

Sunday 31st

Trinity 11

The Parish Church of Aldwick St Richard



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SUNDAY 24TH AUGUST 2025

10TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

08:00 Holy Communion (in Mosse Hall) Sunday 24th **Trinity 10** 10:30 Coffee in the Committee Room 11:15 Parish Eucharist (in Mosse Hall) 11:00–17:00 Art Exhibition (Pagham) Monday 25th 09:00 Morning Prayer (Pagham) 10:00-17:00 Art Exhibition (Pagham) **Bartholomew the Apostle** Tuesday 26th 18:00 Evening Prayer (Pagham) Wednesday 27th **18:00 Evening Prayer (Pagham)** Monica, mother of Augustine Thursday 28th 09:00 Morning Prayer (Pagham) **Augustine of Hippo** 10:00 Holy Communion (Pagham) Friday 29th No public worship today **Beheading of John the Baptist** Saturday 30th No public worship today **John Bunyan**

08:00 Holy Communion

10:30 Coffee in the Mosse Hall

11:15 Parish Eucharist

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: 473 When morning guilds the sky (omit * verses)

Gradual: 375 I danced in the morning

Offertory: 302 O thou, who at the Eucharist didst pray

Final: (Sheet) To God be the glory

The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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 58: 9b-end

Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honourable; if you honour it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Psalm 103: 1-8 Response: Bless the Lord, O my soul



Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits; {Response}

Who forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities; Who redeems your life from the Pit and crowns you with faithful love and compassion; {Response}

Who satisfies you with good things, so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

The Lord executes righteousness and judgement for all who are oppressed. {Response}

He made his ways known to Moses and his works to the children of Israel. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and of great kindness. {Response}

New Testament Reading: Hebrews 12: 18-end

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of

the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Gospel Reading: Luke 13: 10-17

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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.

Recently departed:

Anniversary of death: Jeanne Outred (25th), Isolina Manz (27th)

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:

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Next week's readings: Trinity 10
Proverbs 25: 6-7; Psalm 112; Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16; Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Temporary closure of St Richard's Church. The church is closed for two weeks because of the Quinquennial work being undertaken inside by the stonemason. Please note that the 8am and 11.15am services on 24th August will follow their normal format but will be held in the Mosse Hall. Coffee at 10.30 will be in the Committee Room.

THE BENEFICES OF ALDWICK AND PAGHAM

The Churchwardens & PCC invite you to the Licensing by The Right Reverend Dr Martin Warner, Bishop of Chichester and the Installation by

The Revd Tom Robson, Assistant Archdeacon of Chichester

of

The Revd Julian McAllen

as Priest in Charge of the benefices of St Richard's, Aldwick & St Thomas a Becket, Pagham on 2nd September 2025 at 7.30pm at St Thomas à Becket, Church Lane, Pagham, PO21 4NU Followed by refreshments

If you are able to attend, it would be helpful if you could RSVP as soon as possible to the Parish mailbox: strichardsaldwick@gmail.com

If you are able to provide cake, in the form of a traybake, please contact Trudi Kearsley so that she knows how many of what flavour to expect: trudikearsley@hotmail.co.uk

Community Groups and Events

The Art Exhibition at **St Thomas à Becket** continues on **Sunday 24**th **11am–5pm and Monday 25**th **10am–5pm.** Entrance is free, and you can view the work of many local artists, with the opportunity to purchase. Refreshments served all day. Light lunches between 12 and 1.30pm.

Book Group: Please note the change of date, with the group meeting **2.00–3.30pm** at St Thomas à Becket on Friday **12**th September, NOT on 5th September.

Lunch on Sunday: The next Lunch on Sunday will be at 12.45pm, following the Parish Eucharist, on 14th September, not 7th, to enable Julian and his family to join us. Sign-up sheets will be available at the services on Sunday or email the Parish mailbox: strichardsaldwick@gmail.com

Sussex Historic Churches Trust, Ride and Stride, takes place on **Saturday 13**th **September, 9am–5pm.** Ride and Stride is an annual fundraising event where people are sponsored to walk, ride a bike or travel using any means of transport between participating churches. St Richard's has signed up again this year. The church will be open to participants who include St Richard's in their 'Ride and Stride'. If you would like to take an active part on behalf of St Richard's, further details are available by email from david.williams1945@gmail.com

Hog Roast: As part of Pagham's Harvest Celebration, we are holding a HOG ROAST at Copyhold Farm, Lagness, PO21 1LN, from **16:00** on **Saturday 20th September**. Hog Roast (vegetarian option available), followed by Autumn Dessert - Tickets are £10 per adult (under 16's free). If you would like to attend, please email stthomaspagham@gmail.com or speak to Trudi 07703597353

Coffee, Cake & Conversation: Saturday 27th September, 10:30am–12 noon in the Mosse Hall. We look forward to seeing you there. If you are able to host an event in the future, please contact Jayne Foulks: 07890 266404.

Quiz Night: Saturday 27th September, 6 for 6.30pm to 9.30pm in the Mosse Hall. £10 per person to include supper. Sign-up sheets will be available at the services on Sunday or email the Parish mailbox to book your places: strichardsaldwick@gmail.com

SUPPORT FOR THE FOODBANK IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER.



Urgently needed this week: Tinned fruit, tinned puddings, tinned vegetables, tinned/packet soups, toilet rolls. **We have plenty of:** pulses.