ST. FRANCIS PARISH CHURCH, WESTBOROUGH

Sunday 7th August 2016 at 10am

<u>11th Sunday after Trinity</u>

A warm welcome to all joining us for our service today

<u>Readings:</u>

[S: Isaiah 1 v.1,10-20 p.686

or Hebrews 11 v.1-3, 8-16 p.1209 Luke 12 v. 32-40 p.1045

Collect:

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

If your little ones need distraction there are books and toys in the back room for your use. Please join us for refreshments and a chat after the service.

Last week's cake sale

Rae is absolutely delighted to let us know that the cake sale last week raised £200 for Nan Jivan Hospital in memory of Harold. A very big **'thank YOU'** to everybody for their support.

Don't forget Community Lunch tomorrow at 1 pm.

You may, or may not, be aware of the increasing amount of pastoral care and visiting that goes on in the parish, and while I thank God for all the care and support you show each other as well as neighbours and friends, I would like to ask if you have the occasional hour or two to spare, to join in with others, when the load is particularly heavy.

This would be simply visiting, listening, providing encouragement to show that we care, not counselling.

If you don't feel confident, we can run a very, very helpful seminar on 'listening skills, it is amazing how often we think we are listening but don't actually hear what is said.

Being listened to, encouraged and feeling cared for is an invaluable and basic need of everyone.

Dates for August

8th Community Lunch 1pm in the hall 23rd Peter Turner's funeral 27th Community shop in the hall Prayer groups meet Tues 9.30 – 10 am and Wed 7 – 7.30 pm in the Church. Mum's coffee is each Wednesday morning in the church.

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