



St Wilfrid's Church Brayton

Sunday 31st August 2025

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Joint Parish Celtic Communion at St Wilfrid's

Welcome to St Wilfrid's!

Before our Service begins you are invited to join in a short time of quietness and reflection in preparation for worship. After the Service please join us for coffee and chat in the Parish Hall.



St Wilfrid's Website Link

A massive thank you

to all who helped out in any way at last Sunday's Brayton Bonanza! It was a wonderfully joyful bringing together of the community.

Beer and Banter. Monday 1st September, 7:30pm in the Swan. Young men! Your Parish needs you! Come along, and bond with fellow beer drinkers! **John C**

Community Lunch.

Wednesday 3rd September, 12noon-1:30pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. The Community Lunch team return from the seaside to make some more soup! A simple lunch of soup, a bread roll, and desert for only £5. **Pat**

Mothers Union Coffee

Morning. Saturday, 13th September 10am – 11:30am, St Wilfrid's parish hall. Join us for tea, coffee, and delicious cakes, cake stall and raffle. Proceeds to support the work of the Mothers Union. **Lynn**

Ragged Wreath Class.

Saturday 13th September, 10am to 12noon, St Francis Church. One of a series of workshops to be held at St Francis. Book via Jan Tetley (leave a message 01757 707987). **John C**

Weighton Waytes. Saturday 20th September, from 7:30pm, St Wilfrid's Church. The excellent Weighton Waytes, featuring Revd. Francis Lofthouse, will entertain with a fantastic choral concert in Church. Tickets £8 to include drinks during the interval. **Pat**

Coffeemates. Wednesday 24th September, 10am to 12noon, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. Enjoy good company plus coffee and cake! **Lynn**

Churchyard Tidying.

Saturday, 27th September, 9:30am to 12noon, St Wilfrid's Churchyard. Help maintain the churchyard! **John C**

Tea@2. Thursday 2nd October, 2pm-4pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. An afternoon of coffee, tea, cake and chat. Tickets only £7. **Pat**

St Wilfrid's Pastoral Care.

Contact Sue Beevers 01757 229515 (susan.beevers1@btinternet.com) if you know of anyone who is sick, in hospital, or in other need, or who would benefit from being visited by a member of the clergy or others in the Pastoral Team. **Sue**

Safeguarding children and adults.

We will take seriously any issues that arise, notifying & seeking advice from the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor where necessary. The Parish Safeguarding Representative is Linda Bunn, telephone 07711 384003, email safeguarding@stwilfridsparish.com. **Linda**

Services to be held in St Wilfrid's Church from Monday 1st September:

Tuesday 2nd September
10:30am Holy Communion
at Fernbank Court

Wednesday 3rd September
9:30am Holy Communion

Sunday 7th September
12th Sunday after Trinity
10:30am Morning Prayer

Contributions. Send your items to me at magazine@stwilfridsparish.com by 9pm on the Tuesday **please.**
John C

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COLLECT

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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.

FIRST READING

Either **Ecclesiasticus 10:12-18**

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus.

The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities, and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their place. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women.

Or Proverbs 25:6-7

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

Or Jeremiah 2:4-13

PSALM Psalm 112

R *The righteous will be held in everlasting remembrance.*

Alleluia.

Blessed are those who fear the Lord and have great delight in his commandments.

Their descendants will be mighty in the land,
a generation of the faithful that will be blest. **R**

Wealth and riches will be in their house,
and their righteousness endures for ever.
Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
gracious and full of compassion are the righteous. **R**

It goes well with those who are generous in lending
and order their affairs with justice,
For they will never be shaken;
the righteous will be held in everlasting remembrance.
They will not be afraid of any evil tidings;
their heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord. **R**

Their heart is sustained and will not fear,
until they see the downfall of their foes.
They have given freely to the poor;
their righteousness stands fast for ever;
their head will be exalted with honour.
The wicked shall see it and be angry;
they shall gnash their teeth in despair;
the desire of the wicked shall perish. **R**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 13:1-8. 15-16

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Through him, then, let us continually

offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

GOSPEL Luke 14:1. 7-14

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

POST COMMUNION

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have celebrated
that one true sacrifice
which takes away our sins and brings
pardon and peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the
gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

