

COLLECT

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING 2 Sam 6.1-5, 12b-19

A reading from the second book of Samuel
David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand.
2David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-
judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the
name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. 3They
carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house
of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio,* the sons of
Abinadab, were driving the new cart 4with the ark of God;* and Ahio*
went in front of the ark. 5David and all the house of Israel were danc-
ing before the Lord with all their might, with songs* and lyres and
harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals. 12 It was told
King David, 'The Lord has blessed the household of Obed-edom and
all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God.' So David went and
brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of
David with rejoicing; 13and when those who bore the ark of the Lord
had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. 14David danced
before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen
ephod. 15So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of
the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. 16 As the
ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul
looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing
before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart. 17 They brought
in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David
had pitched for it; and David offered burnt- offerings and offerings of
well-being before the Lord. 18When David had finished offering the
burnt-offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people
in the name of the Lord of hosts, 19and distributed food among all
the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to
each a cake of bread, a portion of meat,* and a cake of raisins. Then
all the people went back to their homes.

This is the word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Responsorial Psalm 85:8-end

R: Show us your mercy, O Lord.

I will listen to what the Lord God will say, for he shall speak peace
to his people and to the faithful, that they turn not again to folly.
Truly, his salvation is near to those who fear him, that his glory
may dwell in our land. **R** Mercy and truth are met together, right-
eousness and peace have kissed each other; Truth shall spring up
from the earth and righteousness look down from heaven. **R** The
Lord will indeed give all that is good, and our land will yield its
increase. Righteousness shall go before him and direct his steps
in the way. **R**



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SECOND READING Ephesians 1.3-14

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians
Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who
has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the
heavenly places, 4just as he chose us in Christ* before the
foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him
in love. 5He destined us for adoption as his children through
Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, 6to
the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us
in the Beloved. 7In him we have redemption through his
blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the
riches of his grace 8that he lavished on us. With all wisdom
and insight 9he has made known to us the mystery of his will,
according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ,
10as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in
him, things in heaven and things on earth. 11In Christ we
have also obtained an inheritance,* having been destined ac-
cording to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things
according to his counsel and will, 12so that we, who were the
first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his
glory. 13In him you also, when you had heard the word of
truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him,
were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit;
14this* is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption
as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

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Gospel Mark 6.14-29

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
GLORY TO YOU O LORD

at the end of the reading

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **PRAISE TO YOU O CHRIST**

POST COMMUNION

Lord God,
whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,
ever giving himself that the world may live:
may we so receive within ourselves
the power of his death and passion
that, in his saving cup,
we may share his glory
and be made perfect in his love;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**



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THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Welcome today as we come to God in all our needs and desires

Worship in the Benefice today... 7th after Trinity

0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion & RnS
1100 Felmersham Parish Communion & Icon Blessing
1500 Souldrop Parish Communion
1800 Sharnbrook Benefice Evensong – LLW Rosemary
Monday-Commemoration- Osmund, Bishop of Salisbury, 1099
1000 Funeral & Burial of Late Jean Dunkley
1145 Messy Church

Tuesday—feria

Wednesday-Commemoration– Elizabeth Ferard, first Deaconess of the Church of England, Founder of the Community of St Andrew, 1883

0930 Sharnbrook **Holy Communion 3rd Wed BCP**– Rev Lionel
12noon-2pm Deanery Chapter at Clapham
1930 Sharnbrook PCC in SPR

Thursday—Lesser Festival-Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, and his sister Macrina, Deaconess, Teachers of the Faith, 394 and 379

0930 Felmersham **Holy Communion CW**—Rev Lionel

Friday—Commemoration-Margaret of Antioch, Martyr, 4th C

Saturday—feria

1430 Sharnbrook Interment of Ashes
1500 Felmersham Interment of Ashes
1600 Sharnbrook Thanksgiving for interment of Ashes

Next Sunday services—8th after Trinity

0830 Souldrop Holy Communion BCP
0930 Sharnbrook Parish Communion
1100 Felmersham Choral Matins-LLW Rosemary
1800 Knotting Benefice Evensong – LLW JaneT



All welcome to a **Summer Ploughman's Lunch** on Thursday 26th July 12.30 St Peter's Room. £5- tickets from July 781057

Intercessions

The sick and in need: Isabela, Pam, David, Doll, Keri, Maureen, Matthew, Barbara, Sally, Marjorie, Doreen, Conrad & Cynthia
The Departed: Jean Dunkley

Prayer requests for the week:

Pray for the CofE work of the CAR WASH App
Pray for our Prime Minister and government as they work on Brexit
Pray for our church cleaners and polishers

Christian Meditation Group

meets on Mondays 2000 in SPR—all welcome!



Offering Envelopes



Sharnbrook

Weekly Envelope Scheme

July sees the start of the new year for St. Peter's Weekly Envelope Scheme for Regular Donations. For those already using this scheme, please collect your new box of envelopes from Roland.

New App lets drivers report modern slavery at hand car washes

Drivers are being urged to report signs of modern slavery at cheap hand car washes using a new smartphone app.

Safe Car Wash asks motorists about a series of indicators of forced labour including the use of children, fearful behaviour, a lack of protective clothing and prices lower than £6.70.

It sends the anonymised data and a GPS position to the National Crime Agency (NCA) and the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority (GLAA) and directs users to the Modern Slavery Helpline.

The app, which is available for download from 4 June, has been launched by The Clewer Initiative, the Church of England's campaign against modern slavery, and the Santa Marta Group, the Catholic Church's anti-slavery project.



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Items for inclusion should be sent to sharnbrookbenefice@gmail.com **by 0900 on Wednesdays.**

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Sponsorship: none this week :(

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