



Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2024

This week's service

# WELCOME

This week's reading

This morning's service is led by Nigel Worth



Matthew 13:1-23

## A thought from Nigel

Over the last few weeks, we have been exploring Jesus sharing parables or stories to the people he meets. Today we look at the Parable of the Farmer. Probably one of the most popular parables, but still has depth and truth for us to learn from and remind ourselves of God's plan.

Just as a reminder, here are the four types of soil, maybe you can connect with them and even have experience of them in your garden.

**The bird-pecked soil**

**The rocky soil**

**The thorny soil**

**The good soil**

Jesus promises us that *"In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world"* (John 16:33).



## Easiest Ever Moist Apple Cake

a good way to use up windfalls

### Ingredients

- 2 cups SR flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 eggs, large
- 2 large or 3 small apples, peeled, cored and chopped
- ¾ tsp cinnamon
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 1½ tsp vanilla extract
- ¾ tsp salt

### Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 180°C
2. Grease and line a 21 cm / 9" springform cake pan
3. Combine flour, cinnamon and salt in a large bowl
4. Whisk oil and sugar in a bowl, then whisk in eggs and vanilla.
5. Pour the wet ingredients into the dry and mix with a wooden spoon until JUST combined. Add chopped apple.
6. Pour into cake tin.
7. Bake for 50 minutes - 1 hr. Check at 50 minutes - it is cooked when a skewer inserted into the centre comes out clean.
8. Cool for 10 minutes before turning out onto a rack to cool. Dust with icing sugar if using, then serve.

## Prayer for the week

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



## Church diary for the next month

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**  
 with Sean O'Toole

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**  
 with Debbie Patrick

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**  
 with Sean O'Toole  
**3pm Civic Service**  
**7pm Sunday Night Live**  
 More details to follow

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September**  
**10:45 Holy Communion**  
 with Rev Patrick Douglas

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September**  
**10am Heritage Open Day**  
 An opportunity to climb the tower to see the bells

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**  
 with Debbie Patrick

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**  
 with Nigel Worth

## Other rotas

Copies of the other rotas can be found on the noticeboard at the back of church.

## Our New Look Cleaning Rota

A few weeks ago we asked everyone which jobs in the church they would be able to sign up for. Here is the rota that Sandra has drawn up using the information from those lists.

Aug 18 <sup>th</sup>	Christine G	Main body, vestry & bell tower, sweeping porch
Aug 25 <sup>th</sup>	Friday house group	Whole church, including brasses
Sep 1 <sup>st</sup>	Jeff	Main body
" "	Brian A	Sweeping porch
Sep 8 <sup>th</sup>	Deb & Nige	Whole church
Sep 15 <sup>th</sup>	Brian Redfern	Main body, kitchen & N. Aisle
" "	Bill	Brasses
Sep 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Christine G	Main body, vestry & bell tower, sweeping porch
Sep 29 <sup>th</sup>	Friday house group	Whole church, including brasses

## Refreshments Rota

It's a real blessing to be able to spend time chatting with one another after the service. We have a rota for serving tea & coffee.

Please swap with someone if you cannot do a particular date.

Please bring the milk. Thank you



11 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Deb W
18 <sup>th</sup> Aug	James
25 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Maxine & Jane
1 <sup>st</sup> Sep	Carol
8 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Gwen
15 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Deb W
22 <sup>nd</sup> Sep	James
29 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Maxine & Jane

## The Longest Yarn — highly recommended by Gwen

D-Day 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemorated as **The Longest Yarn** is coming to Southwell Minster from 9-27 September. Admission is free (donations welcome) and tickets are not needed.

**The Longest Yarn** is an 80m 3D depiction of D-Day, 6th June 1944, in wool art. With 80 displays, each measuring one metre in length, depicting scenes of the world's largest amphibious invasion,

Created with guidance from professional historians to be accurate, each scene has been selected by the creator to depict the story of this momentous day in history. Some of the scenes depict actual WW2 veterans that were in the theatre of war in Normandy on 6th June plus the lesser-known events in local towns and villages in Normandy.



Gwen wants to visit the exhibition and is happy to drive if anyone wants a lift.

[The Longest Yarn | Southwell Minster](#)

