

The Parish Church of Aldwick St Richard



Parish in vacancy

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SUNDAY 6TH JULY 2025

3RD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday 6th 08:00 Holy Communion

Trinity 3 10:30 Coffee in the Mosse Hall

11:15 Parish Family Eucharist

12.45 Lunch on Sunday (Mosse Hall)

Monday 7th No public worship today

Tuesday 8th 18:00 Evening Prayer (Pagham)

19:00 Tuesday@7 (Pagham)

Wednesday 9th 18:00 Evening Prayer (Pagham) Thursday 10th 09:00 Morning Prayer (Pagham)

10:00 Holy Communion (Pagham)

19:30 Pints of View (The Inglenook, Pagham)

Friday 11th No public worship today

St. Benedict

Saturday 12th No public worship today Sunday 13th 08:00 Holy Communion

Trinity 4 10:30 Coffee in the Mosse Hall

11:15 Parish Family Eucharist

Whilst in vacancy, although our pattern of worship during the week may be reduced, St Richard's Church will remain open for private prayer Monday - Saturday 10am-4pm and until 4pm on Sunday.

The Collection plate - If you would like to make an offering, please use the contactless Payaz machine or the collection plate, both can be found by the door. Thank you for your generosity.

Hymns

Introit: 232 Awake, my soul, and with the sun Gradual: 457 The King of love my Shepherd is

Offertory: 271 Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Final: 420 O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end

The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the third Sunday after Trinity:

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 66.10-14

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

Psalm 66

Be joyful in God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; sing the glory of his praise. Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great strength your enemies shall bow before you. 'All the earth shall worship you, sing to you, sing praise to your name.' Come now and behold the works of God, how wonderful he is in his dealings with humankind. He turned the sea into dry land; the river they passed through on foot; there we rejoiced in him. In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; let no rebel rise up against him. Bless our God, O you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard, who holds our souls in life and suffers not our feet to slip.

New Testament Reading: The Letter of Paul to the Galations 6.7-16

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 10.1-11, 16-20

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, "Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near." 'Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.' The seventy returned with joy, saying, 'Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.'

Prayers of Intercession

The sick and those who care for them:

Janet Lock, Jayne Foulks, Peter Dickinson, Sue and family, Edna Nolson, Don Durrant, Rev'd James Cooper, Mike Broad.

Recently departed: Harry Mundell.

Anniversary of death: Michael Bradbury (7th); Iris Foulks (9th); Leila Sunderland (10th).

We pray for and with the people of Ukraine; for the people of Israel, Gaza and the West Bank; for peace of the Holy Land; and for those who will weep, and fear, and die this day.

Post Communion Prayer:

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Next week's readings: Trinity 4
Deuteronomy 30: 9-14; Psalm 25: 1-10; Colossians 1: 1-14; Luke 10: 25-37

We are delighted that the licensing of the Rev Julian McAllen will take place at St Thomas à Beckett church on Tuesday 2nd September at 7.30pm. This is when we will formally welcome him and his family to the parishes of St Richard's and St Thomas à Beckett. Please keep Julian and his family in your prayers.

Community Groups and Events

Lunch on Sunday takes place today at 12.45 pm following our Parish Family Eucharist. This is a 'bring and share' lunch, however, if you haven't signed up and brought a donation of food, but would like to attend, you are still welcome. Perhaps make a donation to the Wardens' Appeal instead? This is a great opportunity to share a relaxed meal together. If you, along with some friends, would like to organise a lunch in the future, please contact Angela Purser.

Pints of View - a discussion group for men: meet with The Rev'd Clive Ashley on Thursday 10th July at 7.30pm in The Inglenook, Pagham. Buy yourself a pint and come have a chat on current affairs - no hidden agenda, a meeting of men of all ages. Please note that there will be no meeting in August and the next meeting will be on 11th September.

The Bear Necessities will meet at 7.30pm on July 14th at the Bear Inn, Pagham. Please note that there will be no meeting in August and the next meeting will be on September 8th.

The Deanery Synod will take place on Thursday 17th July at Holy Cross Church, Chichester Road, North Bersted, PO21 5AU at 7.30pm with refreshments available from 7.00pm. The meeting will explore chaplaincy at Ford Prison. All are welcome to attend.

Sounds Familiar concert: This summer music offering by a local community choir will take place on Saturday 19th July, starting with Pimms and soft drinks on the church lawn at 4pm (for a donation) with music from 4.45pm. Please do come and support the choir. Entry will be £5 on the door for 16s and over, under 16s free. Tickets can also be purchased in advance from Barbara Cotton.

Knitted poppies: Thank you to those of you who have begun knitting your poppies for the Mothers' Union project to put on a big display in November, in the 80th anniversary year of peace in Europe and Japan. Barbara Cotton has joined us with some smashing ideas about displaying poppies in church. Carole says she is much more artistic than her - and knows how to combine different materials. What we need now is some of the poppies to help Barbara put things together, so please bring them into church. A pattern is available if you would like to join in and knit some poppies – please contact Carole via email: carole.matthews@jrmail.co.uk

Sponsoring flower arrangements in church: If you would like to sponsor a flower arrangement in church, perhaps in memory of a loved one, or simply because you love to see the beautiful decorations created by our flower group, please do sign up - there is a rota on the noticeboard as you go into church. Please take an envelope, pop in your cash and leave it in the collection plate. Alternatively, if you'd like to donate by BACS transfer, please ask David, our treasurer, for the account details and use the reference: Flowers.

An appeal from St Richard's belltower - Have you noticed that in the last few months not all of our eight bells have been rung each week for the 11.15 Sunday Service? We have a great peal of eight easy-toring bells and we want all of them to be heard whenever possible. Are you interested in learning to ring or do you know anyone who might? If so, please do get in touch with us - either Jonathon Harris (Tower Captain) on 07510 140258 or Julie Robinson (Secretary) on 01243 868881 or 07931 966026. We will be delighted to hear from you. All we ask is a commitment to attend teaching sessions regularly, working towards joining in with the present ringers on Sunday mornings and at our Tuesday evening practices.

LET THE BELLS RING!

SUPPORT FOR THE FOODBANK IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER.



Urgently needed this week: Pasta sauces, pasta tins, tinned fruit, tinned rice / custard, tinned tomatoes. We have plenty of: pulses.