

Welcome to St. Bartholomew's Church, Armley



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

Diocese of Leeds

PLEASE PRAY FOR: those who have asked for our prayers: Joe Dawes, Rita Walker

Sick and suffering: Craig Craggs, Fiona Benson, Gillian Wilkinson

Recently departed: Thomas William (Bill) Akroyd

Year's mind: Jodie Kerr 1996, Sonia Evers 2017, Jean Walker 2017, Jean Smith 2022, Keith Duce 2019, Mary Capstick 2001, Arthur Smith 1989, Pauline Gilman 2010, Violet Marshall 2010

If you know of anyone who is in need of prayer, please let us know.

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

Harvest Thanksgiving Parish Mass and Church Parade – Sunday 11th October 10:00am

PCC Meeting – Monday 12th October 7:00pm
on Zoom

All Saints' Day Parish Mass – Sunday 1st
November 10:00am

Christmas Market – Saturday 14th November
11:00am to 2:00pm

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Local lottery winner 26th September – Thelma

Sunday 4th October 2026

27th Sunday of the Year
(Trinity 18)

Parish Mass 10:00am

Celebrant: Fr Ian Cook

Hymns: 484 (t. 167) 239
332 (omit vv. 2 & 3) 387 364 (t. 185)

THIS WEEK AT ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH

Thursday

Said Mass 10:00am in
the Centenary Chapel

PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW, WE ALL SAY:

We remember before you all those who worship at or are associated with St. Bartholomew's. May they continue to be strong in their faith and commitment. We pray for the future of your church in this parish and ask that ways are found to enable us to continue worshipping at this church. We also pray that Christ's love may be extended to all those with whom we come into contact. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer. **Amen**

NEXT SUNDAY 11th October 2026
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Trinity 19)
Harvest Thanksgiving Parish Mass
and Church Parade 10:00am
Celebrant: Fr Ian Cook
Guest speaker: Anita Goldthorpe (St.
George's Crypt)

Please take a look at St. Bartholomew's
Armley website on 'A Church Near You'

www.achurchnearyou.com/church/3323/

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,
and there is none that can resist your will.
For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,
and all that is held within the circle of heaven;
you are the Lord of all.*

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,
who in the abundance of your kindness
surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you,
pour out your mercy upon us
to pardon what conscience dreads
and to give what prayer does not dare to ask... **Amen.**

FIRST READING Isaiah 5:1-7

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Let me sing for my beloved
my love song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.
He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
and he looked for it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah,
judge between me and my vineyard.
What more was there to do for my vineyard,
that I have not done in it?
When I looked for it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.
I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and briars and thorns shall grow up;
I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the men of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed;
for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 80(79):9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 R. Isaiah 5:7a

R: The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

1. You brought a vine out of Egypt;
you drove out the nations and planted it.
It stretched out its branches to the sea;
to the River it stretched out its shoots. **R.**
2. Then why have you broken down its walls?
It is plucked by all who pass by the way.
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,
devoured by the beasts of the field. **R.**
3. God of hosts, turn again, we implore;
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the stock your right hand has planted,
the son you have claimed for yourself. **R.**

4. And we shall never forsake you again;
give us life that we may call upon your name.
Bring us back, O Lord God of hosts;
let your face shine forth, and we shall be saved. **R.**

SECOND READING Philippians 4:6-9

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians.

Brothers and sisters: Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise: think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me – practise these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL cf. John 15:16

R: Alleluia, alleluia.

I chose you out of the world, says the Lord,
that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit
should abide.

R: Alleluia.

GOSPEL Matthew 21:33-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

At that time: Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence round it and dug a wine press in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than at first. And they did the same to them. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance." And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?'

They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.'

Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the Scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone"; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes"? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray,
the sacrifices instituted by your commands
and, through the sacred mysteries,
which we celebrate with dutiful service,
graciously complete the sanctifying work
by which you are pleased to redeem us... **Amen.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Though many, we are one bread, one body,
for we all partake of the one Bread and one Chalice.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant us, almighty God,
that we may be refreshed and nourished
by the Sacrament which we have received,
so as to be transformed into what we consume... **Amen.**