



9th August 2026.

We extend a warm welcome to
Rev John Carne, and to all our
members, friends and visitors



For meditation: *Let us love the constancy of your light, O Lord, and rejoice in it. Let us walk in the brightness of your light, O Lord, and be blessed by it. Let us live in the glory of your light, O Lord, and be judged for it.* Margaret Fox (1614 – 1702)

NEWS AND VIEWS

This week (15th) sees Roman Catholic and Orthodox Christians honouring Mary, in the Feast of the Assumption. It dates back to the sixth century and was made an official feast day by Emperor Mauritius in AD602. It was originally called the Feast of the Falling Asleep of the Mother of God, or the Dormition. The Feast of the Assumption is famous for its processions. The thirty days between 15th August and 15 September are known as Our Lady's Thirty days – a particularly blessed time of the year when all fruit and food produced is said to be particularly tasty and all water especially healthy and invigorating! Am not sure how this will work this year in a time of such drought across Europe.

A PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Lord we come to you in the freshness of a new morning, discovering that your love is new every day. May our spirits soar and swoop like summer swallows, lifting us from the past and making us eager to worship you. Your spirit is like a supporting wind, a stream of living water, and a gentle warming ray, for you are the Lord of Life. Amen

We are remembering the congregation at Farrington Gurney in our prayers this week.

LECTIONARY READINGS – 16th August

Genesis 45: 1 -15

Psalms 133

Romans 11: 1-2a, 29 -32

Matthew 15: 21 -28

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved”. How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Romans 10: 13 - 15

DIARY

Thursday 13th August

Café 9.30 – 12 noon

All welcome.

Sunday 16th August

Morning worship 11.00am

led by Rev Jill Flowers

Advance notice

Please note that the date for the next

Church Council meeting has been

changed. Instead of being on 20th

October it will now be held a week

later on the 27th at 1.45pm.

A tale from a Catholic Primary School, seen in Snape Parish Magazine

Up at the head table in the canteen one of the nuns had placed a big bowl of bright red juicy apples. Besides the bowl she placed a note which read, *Take only one. God is watching.*

At the other end of the table was a bowl of freshly baked chocolate chip cookies.

Besides the bowl lay a little note, scrawled in a child's handwriting, which read – *Take all you want. God is watching the apples.*

Come on,

Let us celebrate the supper of the Lord.

Let us make a huge loaf of bread

and let us bring abundant wine

like at the wedding at Cana.

Come quickly,

Let us follow the recipe of the Lord.

All of us, let us knead the dough together with our hands.

Let us see with joy

how the bread grows.

Because today

we celebrate

the meeting with the Lord.

Today we renew our commitment

to the Kingdom

Nobody will stay hungry. Elsa Tamez

