

# THIS WEEK

## SUNDAY 27TH OCTOBER

09.00 BCP HC with Robed Choir  
10.30 Morning Praise  
6.00pm Compline

## TUESDAY 29TH OCTOBER

11:00am Hawkesley Crafts day

## WEDNESDAY 30TH OCTOBER

10.00am-12.00pm OPEN CHURCH  
10.00am-12.00pm Knit & Natter Hawkesley

## THURSDAY 31ST OCTOBER

9.00am-11.00am TINY TOTS  
10.00am-12.00pm Churchyard  
care team \*Volunteers Wel-  
come\*  
12.30pm-2.30pm Seniors Club:  
Bulb Painting

## SATURDAY 2ND OCTOBER

10.00am-12.00pm OPEN CHURCH

## SUNDAY 3RD OCTOBER

09.00 BCP Holy Communion  
10.30 HC With Choir  
3.00pm Memorial Service  
6.00pm Taize

### Collect for the Week:

Merciful God,  
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,  
that trusting in your word and obeying your will  
we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord.

# 27th October 2024



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# READINGS:



### TODAY

Heb's 7. 23-28 page 219

Mark 10. 46-52 page 45

### NEXT WEEK

H'brews 12. 18-24 Page 224

Matthew 5. 1-12 Page 4

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## Last of Trinity

**“What do you want me to do for you?” (Mark 10:51)**

Have you ever felt that life was just passing you by? Today’s Gospel is an invitation to allow yourself to be seen by Jesus with all your vulnerability. This passage is a brilliant conclusion to a section central to Mark’s Gospel on discipleship. This begins with the gradual, secret healing of a blind man in Mark 8: 22 – 26. Today’s passage concludes this section with a full, public healing at the gate of Jericho before Jesus goes on his way to Jerusalem.

Mark pulls out all the stops to deliver this story as a fast paced, action-packed narrative, typical of the earlier chapters in his Gospel. But rather than drawing your attention to these Marken tricks, I would rather you spend time on your own in prayer with this passage. You might like to imagine yourself as Bartimaeus the only person named who is healed. The first blind man at first sees only shadows, people walking around like trees. Bartimaeus is able to see Jesus straight away because of his faith, not prior discipleship or learning.

Bartimaeus is vulnerable but also has strength and agency. He is not used by Mark as a merely passive recipient of Jesus’ power. In response to Jesus’ call He jumps up, throws off his cloak and comes to Jesus. Jesus asks him what he wants.

May I encourage you to tell God what you want God to do for you as you pray with this passage. As you take in the vivid details and inhabit the story, notice what happens to you in prayer and talk to God or someone you trust about this.

Rev Christine McAteer

**Please Remember in your prayers:**

Mason Green, Paul Cowley, Siobhan and Darlene, June McCoy, Pauline Wells, Joyce Hancock, Maureen Black, Steven Fearon, Jeremy Dacombe, Greta Lacey, Sarah Byford, Catherine Wilkinson, Gabriella Young, Matthew Coulter, Sandra, John Osborne, Margaret Roper, Jean Dewey, Eddie Matthews, Mary Barnes, Kate Charalambous.

**Those Who have died and those who grieve for them:** Winnie Osborne,

**Lady Chapel:** Prayers are offered here after the 10.30am service. Please come if you would like someone to pray with you.

**B30 and South Bham Foodbank**

Thank you for your harvest gifts across the last fortnight, but also for your long-term support in food, finance and prayer. Urgent needs vary, but include all stable foods (tinned/packet) in 500g sizes or less as the clients mostly walk/bus and need to carry the bags home. Food must be in date and in its original, unopened packaging. Thank you again.

**Leaf Clearing:** November, 2nd, 16th, 23rd, 30th @ 10am-12pm,  
**Join us and Bring a Rake!**

**We are needing help with people to join the Welcomers Team and/or Coffee Rota, please speak to Mark Sandilands, call or message the Parish Office .**

**Thank you so much for the volunteers so far, please keep enquiring.**

### **DATES FOR THE DIARY:**

**Saturday 2nd November 10am** Churchyard Leaf Clearing Volunteering

**Sunday 3rd November 3pm** Memorial Service

**Sunday 10th November 10.30am** Remembrance Service

**Wednesday 27th November 7.00pm** Men’s Group—Curry Night, See John Adams.