



14th September 2025
13th Sunday after Trinity
Holy Cross Day



9.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Holy Communion

Welcome to everyone who is able to worship in church today and those who are joining us via Zoom using the following information

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To follow the service please find the service sheets here:

[https://www.brindlestjames.co.uk/Groups/355120/Service Sheets and.aspx](https://www.brindlestjames.co.uk/Groups/355120/Service%20Sheets%20and%20.aspx)



'All things come from you
and of your own do we
give you.'

Collect

Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world
to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your
love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy
Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Pastoral Team If you are feeling in need of support or have concerns about anyone else in our church family, we can arrange a phone call, a visit or offer home communion. Contact Jon, the churchwardens, or Lynn on 01772 323267

Our next coffee afternoon in church is on
Thursday 18th September
1.30 – 3pm . **Come on your own
or bring a friend.** All welcome



Usual pattern of Services

1st Sunday 10.30am Holy Communion
10.20am Sunday School
& Sunday Youth
2nd Sunday 9.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Holy Communion
2nd Wednesday 6.30pm Praise Service
3rd Sunday 10.30am Holy Communion
10.20am Sunday School
& Sunday Youth
4th Sunday 9.00am Service of the Word
10.30am Holy Communion
4th Wednesday 6.30pm Praise Service
5th Sunday 10.30am Holy Communion
Parade service as arranged

PLEASE NOTE The changes to the weekly Wednesday Praise Services have come into effect so this month: 10th and 24th **September**

From The Word

1 Corinthians 1:18-24

The cross is the power of God

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scholar? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of the proclamation, to save those who believe.

For Jews ask for signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

New Revised Standard Version

Would you like to join the choir?



Christmas is coming with all the lovely music that goes with it.

There could be no better time to join our choir and learn it with

us. We would welcome both ladies and gentlemen to join our adult voices - it's very satisfying to help lead the worship.

If you would like to give it a try, please contact Jon, Lucy or Shirley and they will introduce you to the other choir members.

We would love to welcome you.

Churchyard and Burial Ground of St James' Church, Brindle in the Diocese of Blackburn

TAKE NOTICE that the Parochial Church Council intends to carry out an inspection of the memorials and monuments in the whole of the churchyard and burial grounds, old and new, on a date or dates

not earlier than 31st August 2025.

The inspection is to identify defects or other possible sources of danger.

The responsibility to keep a grave safe lies with the owner of the grave, but the PCC has a duty to keep the churchyard and burial grounds reasonably safe for those who visit it.

Where defects or possible dangers are found, the PCC will take steps to remedy or safeguard the same, where possible, by the use of hazard tape, support or by other means.

If the danger is significant and steps are urgently required to make the area safe, in the last resort, the memorial may be laid flat.

Queries, or any objection to the proposed work in regard to a particular memorial monument, should be notified urgently to Roger Parr

(rogerparr10@aol.com) or

Elaine Courtney (elaine@drcourtney.co.uk), Churchwardens.

Julia Dixon. Secretary to the PCC

Date: 3rd August 2025

Supporting your church financially

If you prefer a bank transfer or standing order:

Payee: St. James Church Brindle
40-37-25 71898175

If you prefer to pay by card:

There is a contactless machine in church.

All cash and regular envelope giving contributions are also received with gratitude in church. If you use an envelope from your pew you can complete it to gift aid.

Gift Aid @ 25% makes a massive difference!

Every £1 you donate is then worth £1.25

£10 is worth £12.50

To make this easier you could just complete a Gift Aid form once. These are located at the back of church or ask one of the wardens. Whichever method you choose your generosity is much appreciated.

Thank you

Over Darwen Food Bank

Please continue to donate whatever you are able to keep the food bank running. Not every one can fill a carrier bag, but **Could you bring a can?**

If we could all bring a can to whichever service we attend there would be almost 200 tins of food each week for the food bank.

Donations are taken by volunteers to Over Darwen each Saturday morning.

If you would like to support the Food Bank and it is more convenient to you, their PCC will be pleased to accept cash donations by bank transfer. The bank details are:- Sort code 20 09 72 Account number 70697818.

HARVEST SUPPER and PRODUCE AUCTION



in aid of Brindle St James and Farmers' Charity ROBI

Saturday 4th October 6pm

Brindle Community Hall

Supper of pie, peas and pudding

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Adults £10 Under 12s £6

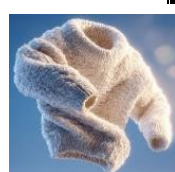
Join us for an evening of fun, food and community spirit

If you are willing to donate produce or any items for the auction would you please sign up on the list at the back of church.



Anything from jam to jumpers!

Thank you for your generosity.



A SCARECROW COMPETITION

will run in the village during the two weeks prior to the Harvest Supper.

Please continue to page 3 for details on how to take part

Would you like to see the sell-out show

GLADIATORS LIVE?

Well here's your chance!

Brindle St James Fundraising Raffle

1st prize: Premium ticket for 4 people to see

Gladiators Live

at Manchester AO Arena

on Sunday 23rd November 2025.

Tickets £1 each.

Available on request in church or contact

lynndavepacker@hotmail.co.uk or

elaine@drcourtney.com

Proceeds in support of Brindle St James

If you would like to know more about what is happening at Brindle St James go to
achurchnearyou.com/church/11478/news/
where there is a wealth of information and a huge selection of photos.

Use this contact to view the September edition of Brindle Voice

Please continue to page 3.....

ARE YOU ENTERING OUR SCARECROW COMPETITION?

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- 1** Email your name, address, telephone number to Elaine
elaine@drcourtney.co.uk
- 2** You will be given an entry number.
- 3** Make and display your scarecrow before Saturday 20th September with your entry number clearly displayed.
- 4** Entries from outside the map boundary should be displayed in The Pound, corner of Smithy Lane and Sandy Lane.

TO VIEW THE SCARECROWS

Pick up a map in church or check out our social media

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

Judging takes place on Sunday 21st September.

Scarecrows will be photographed to display on our social media and at the Harvest Supper and Produce Auction.

The winner will be announced at the Harvest Supper on Saturday 4th October.

PLEASE JOIN IN THE FUN

and make time to view the scarecrows.

