

Reading

Luke 14:25-33 (New International Version)

The Cost of Being a Disciple

²⁵Large crowds were travelling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: ²⁶"If anyone comes to me and does not hate his father and mother, his wife and children, his brothers and sisters—yes, even his own life—he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷And anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

²⁸"Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Will he not first sit down and estimate the cost to see if he has enough money to complete it? ²⁹For if he lays the foundation and is not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule him, ³⁰saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.'

³¹"Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Will he not first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. ³³In the same way, any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple.

Notes



THE CHURCH
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St. Bartholomew's Church Notices & News

WELCOME!

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If you would like to find out more about the regular life of the Church then please check-out our website

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NEXT WEEK

Wednesday September 8th

10.30am

Holy Communion, followed by
tea/coffee

Sunday September 12th

10.00am

Family Communion

Please invite your friends and neighbours to join us!



TODAY

Welcome to our All People Worship Service! We would also like to extend a warm welcome everyone who is visiting and enquiring about baptism.

CHOCOLATE INDULGENCE

The next Ladies Night will be on September 24th at 8pm (tickets £5 from **Jennie**). The theme this time will be "Chocolate Indulgence" with a chocolate fountain, quiz and something else to be arranged! All welcome.



MOUNTAIN BIKING

Do you like the wind in your hair, amazing views, the taste of midges in your mouth, the thrill of crazy downhill riding and the satisfaction of climbing back up... A group of church members and church friends have been enjoying a weekly off road mountain bike ride. If you are interested in joining the fun – see **Rob, Gareth** or **Jonathan**.

PASTORAL TRAINING - SATURDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER @ 9.30AM

We are preparing to set up a Pastoral Care Team, and on Saturday 11th September, Martin and Thyra Long, who are both Lay readers and experienced in this field, have agreed to come to St. Bartholomews to share the benefit of their experience with us. Whether you feel drawn to this ministry or not it will be a good opportunity to learn more about it. Please put the date in your diary and come along if you can. I would appreciate it if you let me know if you plan to attend. Thanks **Marilyn**

HOUSE GROUPS

Are you in a housegroup? Would you like to be? See a housegroup leader if you would like to join.

- Kat Alldread & Jennie Strong, Monday nights
- Nigel Strong, Monday nights
- Jane Kinsell, Tuesday afternoons
- Marie Fermer, Friday mornings
- Gareth Alldread, Wednesday nights



If you have something you would like included in the next news-sheet, or would like to receive the notices by email, contact **Gareth**.
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BELL RINGERS WANTED!

Are you a budding Campanologist (nothing to do with tents)! Are you over eleven years of age? Can you count to six and back? Are you free Sunday mornings before service and Friday evenings? Do you like to hear the sound of bells on Sunday? Have you ever thought about what's involved to make this happen?



Curious or interested in finding out more? Come along on Friday 7:30pm or ring **Karen on 01246 866118** (weekends and evenings).

We are looking for new and lapsed ringers to learn to ring, you don't have to be musical, you don't have to be strong, a warm welcome awaits you!

KAREN AND BEN

Our farewell party for Karen and Ben on the 11th September will be at the Vicarage at 3:30pm, we will have a bring and share BBQ and games... Please come along and join us.

TIME TO CELEBRATE

Sunday, September 12th will be a very special day for our church family as we celebrate the dedication of Georgia and Brandon Wilson and Glenda Taylor's 60th Birthday. There will be an all-age 10 am service, followed by a bring and share lunch. Please see the sign-up sheet at the back of church and sign-up to bring one or more items to share.

WEDNESDAY HOUSE GROUP

The Wednesday night house group is seeking new members after recently losing people to other pastures (Mark and Sarah and soon Ben...). If you would like to join this friendly and dynamic (!) group, we would love to welcome you. The group meets every Wednesday evening in the North Wingfield area. See **Gareth** or **Kat Slade** for more details.

FINAL THOUGHTS...

