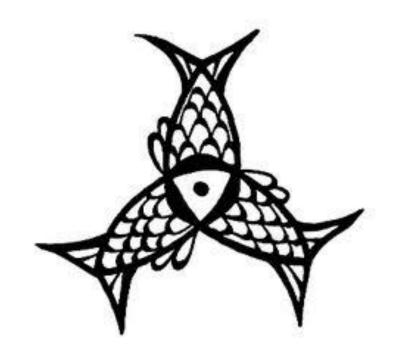
The Parish Church of St John the Baptist, Beeston

PARISH EUCHARIST



The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
Sunday 21st September 2025
10am

WELCOME TO ST JOHN'S

You are very welcome here as you join us in worship. Instructions are provided as to when you may wish to stand or remain seated, but if it is more comfortable for you to remain seated, please do so.

As you prepare for worship, please be sensitive to the needs of those around you who may wish to pray quietly. Please switch off mobile telephones or put on silent.

If you are a newcomer please take note of the position of the exits. There are the doors at the rear where you came in and also fire exits towards the front left-hand side of the church. In the event of an emergency, stewards will direct you to the nearest exit and give assembly point details.

Toilet facilities are available towards the back of church.

Please join as for refreshments at the back of church after the service.

If would like more information about our church please speak to the Vicar or one of the stewards. Information can also be found on our website: www.beestonparishchurch.co.uk, and our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/beestonparishchurch.

Photographs and Videos

Please refrain from taking pictures or videos during the service.

Communion - We will be offering communion in both kinds (bread and wine) We have decided not to allow people to intinct (dip) any consecrated wafers into wine. We will simply be offering the opportunity for those who wish to to drink from the chalice (communion cup) in the normal way. Please come up for communion as normal, receive the bread and return to your place if you do not wish to drink from the chalice.

If you would prefer to receive a prayer of blessing, please do come forward and hold your hands by your side, or carry a service sheet, to indicate this to the priest.

If you are unable to come forward to receive communion, please advise a steward or member of clergy and communion will be brought to you in your place.

Gluten free wafers are available; please indicate to the priest as you go up to receive communion if this is your preference.

Financial Support

There will be no offertory collection during the service, but there will be a plate by the door on leaving church at which you are invited to make a donation. If you're able to give a gift, one way to give is via our CAF Online Giving page. This can be accessed via

https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/16013 or via the QR code below. We are grateful to all who are able to support our mission and ministry. Additionally, there is now a contactless giving machine at the back of church available for your use.





ORDER OF SERVICE

The President is Reverend Monika Doering and the Preacher is Dr Jem Bloomfield.

GATHERING

All stand to sing the **PROCESSIONAL HYMN** (HON 167) when announced.

For the beauty of the earth For the beauty of the skies, For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies.

Lord of all, to thee we raise, This our sacrifice of praise.

For the beauty of each hour, Of the day and of the night, Hill and vale, and tree and flow'r, Sun and moon, and stars of light.

- For the joy of human love,
 Brother, sister, parent, child,
 Friends on earth and friends above,
 Pleasures pure and undefiled.
 - 4 For each perfect gift of Thine,
 To our race so freely giv'n,
 Graces human and divine,
 Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n.
 - For thy Church which evermore Lifteth holy hands above, Off'ring up on ev'ry shore Her pure sacrifice of love:

GREETING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

The Priest welcomes the congregation and introduces the service.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

A minister introduces the confession

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin and turn to the Lord, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed,

through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name.

Amen.

The Priest says the absolution, proclaiming God's forgiveness and all respond Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

THE COLLECT

The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer and then says the prayer of the day.

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.

All Amen.

All sit for the reading.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING: 1 Timothy 2.1-7

Read by Emily Marina

A reading from the first letter of Paul to Timothy

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

All stand. During the **HYMN** (HON 376) please turn to face the Gospel as it is processed into the congregation. Remain standing for the Gospel Reading.

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, My God and King!
The heav'ns are not too high,
His praise may thither fly,
The earth is not too low,
His praises there may grow.
Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing,
My God and King!

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, My God and King!
The church with psalms must shout, No door can keep them out;
But, above all, the heart
Must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, My God and King!

GOSPEL: Luke 16.1-13

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

Alleluia...

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

This is the gospel of the Lord. Alleluia...

The Gospel procession returns to the altar. Please sit at the invitation of the preacher.

SERMON Dr Jem Bloomfield

All stand for THE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION led by Ian Thomson

Please sit to pray. One of these responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy or Lord, hear us

All Hear our prayer. All Lord, graciously hear us.

At the end

Merciful Father

All accept these prayers

for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

THE PEACE

The Priest invites the congregation to stand and introduces the Peace.

lesus said:

'Love one another.

As I have loved you,

so you are to love one another.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

You are invited to greet those near to you with an appropriate sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN (AM 741 t. Londonderry Air)

O Christ the same, through all our story's pages, our loves and hopes, our failures and our fears; eternal Lord, the King of all the ages, unchanging still, amid the passing years:

O living Word, the source of all creation, who spread the skies, and set the stars ablaze, O Christ the same, who wrought our whole salvation, we bring our thanks for all our yesterdays.

O Christ the same, the friend of sinners, sharing our inmost thoughts, the secrets none can hide, still as of old upon your body bearing the marks of love, in triumph glorified:

O Son of Man, who stooped for us from heaven,

O Prince of life, in all your saving power,

O Christ the same, to whom our hearts are given, we bring our thanks for this the present hour.

O Christ the same, secure within whose keeping our lives and loves, our days and years remain, our work and rest, our waking and our sleeping, our calm and storm, our pleasure and our pain:

O Lord of love, for all our joys and sorrows, for all our hopes, when earth shall fade and flee, O Christ the same, beyond our brief tomorrows, we bring our thanks for all that is to be.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

The Priest says

Jesus, true vine and bread of life, ever giving yourself that the world might live, let us share your death and passion: make us perfect in your love.

All Amen.

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THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Remain standing as the Priest says

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

The Priest praises God for his mighty acts and all respond

All Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

The Priest recalls the Last Supper and all respond

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

The Prayer continues and all respond

... all honour and glory be yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

All sit. Silence is kept.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rejoicing in God's new creation, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name;

thy kingdom come;

thy will be done;

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation;

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

The Agnus Dei is sung

All Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

The Priest invites the people to receive communion.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Please come forward to receive communion if you wish. If you would prefer not to receive communion, you are warmly encouraged to come forward for a prayer of blessing; please hold your hands by your side or carry a service sheet so the Priest knows you'd like a prayer rather than communion.

Communion is offered in both kinds, bread and wine, but if you'd prefer to take a consecrated wafer and not receive from the communion cup, then you're welcome to do so. Please refrain from drinking the consecrated wine if you have any cold or flu symptoms or are feeling unwell.

The body of Christ.

All Amen.

The blood of Christ.

All Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN (HON 451)

My God, and is thy table spread, and does thy cup with love o'erflow? Thither be all thy children led, and let them all thy sweetness know.

Hail, sacred feast, which Jesus makes!
Rich banquet of his flesh and blood!
Thrice happy all, who here partake that sacred stream, that heav'nly food.

What wondrous love! What perfect grace, for Jesus, our exalted host, invites us to this special place who offer least and need the most.

O let thy table honoured be, and furnished well with joyful guests; and may each soul salvation see, that here its sacred pledges tastes.

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.

All Amen.

Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Remain seated for the Notices.

Following the notices, all stand for **THE BLESSING**

Through the tender compassion of our God may the dawn from on high break upon you and guide your feet into the way of peace. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Remain standing for the **RECESSIONAL HYMN** (HON 281). Please turn to face the back of church as the procession withdraws.

How shall I sing that majesty which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie; sing, sing, ye heav'nly choir.
Thousands of thousand stand around thy throne,
O God most high; ten thousand times ten thousand sound thy praise; but who am I?

Thy brightness unto them appears, whilst I thy footsteps trace; a sound of God comes to my ears, but they behold thy face.

They sing because thou art their Sun;
Lord, send a beam on me;

Lord, send a beam on me; for where heav'n is but once begun there alleluias be.

How great a being, Lord, is thine, which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line to sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore, a sun without a sphere; thy time is now and evermore, thy place is ev'rywhere.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Today 6:30pm Taizé Service

Wednesday 24th 10am Eucharist

Sunday 28th 8am Eucharist

10am Parish Eucharist

Prayers: Please keep those who are unwell, including Father Michael Taylor, Brenda Smith, Christine Morris, Agnes Banner, Sally Baldock, Ben and Sophie Sanderson, Eileen Bramley, Beverley Gray, Baby Jack Barnard and family, John Lowe, Carleen Lowe, Des Millar, Paul Smith, Gerri Cooke, David Cooke, David Shaw, Joseph Dackombe, Baby George Smith and Carol Costello in your prayers. Please also remember those who died recently, as well as all those who mourn.

NOTICES

First Aid: We are aware that we need to train up some more first aiders for our various groups in church. In the meantime, it would be great to know whether there are folks in the congregation who have recognised first aid training. If you do, and it's in date, please let either Kathryn or Father Wayne know.

MacMillan Coffee Morning: We will be hosting a coffee morning in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support on Thursday 25th September. I 0am to 12pm. Please come along!

IF YOU ARE NEW to St John's or even if you have been attending for a little while, we would like to welcome you with coffee and cake on **Saturday 4**th **October between 10 am and midday**. This will be a chance to meet a few people informally, find out a little about the church, climb the bell tower (from the inside!), discover who's who, what we do and ask questions if you want. There is no need to book a place, just turn up. We're looking forward to meeting you.

Sequence Dancing/Ceilidh: We are delighted to welcome Sharron Moncaster from Dancing Feet School of Dance to teach/host an evening of dance on Saturday 18th October from 7pm to 10pm. There is no entrance fee but we will be receiving donations to support the work of Water Aid on the door (we suggest £5-£10 per person, depending on your circumstances). To register your interest please contact Reverend Monika Doering on 07930 679806 or monikadoering72@gmail.com

Thank you to all who supported my recent coffee morning. The total raised for the British Heart Foundation reached £631.55 Thank you for your generosity. *Cynthia Valentine-Comery*

ARK Youth Group - We need you!

Our ARK youth group is thriving, but we have lost a number of leaders over the last 18 months and we are struggling to run all of the sessions. We are looking for volunteers to join our team to help support our young people's journey in faith, from Sunday morning teaching to Sunday evening fun and games. For more information please chat to Katy McBurnie or another member of the team.

Teams4U Christmas Shoeboxes

Apologies for using the C word in September... but now is a great time to start collecting things for the Teams4U Christmas Shoebox appeal. This year, in addition to the option to create your own shoebox, we are also going to have a collection box where you can donate items and we will make them up into shoeboxes - whether it's wrapped soap from a recent hotel stay, or stationery items in the sale. I will put a list of items with the box at the back of church from next Sunday.

Thank you for your continued support. Katy McBurnie

Eco Corner: Second Hand September III - Mend and Repurpose: When most people finish with their clothing they donate it to a charity shop so it can at least have a second life and make some money for the charity, however this isn't altogether a perfect solution.

When an item is left at a charity shop it too has a short shelf life of only 5 or 6 weeks. If an item is left unsold it can end up in landfill along with household waste. In fact a staggering 73% of clothes sent to charities and textile sorters worldwide ends up in landfill or incinerated - that equates to 82 million pounds in the UK alone.

As we touched on in the previous week one way to extend the life of our favourite clothes is visible mending. This is a creative practice which can give your clothes a second life and make a unique piece at the same time. Making teaches us to value objects and materials, and slow stitching is meditative and reflective in this fast paced world. You also don't have to be an expert. If you think 'Is it ok to mend it myself?' then just go ahead and do it.

There will be no offertory collection during the service, but there will be a plate by the door on leaving church at which you are invited to make a donation. If you're able to give a gift, one way to give is via our **CAF Online Giving page**. This can be accessed via

https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/16013 or via the **QR code below**. Alternatively, you can make a donation directly to our bank account, number 50149438, sort code 40-10-06. We are grateful to all who are able to support our mission and ministry at this difficult time.

We now have a **contactless giving box** on one of the tables at the back of church. It is very simple to use, with onscreen instructions. You can use either a credit of debit card. Although the machine is set up for a **£6 donation**, you have the option to raise or lower it at your discretion.

Please can we also draw your attention to the **Gift Aid forms and envelopes**, available at the back of church? If you are a tax payer, you are able to Gift Aid any donations made, which means we will receive **25% more than the donation amount**. So, for example, should you donate £10, the church will automatically receive an extra £2.50 via Gift Aid. The Gift Aid we receive really does make a big difference, so we would appreciate you signing up for this.

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Please remember to take this order of service with you. You may wish to look over the readings and notices again.

Once you have finished with it, we would encourage you to recycle it.





It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning and you're invited

Let's do whatever it takes to support people living with cancer.

Place: Beeston Parish Church

Date: Thursday 25th September

Time: 10am-12pm

Contact:









An evening of

Sequence Dancing

at St John's Beeston Saturday 18 Oct 2025 7-10pm

taught by **Sharron Moncaster**from Dancing Feet School of Dance,
Examiner and Fellow Member of the IDTA,
in support of





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Regular Church Services

Sundays 8am Said Eucharist

10am Sung Eucharist & Sunday School

Wednesdays I0am Said Eucharist

Every Ist Sunday 6:30pm BCP Evening Prayer

Every 3rd Sunday 6:30pm Taizé Service

Every Ist Tuesday 2pm 'Green Pastures'

Dementia Friendly Service

Regular Church Groups/Activities

Tuesdays (Term time) 9:30am ABC2 Baby and Toddler Group

Thursdays I 0am Coffee Stop

Every 3rd Thursday 4:30pm Julian Prayer Group

Every Friday 7:25pm Choir Practice

Every Ist, 3rd & 4thSunday I 0am Youth Group

Every 2nd Sunday 6pm Youth Group

Open Door

We aim to open on Wednesdays, following the 10am Eucharist until 12pm