scarecrow Weekend **Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th July**

Refreshments will be available throughout the weekend, on Saturday there will be a BBQ, Bar, Café and Attractions and during Sunday afternoon the Mellor Brook Ukulele Group will be present at the Prize Giving Ceremony at the Village Hall.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU - from LUCY

We have so, so many people to thank for helping to make Rose Queen and the party such a great success, despite the terrible weather. It was an incredible united benefice and churches together day, with everyone contributing. Wonderful!

We may have missed the walk but the band sounded fantastic playing in church.

Everyone came to support the party and although we were soaked to the skin a great time was had by all. The following people helped to make the event such fun and we thank them for their help – Mellor village hall MCA, the pop up café, Traders Arms, Littlers butchers and Jimmy Robinson.

As so many of our activities couldn't go ahead because of the rain, we wondered if we would actually break even. But all you hardy folk who came along helped us to raise £190 which will go to The Seashell Trust a charity for youngsters who has Her Majesty the Queen as patron.

Mothers' Union

As Her Majesty the Queen is a member of the Mothers' Union, the meeting in June was made special by many members wearing red, white and blue. Our hymns and prayers helped us to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday.

We meet in July on Tuesday, 14th for our Summer Outing. The coach will leave from outside Church at 6.00pm for Ribchester St Wilfred's Church, a walk through the village and dinner at the Ribchester Arms and we hope to be back in Mellor for 10.00pm.

If you do not wish to walk or if the weather is not suitable the coach will take us from the church to the Ribchester Arms where we have a choice of menu. The cost is £20 for the evening. Please let Pam Jackson have your choice of meal and money.

We offer our love and sympathy to Lynn Jones on the death of her husband, Malcolm.

Margaret Ashton

Christian Aid

The total amount collected in Mellor during May was £700.80.

Thank you to all who helped.

Liz Skupski

Readers for July

July	3	Trinity 6	
	10.30	M Baldwin C Taylor Celebrant	Habakkuk 2: 1-4 Ephesians 2: 19-end John 20: 24-29
	6.30	S Dobson S Brindle	Job 42: 1-6 1 Peter 1: 3-12
July	10	Trinity 7	
	10.30	A Smith D Summersgill Celebrant	Deuteronomy 30: 9-14 Colossians 1: 1-14 Luke 10: 25-37
	6.30	S Nelson M Riley	Genesis 32: 9-30 Mark 7: 1-23

July 17	Trinity 8		
	10.30	All Age Worship	Genesis 18: 1-10a Colossians 1: 15-28 Luke 10: 38-end
		Celebrant	
	6.30	S Brown M Watson	Genesis 41: 1-16, 25-37 1 Corinthians 4: 8-13
July 24	Trinity 9		
	10.30	W Shaw S Gill Celebrant	Genesis 18: 20-32 Colossians 2: 6-15 Luke 11: 1-13
	6.30	N Hogg M Riley	Genesis 18: 20-32 Luke 11: 1-13
July 31	Trinity 10		
	10.30	C Jackson N Buckley Celebrant	Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12-14 & 2: 18-23 Colossians 3: 1-11 Luke 12: 13-21

Saturday Cafe at Mellor Village Hall

Every first Saturday in the month from 10am to 2pm

Hot and cold drinks, bacon sandwiches, soup,

homemade cakes to eat in or take out.

Readers for August

August 7	Trinity 11		
	10.30	P Jackson C Redwood Celebrant	Genesis 15: 1-6 Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16 Luke 12: 32-40
	6.30	S Brindle M Watson	Isaiah 11: 10-end of 12: 2 Corinthians 1: 1-22
August 14	Trinity 12		
	10.30	A Smith S Gill Celebrant	Jeremiah 23: 23-29 Hebrews 11: 29 – 12: 2 Luke 12: 49-56
	6.30	N Walsh R Gorman	Isaiah 28: 9-22 2 Corinthians 8: 1-9
August 21	Trinity 13		
	10.30	Sunday School Celebrant	Isaiah 58: 9b-end Hebrews 12: 18-end Luke 13: 10-17
	6.30	S Nelson S Dobson	Isaiah 30: 8-21 2 Corinthians 9

August 28

10.30

Trinity 14

W Shaw
R Jones
Celebrant

Proverbs 25: 6-7
Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16
Luke 14: 7-14

6.30

N Hogg
M Riley

Proverbs 25: 6-7
Luke 14: 7-14
