

The Parish of Bledlow with Saunderton & Horsenden

19th Sunday after Trinity - 22nd October 2017

First Reading (NRSV)

Exodus 33: 12-end

Moses said to the Lord, 'See, you have said to me, "Bring up this people"; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, "I know you by name, and you have also found favour in my sight." Now if I have found favour in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favour in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.' He said, 'My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.' And he said to him, 'If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favour in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.'

The Lord said to Moses, 'I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favour in my sight, and I know you by name.' Moses said, 'Show me your glory, I pray.' And he said, 'I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, "The Lord"; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But', he said, 'you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.' And the Lord continued, 'See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.'

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Second Reading (NRSV)

Matthew 22: 15-22

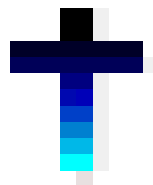
Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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The Collect

19th Sunday after Trinity (CW)

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



TODAY'S SERVICES

9.00pm Matins Horsenden
10.30am Holy Communion Bledlow

with our thanks to the Revds Steve & Rose Williams
for officiating at our services

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICES

(29th October)

9.00pm Holy Communion Saunderton
10.30am Matins Bledlow
4.00pm Time to Remember Bledlow

MORNING PRAYER: No Morning Prayer until further notice.

CHOIR PRACTICE: 7.45pm on Wednesday 25th October in Holy Trinity Church, Bledlow.

FOLLOW US ON "TWITTER": You can follow the Parish on Twitter - @BSH_Parish

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Help from all is needed for the "clean-up" of Holy Trinity Church graveyard between 10.00am and 1.00pm on Saturday 18th November. Refreshments will be provided, but please bring rakes, wheelbarrows and pruners etc. Thanks.

NEW VICAR: As you know, we've been in interregnum since our wonderful vicar, Jennifer, left us in May. The PCC has been busy working out, with your help, what we are looking for in a new vicar, and what we can offer them. Now we can get on and find one! Our advert is live on the diocese website:

<https://www.oxford.anglican.org/team-vicar-house-duty/>

.... & OUR PARISH PROFILE: Is here on:-

<https://www.oxford.anglican.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/Bledlow-Parish-Profile-integrated-draft-amended-by-GL-26-09-17-3.pdf>

During the interregnum, please make every effort to support our Church, the Church Wardens (Martyn Thomas - 01844 344508, & Phil Goding - 01844 342570) and the visiting clergy. THANK YOU.

If you require any relevant information to be included on the Pew Sheet, please advise Colin Lees by email on colin.lees@tesco.net by noon on the preceding Thursday. Thank you.

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