

Newsletter for week commencing 21 September 2025

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

COLLECT:

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SERVICES

Sunday 21 September 2025: All Saints Church: 9.30am Holy Communion, Readings: 2 Corinthians 4: 7-12, John 1: 1-14 Cafe Church, Dilton Marsh Memorial Hall: 9.45am, Holy Saviour, Westbury Leigh: 11am Morning Praise and Baptism

Readings: 1 Timothy 2:1-7, Luke 16: 1-13

Wednesday 24 September: 9.30am: First Steps, 11am: Holy Communion All Saints Church

AROUND THE TEAM

ADVERTISING THE TEAM VICAR ROLE

The advert for our new Team Vicar in the White Horse Team has now been advertised. Please advertise this amongst any clergy family or friends. We would like this to be widely advertised, as we pray for the right person to apply.

Prayer during the vacancy:

Gracious God, you are with us always. We thank you for guiding us by your Spirit, Through our life together as church. We thank you for the ministry of Caroline, and pray for your blessing on her. We pray that we may hear your voice in this time of vacancy. Give us patience, vision and courage as we seek a new priest and as we seek to make Jesus known in our communities, so that all may flourish and grow, seeking God's kingdom in the here and now. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Zara as she is baptised at Holy Saviour on Sunday, 21 September at 11am, for her family and godparents as they join us. For all our Harvest services taking place this month and for our farmers and all who work on the land. Please pray especially for Lindsay Clough, the new Headteacher at Westbury Junior School, that she may make a good start to her new role in our church school. Please also pray for the children of Lime Class, Dilton March School as they begin their school journey.

Anniversary of Ordination: This month, on the Feast of Michaelmas, 29th September, both Revd Rebecca and Revd Margaret will be celebrating their 30th anniversary of ordination as deacons. Rebecca was ordained in Gloucester Cathedral on this day in 1995 and Margaret at Salisbury Cathedral. We give thanks to God for many years of Christian ministry. Please pray for us both as we continue to serve God and his people and for his sustaining over this time.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

All those who hold any role in our churches such as sides persons, welcomers, serving refreshments after services, working with children or vulnerable adults, are required to undertake basic and foundation levels safeguarding training. This can be done online through the Church of England training portal and if you are able to access this, please speak to Yvette Croft, Dilton parish safeguarding officer and she can provide you with the details.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING IN OUR CHURCHES

We shall be collecting items of non-perishable food to give to the Westbury Food Bank, please bring along something to contribute. **All Saints: Sunday 28 September at 10am:** We are inviting our local uniformed organisations to join us for this service. **The Tin Church, Brokerswood: Wednesday 1 October at 5pm with Bishop Andrew:** The Bishop will be blessing the new work on the tower and the bell during this service. Followed by light refreshments.

Holy Trinity Dilton Marsh: Sunday 5 October at 9.30am: We are asking for cereals, grains and pulses to be given to the Food Bank. You will have the opportunity during the service to bring up any gifts. Followed by a 'bring and share' lunch.

NEWS FROM ALL SAINTS

Tea, Cake and Company: This month will be on Tuesday 23rd from 3-4pm at All Saints Church. All welcome. **TIME TO REMEMBER SERVICE: Sunday 26 October at 3pm**. The service will be held at All Saints Church, Westbury. **CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL WEEKEND:** The festival will take place at All Saints Church from **5 – 7 December**. If you can help out at the festival, please contact Debbie on 07763323475.

SPONSOR A KEY - ORGAN APPEAL: Please help us to raise £8,000 to restore the organ in All Saints Church. Anyone giving £10 to sponsor a key will also receive a badge to show that they are supporting the organ. You can sponsor a manual key for £10 or a pedal note for £15. To sign up please email: wcw2@whtministry.org.uk. You can also donate by using the QR code:



KEEP THE FLAG FLYING: Can you help us to keep the flag flying? The flag on the tower is over 3 years old and is looking tatty. The cost of a new one is over £300. All donations gratefully received. You can use this this link to donate: https://givealittle.co/c/hsH7EH7P5VMvwQcuIodWs

WESTBURY PARISH PRAYER DIARY

We seek to make Jesus known in Westbury by being a confident, joyful and prayerful community.

22nd That God may call new people to share in our mission, outreach and ministry in our parish: that they may grow and flourish.

23rd For all who serve as sides persons in our parish: that they may offer a warm welcome and hospitality to all who come among us.

24th For the growing sense of community in our churches: that we may love one another as Christ loves us.

25th For diligence and compassion for all those in leadership roles in our parish.

26th For our prayer network, all who lead prayers of intercession and all who pray with us and for us.

28th For good stewardship of our finances, buildings, land and fabric; for all of us who share in this responsibility.

NEWS FROM THE PEWS AT HOLY TRINITY

SATURDAY 4 OCTOBER: Monthly coffee morning and tabletop sale at Holy Trinity.

SUNDAY 5 October: Holy Trinity Flower Festival weekend. Look out for more details in the Parish Magazine, posters around the village, and our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/htc.diltonmarsh/

COFFEE AT THE WEAVERS: Members of Holy Trinity Church and friends meet at The Weavers for tea, coffee, cake and chat. Do come along and join us, all welcome! Every Wednesday 10.30am to noon. We look forward to seeing you.

COMMUNITY BLESSINGS: At Holy Trinity Church we pray regularly for our local community. During September we are particularly praying for those living or working in Lansdown Close and Fairways.

HOLY TRINITY PASTORAL CARE AND SUPPORT: Do you need some support? If you would like a chat, prayers, spiritual, pastoral or practical support, please do call a member of the

Holy Trinity Ministry or Pastoral Care Team. Our Lay Pastoral Assistants can visit you and, if requested, give Home Communion. For a visit, please contact Rev'd Rebecca Harris.

We also have a Prayer Chain, which is completely confidential. You can ask for prayers for yourself or, with their permission, for your family and friends. For prayers, please contact Sue Stanley suestanley.whtministry@gmail.com

LITTLE LIGHTS: Little Lights Stay and Play is held on **Thursdays** at West End Baptist Church, Westbury, **1pm-2.30pm** (term time only). This group is for babies, toddlers and pre-school with their parents/carers/childminders.

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday 28 September 2025

All Saints Church: 8am Holy Communion,

Readings: 1 Timothy 6: 6-19, Luke 16: 19-end Holy Trinity Church: : 9.30am 2 Corinthians 4: 7-12, John 1: 1-14

All Saints Church: 10am Harvest Thanksgiving and Parade Service

Readings: Matthew 13: 1-9, 18 - 23

Wednesday 1 October - 9.30am: First Steps, 11am: Holy Communion Chantry Court,

5pm: Harvest Thanksgiving at Brokerswood

Visit of Bishop Moses and Mama Rejoice to the Heytesbury Deanery

We are welcoming Bishop Moses and his wife Mama Rejoice to our parishes during their visit to the Deanery in October. On Wednesday 8th at 2.30pm, Mama Rejoice will be joining the meeting of the Westbury and Dilton Marsh Mothers Union at the Parish Hall, Westbury. On Thursday 9th Bishop Moses and his wife will be at the Minster in Warminster for midday prayers. Lunch will be served afterwards. There is no charge for the lunch but a donation at the end would be appreciated. Please contact our Maridi representative Anne Thompson to book your place on 01373825838.

Also on Thursday 9th, Bishop Moses and Mama Rejoice will be visiting Holy Trinity, Dilton Marsh for a service of Celtic Evening Prayer at 4pm, at which Bishop Moses will give a short reflection. Please do come along. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Meeting of Greater Chapter

There will be a meeting of Greater Chapter for the Heytesbury Deanery on Saturday 4 October from 9.30 – 11.30am at Christ Church, Warminster. This is for all those who hold a licence or commissioning as a member of clergy, Licensed Lay Minister, Lay Pastoral Assistant or Lay Worship Leader. The Archdeacon of Wiltshire will be attending and will address us. There will be worship and discussion in groups. If anyone would like a lift, please be in touch with Rebecca.

WHITE HORSE TEAM CONTACT DETAILS

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Office Operating Times: Monday 9.30am - 2pm; Tuesday 9.30 am - 12 noon; Thursday 9.30 am - 2.30pm