



The United Benefice of St Helen, Burghwallis and St Mary Magdalene, Campsall

27th September 2020

Quite often I get people asking me test questions; not because they particularly want to know about the faith but because they want to know where I stand. Am I in their eyes sufficiently catholic to pass muster or sufficiently reformed to meet with their standards?

I suppose, that point is that people want to know if I am on their side: whether I am likely to be an ally or an adversary. Actually, as a parish priest I am there to support everyone. Indeed, more than that, I am supposed to love everyone – whether I like them or not.

Samuel Crossman's Passiontide hymn has these words:

*My song is love unknown,
My Saviour's love to me;
Love to the loveless shown,
That they might lovely be.*

These words tell of Jesus' love for each one of us, and they are a reminder to me of those times when I fail to show love and generosity of spirit to others.

In our Gospel reading the Chief priests and elders wanted to trip Jesus up. But it was Jesus who revealed their true motives, their failure to show love towards someone with whom they disagreed.

Fr Richard

SUNDAY SERVICES

9.00 Recording of Holy Communion at Home – online distribution at 9.30.

**10.00 Short service of Holy Communion at Burghwallis.
(Maximum number 30)**

**11.00 Short Service of Holy Communion at Campsall.
(Maximum Number 30)**

PRAY for the Souls of:

June Wilson

Cyril Wood

Eric Wood

May they rest in Peace

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HARVEST Festival

Our Churches will be celebrating Harvest on Sunday the 4th of October.

We would like to use this as a time to make donations to the Food Bank at Askern.

Please provide tinned and dried food.

We would also like to include contributions of **Packaged** Fruit and vegetables.

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