*Parish of Curdworth, Middleton and Wishaw*

# NEWSLETTER

Sundays 7th and 14th September 2025

**12th and 13th Sundays after Trinity**

Welcome to this edition of the Newsletter



**Sund**[**ay 7th Sep**](https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-sa/3.0/)**tember – 12th Sunday after Trinity**

* All Age Worship at **9.30am** at **St Chad’s, Wishaw –** The Rector
* Holy Communion at **11.15am** at **St Nicholas, Curdworth –** Rev James Parry
* Service of the Word at **11.15am** at **St John’s, Middleton –** Mr Andrew Farrow

**Sunday 14th September – 13th Sunday after Trinity**

* Holy Communion at **9.30am** at **St Chad’s, Wishaw –** Rev James Parry
* Family Communionat **11.15am** at **St Nicholas’, Curdworth –** The Rector • HARVEST FESTIVAL at **3.00pm** at **St John’s, Middleton**

**Sunday 21st September – 14th Sunday after Trinity**

* Family Communion at **9.30am** at **St Chad’s, Wishaw –**  Rev James Parry
* Service of the Word for HARVEST at **11.15am** at **St Nicholas’, Curdworth –** Mrs Lisa Wilcox
* Holy Communion at **11.15am** at **St John’s, Middleton –** Rev Canon Frank Longbottom

**Sunday 28th September – 15th Sunday after Trinity**

* Holy Communion at **10.30am** at **St Chad, Wishaw –** The Bishop of Aston

**DIARY**

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| **Date** | **Time** | **Event** | **Note** |
| **Sunday 7th Sept**  **Trinity 12** Proper 18  **Green** | **9.30am**  **11.15am**  **11.15am** | **All Age Worship**  **Holy Communion**  **Service of the Word** | **St Chad’s, Wishaw**  **St Nicholas’, Curdworth**  **St John’s, Middleton** |
| Tuesday 9th | 7.30pm | Wishaw DCC | The Cock Inn at Wishaw |
| Wednesday 10th | 7.15pm | Choir Practice | Curdworth Church Hall |
| Thursday 11th | 10.30am | Wishaw Community Coffee  Morning | St Chad’s Church |
| **Sunday 14th**  **Trinity 13** Proper 19  Holy Cross Day  **Green** | **9.30am**  **11.15am**  **3.00pm** | **Holy Communion**  **Family Communion**  **HARVEST FESTIVAL** | **St Chad’s, Wishaw**  **St Nicholas’, Curdworth**  **St John’s, Middleton** |
| Monday 15th | 7.45pm | Parochial Church Council | Curdworth Church Hall |
| Wednesday 17th | 1.45pm  7.15pm | Women’s Guild  Choir Practice | Curdworth Church Hall |
| **Sunday 21st**  **Trinity 14** Proper 20  **Green** | **9.30am**  **11.15am**  **11.15am** | **Family Communion**  **Harvest Serv of the Word**  **Holy Communion** | **St Chad’s, Wishaw**  **St Nicholas’, Curdworth**  **St John’s, Middleton** |
| Wednesday 24th | 7.15pm | Choir Practice | Curdworth Church Hall |
| **Sunday 28th**  **Trinity 15** Proper 21  **Green** | **10.30am** | **Holy Communion**  **BISHOP OF ASTON** | **St Chad’s, Wishaw** |
| Wednesday 1st  October | 7.15pm | Choir Practice | Curdworth Church Hall |
| Saturday 4th | 7.30pm | HARVEST SUPPER | Wishaw Golf Club |
| **Sunday 5th**  **Trinity 16** Proper 22  **Green** | **9.30am**  **11.15am**  **11.15am** | **All Age Worship /Harvest**  **Holy Communion**  **Service of the Word** | **St Chad’s, Wishaw St Chad’s, Wishaw**  **St John’s, Middleton** |

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**WISHAW COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING**

**The next Coffee Morning will be on**

**Thursday 11th August**

**10.30am- 12 noon**

**St Chad’s Church, Wishaw**

**Join us for coffee and homemade cakes – all welcome!**

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY……………**

**Harvest Supper ……4th October at Wishaw Golf Club**

**Quiz Night ……8th November at Grounds Farm**

**Spring Fair…..17th May 2026 at Wishaw Church and grounds**



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| **Morning Prayer**  **Rev James Parry** will be leading Morning Prayer at **9.00am** every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, beginning on:   * Wednesday 10th September at St Chad’s Wishaw, * Thursday 11th at St John’s Middleton and * Tuesday 16th at St Nicholas’ Curdworth and so on. The services will be quite short – around 20 minutes – a calm and peaceful interval in the day. |



We are very privileged to welcome

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ishop Esther

to our parish

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**Sunday 2**

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The service

that day will be at

**10.30**

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**, Wishaw.**

**Please make a note of the date, time and place and make it priority to be there.**

**Refreshments to follow the service**



Finance – Here are the bank details for each church for your reference:

St Nicholas’: 30-92-75 00610273 (PCC of St Nicholas Curdworth)

St John’s: 05-09-42 57896460 (St John the Baptist PCC)

St Chad’s: 30-98-37 00152981 (Parochial Church Council Wishaw)

The Newsletter – if you would like anything added to the Newsletter, here are the details you need: margaret\_allen69@yahoo.co.uk 07778 The service wil 458 789 or n.w.phillips@live.com 07498 262

**PRAYER LIST**



**Please remember in your prayers** all who are sick and those who mourn the loss of a loved one.

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| **Prayers for the sick** |  |
| **Curdworth** | Roy Allen *Barbara Blaber* Sharon Brown  Sandra Bullivant Louise Christoforou Adrian Cionnagh  Chrissy Dance *Claire Eldridge Jean Eldridge*  *Amanda Emerson* Richard HabgoodBarbara IngramCaroline Lee *Isabella Murphy Kayla Norman Helen Parry* Jenny Phillips Tim Rawson Ellie Reeves Sue Shelley *Cathy Smith Cody Smith Clare Tillson Philip Walsh* Betty Waters *Peter Wiggins* Barry Wiltshire |
| **Middleton** | Jo’anne Cole *Peter Hancock Jean Nixon*  *Alan Cochran* |
| **Wishaw** | Colin Philpott Joyce Simmons Margaret Turner |
| **For the departed** | Barbara Thomas |

**Readings for Sunday7th September 2025**

**Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**

## The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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.**

## The Old Testament Reading

*is from the book of the prophet Jeremiah chapter 18*

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The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: ‘Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.’ 3So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel. 4The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. 5 6

Then the word of the LORD came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the LORD. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. 7At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, 8but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. 9

And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, 10but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. 11 Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the LORD: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## The New Testament Reading

*is from the letter to Philemon chapter 1* 1

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, 2to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house:

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Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 4 5

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. 6I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. 7I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. 8

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, 9yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love – and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. 10I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. 11Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. 12I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. 13I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; 14but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. 15Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, 16no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother – especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. 17

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. 18

If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. 19I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. 20Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. 21Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than

I say.

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

## The Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Luke 14.25-33* 25

Large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, 26

‘Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. 27

Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. 28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? 29Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, 30saying, “This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.” 31

Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? 32If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. 33

So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.’

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

### Post Communion

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing:

grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Readings for Sunday 14th 2025 Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

**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.

**Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading**

*is from the book of the prophet chapter 4*

At that time this people and Jerusalem will be told, “A scorching wind from the barren heights in the desert blows towards my people, but not to winnow or cleanse; a wind too strong for that comes from me. Now I pronounce my judgments against them.”

“My people are fools; they do not know me.

They are senseless children; they have no understanding.

They are skilled in doing evil;

they know not how to do good.” I looked at the earth, and it was formless and empty; and at the heavens, and their light was gone. I looked at the mountains, and they were quaking; all the hills were swaying. I looked, and there were no people; every bird in the sky had flown away. I looked, and the fruitful land was a desert; all its towns lay in ruins before the LORD, before his fierce anger.

This is what the LORD says:

“The whole land will be ruined, though I will not destroy it completely. Therefore the earth will mourn

and the heavens above grow dark,

because I have spoken and will not relent,

I have decided and will not turn back.”

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

**New Testament Reading**

*is from the first letter to Timothy chapter 1* 12

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, 13even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, 14and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 15The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the foremost. 16But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. 17To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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

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*Luke 15.1-10* 1 2

All the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, ‘This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.’ 3 4

So he told them this parable: ‘Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? 5When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. 6And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, “Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.” 7Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. 8

Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? 9When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, “Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.” 10Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.’

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

### Post Communion

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**