

St Mary, Whitegate and St Peter, Little Budworth

Readings for Sunday 26 October - Bible Sunday

Morning Prayer or Holy Communion

COLLECT:

O God, forasmuch as without you
we are not able to please you;
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our
hearts;
through 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.

PSALM: 119:129-136

Your testimonies are wonderful; ♦
therefore my soul keeps them.
The opening of your word gives light; ♦
it gives understanding to the simple.
I open my mouth and draw in my breath, ♦
as I long for your commandments.
Turn to me and be gracious to me, ♦
as is your way with those who love your name.
Order my steps by your word, ♦
and let no wickedness have dominion over me.
Redeem me from earthly oppressors ♦
so that I may keep your commandments.
Show the light of your countenance upon
your servant ♦
and teach me your statutes.
My eyes run down with streams of water, ♦
because the wicked do not keep your law.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to
the Holy Spirit;

***As it was in the beginning is now and
shall be for ever. AMEN***

FIRST READING:

Romans 15:1-6

We who are strong ought to put up with
the failings of the weak, and not to
please ourselves. Each of us must please
our neighbour for the good purpose of
building up the neighbour. For Christ did
not please himself; but, as it is written,
'The insults of those who insult you have
fallen on me.' For whatever was written in
former days was written for our
instruction, so that by steadfastness and
by the encouragement of the scriptures
we might have hope. May the God of
steadfastness and encouragement grant
you to live in harmony with one another,
in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that
together you may with one voice glorify
the God and Father of our Lord Jesus
Christ.

SECOND READING:

Luke 4:16-24

When he came to Nazareth, where he
had been brought up, he went to the
synagogue on the sabbath day, as was
his custom. He stood up to read, and the
scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to
him. He unrolled the scroll and found the
place where it was written:

'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me to bring
good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him.

Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.' All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?' He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum." ' And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town

POST COMMUNION:

Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood
of your Son and filled us with your Holy
Spirit:

may we honour you, not only with our
lips but in lives dedicated to the service
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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<https://www.chesterdiocese.org/safeguarding>

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.

At St Peter's refreshments are served in Church and there is a toilet at the back of church.

