

Diary August 2025

Mon 25th	Summer Bank Holiday Church office will be closed
Tue 26th	Church office will be closed
Wed 27th	Choir practice in St Alkmund's Church
Thur 28th	Bell Ringing in St Alkmund's Church
Fri 29th	Funeral of Jean Elizabeth Tasker in St Alkmund's Church
	Lunchtime Recital in St Alkmund's

FTW NOTICES

DO YOU LOVE SINGING and encouraging others to sing? Could you be a member of our Care Home visiting team? We bring God's peace, love and joy to local care home residents by offering Communion Services and Songs of Praise once per month. If you are interested please contact Alison on 01948 667102.

LUNCHTIME RECITAL: The start of our new series of Lunchtime recitals commences on Friday 29th August at 1pm in St Alkmund's, where we welcome Paul Carr with an Organ Recital.

CHURCHES TOGETHER: Next meeting is on Tuesday 2nd September at 7.45pm in St Alkmund's Church vestry.

TOSCA AT ST ALKMUND'S CHURCH: The North Wales Opera Studio will be presenting a performance of Tosca on 12th September at 7pm. Tickets can be purchased online or on the door—Price £18. Scan the QR code on the poster in church for more info.

HERITAGE WEEKEND: On the 12th & 13th Sept when St Alkmund's opens its doors for Tower Tours, and viewing of our Parish Registers (13th Sept only). Please see notices for times and booking information.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE: Will take place at St Alkmund's Church with Bishop Sarah on Sunday 21st September at 4pm. If you would like further information on this service please contact Alison Dunne in the church office on 01948 667102.

THE FRIENDS OF ST ALKMUND'S: Nicola Mills is performing 'A Spoonful of Julie' on 17th October 7pm at St Alkmund's. Tickets: £15 - Book with: Alex 07866 072091, Hilda 01948 667705 or John 07831 439946.

THE FRIENDS OF ST ALKMUND'S QUIZ & SOUP: 19th September at 7.15pm Bargates Hall. Tickets: £10 per person. Book as a team (no more than 6) or as an individual and we'll join you up with a team. Book with Hilda Francis-Roberts on 01948 667705 by Sunday 14th September.

TEA & CHAT: Instead of our zoom 'Tea and Chat' sessions on a Friday afternoon we have been gathering at the new cafe on the GP surgery site, on Wed and Thur mornings from 10.45am. We are a friendly bunch and would love to see you there.

HELP NEEDED: Our Guild of Service need volunteers to help with dusting & polishing only), approx. 6 times a year. If you are able to help please speak with Sue Wainwright or Alison on 01948 667102.



THE PARISHES OF FAULS, TILSTOCK & WHITCHURCH

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❖ Donations to:

St Alkmund's Church may be made to: Whitchurch Parochial Church Council, Charity No 1129900, Barclays Bank - Sort Code: 20-77-85 Account No: 80275417.

Holy Immanuel, Fauls may be made to: Fauls Parochial Church Council, Sort Code: 20-45-45 Account No: 70731633

Christ Church, Tilstock may be made to: Tilstock Parochial Church Council, Sort Code: 30-99-58 Account No: 00463523

Sunday 24th August 2025
Bartholomew the Apostle

Trinity 10



9.30am	Fauls	Holy Communion Rev Chris Precious
10.00am	Whitchurch	Holy Communion <i>with Prayer for Healing</i> Rev Sue Armstrong
12midday	Whitchurch	Holy Baptism Rev Pippa White
4.00pm	Whitchurch	Brick Church Rev Chris Precious Rev Pippa White
6.30pm	Whitchurch	Sung Evensong Rev Pippa White

Lichfield Diocese Community of Evangelists
Presents

Rev Chris Precious

"Encountering Jesus in a market town"

Wednesday 8th October 2025

12.00-3.30pm in St Alkmund's Church

*Starting with refreshments and ending with a walk
for the more energetic*

To book contact Lynne Mills at lynne@fpe-network.org

31st August - Trinity 11

10.30am Tilstock FTW Joint Service

*Please note that this will be the only service at
all 3 churches on this day.*

COLLECT: PRAYER FOR TODAY

Almighty and everlasting God,
who gave, to your apostle Bartholomew, grace
truly to believe and to preach your word:
grant that your Church
may love that word which he believed
and may faithfully preach and receive the same;
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.

ISAIAH 43. 8-13

*The prophet tells us that the work of God's
servants and messengers is to witness to him,
to expound and explain the truths of his being
and his ways.*

A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah

- ⁸Bring forth the people who are blind, yet have eyes, who are deaf, yet have ears!
⁹Let all the nations gather together,
and let the peoples assemble.
Who among them declared this,
and foretold to us the former things?
Let them bring their witnesses to justify them,
and let them hear and say, 'It is true.'
¹⁰You are my witnesses, says the LORD,
and my servant whom I have chosen,
so that you may know and believe me
and understand that I am he.
Before me no god was formed,
nor shall there be any after me.
¹¹I, I am the LORD,
and besides me there is no saviour.
¹²I declared and saved and proclaimed,
when there was no strange god among you;
and you are my witnesses, says the LORD.
¹³I am God, and also henceforth I am He;
there is no one who can deliver from my hand;
I work and who can hinder it?

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

PSALM 145. 1-7

- ¹I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name for ever and ever.
²Every day I will bless you,
and praise your name for ever and ever.
³Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.
⁴One generation shall laud your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts.
⁵On the glorious splendour of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
⁶The might of your awesome deeds shall be
proclaimed, and I will declare your greatness.
⁷They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant
goodness, and shall sing aloud of your
righteousness.

ACTS 5. 12-16

*The apostles in Jerusalem constantly proclaimed
the resurrection of Jesus, and as the number of
believers grew, so did the reputation of the church
and the demands on it for the work of healing.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

- ¹²Now many signs and wonders were done among
the people through the apostles. And they were
all together in Solomon's Portico.
¹³None of the rest dared to join them, but the
people held them in high esteem.
¹⁴Yet more than ever believers were added to the
Lord, great numbers of both men and women,
¹⁵so that they even carried out the sick into the
streets, and laid them on cots and mats, in
order that Peter's shadow might fall on some of
them as he came by.
¹⁶A great number of people would also gather
from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the
sick and those tormented by unclean spirits,
and they were all cured.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

LUKE 22. 24-30

*Jesus had to admonish his own chosen Twelve,
when they began to argue about their own
importance. His kingdom is one in which everyone
seeks not to dominate but to serve, as he himself
was the servant of all.*

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according
to Luke*

Glory to you, O Lord.

- ²⁴A dispute also arose among them as to which
one of them was to be regarded as the greatest.
²⁵But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles
lord it over them; and those in authority over
them are called benefactors.
²⁶But not so with you; rather the greatest among
you must become like the youngest, and the
leader like one who serves.
²⁷For who is greater, the one who is at the table
or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the
table? But I am among you as one who serves.
²⁸You are those who have stood by me in my trials;
²⁹and I confer on you, just as my Father has
conferred on me, a kingdom, ³⁰so that you may
eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and
you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes
of Israel.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**