

Exodus 32: 7-14

*The Old Testament reading is taken from the thirty-second Chapter the book of Exodus beginning at the seventh verse.*

The Lord said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!"' The Lord said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.'

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, 'O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, "It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever."' And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

*Here endeth the lesson.*

Luke 15:1-10

*The holy Gospel is written in the fifteenth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Luke beginning at the first verse.*

**Glory be to Thee, O Lord**

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and

saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.'

So he told them this parable: 'Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost." Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.'

**The Parable of the Lost Coin**

'Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost." Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

***Praise be to thee, O Christ for this thy holy gospel.***

Prayer for the week (COLLECT)

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Prayer for the Week at Home

*Merciful father, be with us when we lose our way and struggle to find the right road. You know that we are human and that we follow too much our own desires. Forgive us when we*

*are tempted to stray and help us to keep to  
your path and follow only in your ways.  
Amen*

NEXT WEEK: 21<sup>st</sup> September 2025  
Matthew the Apostle

10.15am  
All Saints' West Heslerton  
Common Worship Holy Communion

Readings: Proverbs 3: 13-18  
Matthew 9:9-13

A Prayer during Vacancy

Gracious God, in your mercy, and for your  
glory, renew us, reshape us, revive us - with  
generous faith, courageous hope, and life-  
giving love - that, in transformed lives, through  
growing church and building community in this  
Benefice, we may see your Kingdom come  
and be good news for all. Amen.

*Adapted from Derby Diocese's Diocesan  
Vision Prayer*