

**St Mary, Whitegate and St Peter, Little Budworth  
Readings for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September – St Mary  
Benefice Communion at St Mary's**

**COLLECT:**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you are always more ready to hear than  
we to pray and to give more than either  
we desire or deserve:  
pour down upon us the abundance of  
your mercy, forgiving us those things of  
which our conscience is afraid and giving  
us those good things which we are not  
worthy to ask but through the merits and  
mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our  
Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**FIRST READING:**

Galations 4:4-7

But when the fullness of time had come,  
God sent his Son, born of a woman, born  
under the law, in order to redeem those  
who were under the law, so that we  
might receive adoption as children. And  
because you are children, God has sent  
the Spirit of his Son into our hearts,  
crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no  
longer a slave but a child, and if a child  
then also an heir, through God.

**GOSPEL READING:**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Luke

All **Glory to you, O Lord**

Luke 1: 46-55

And Mary said,

'My soul magnifies the Lord,  
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,  
for he has looked with favour on the  
lowliness of his servant.  
Surely, from now on all generations will  
call me blessed;  
for the Mighty One has done great things  
for me, and holy is his name.  
His mercy is for those who fear him  
from generation to generation.  
He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud in the  
thoughts of their hearts.  
He has brought down the powerful from  
their thrones,  
and lifted up the lowly;  
he has filled the hungry with good things,  
and sent the rich away empty.  
He has helped his servant Israel,  
in remembrance of his mercy,  
according to the promise he made to our  
ancestors, to Abraham and to his  
descendants for ever.'

## **POST COMMUNION:**

God of all mercy,  
in this eucharist you have set aside our  
sins and given us your healing:  
grant that we who are made whole in  
Christ may bring that healing to this  
broken world,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **SAFEGUARDING:**

St Mary's & St Peter's take our duty and obligation to protect all extremely seriously. We have adopted the national Church of England's procedures and guidelines. You can find out more about the national policies and procedures at [www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding](http://www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding)

If you have any safeguarding concerns or issues of a safeguarding matter then you can find useful contact information at: <https://www.chesterdiocese.org> and click on the "Safeguarding" tab

## **DURING THE VICAR'S SABBATICAL LEAVE:**

- Please contact Rev Margaret Byrne rather than the Vicarage.

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## **AFTER THE SERVICE:**

Please join us for refreshments.  
At St Mary's these are served in The Mews which is at the bottom of the steps leading to the Village Green.

Toilets are available in The Mews.

**PLEASE NOTE THESE READING SHEETS** are now available in advance on line and can be down loaded from <https://shorturl.at/futXW>

We hope this will be useful for those taking part in services, and also for those unable to join us in Church on Sundays



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