

Newsletter for week commencing 7th September 2025

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY COLLECT

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SERVICES:

ALL SAINTS CHURCH:9.30am Holy Communion

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
9.30 AM Praise and Worship

READINGS: Philemon 1-21, Luke 14: 25-33

TUESDAY 9 September: 2.30pm Westbury Area Churches Town Prayers will be held at All Saints Church **WEDNESDAY 10 September:** 9.30am First Steps at All Saints, 11am Holy Communion at Chantry Court

AROUND THE TEAM

IN OUR PRAYERS: Please pray for our new Team Administrator, Sharon Waggott, as she begins her new role with us this month. We also pray for Helen who is getting baptised at All Saints on 14 September, and for her family and friends as they join us that Sunday.

We also 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.

For two couples getting married at All Saints, on Thursday 4th and Saturday 6th.

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.

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.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH EVENTS:

Quiz Night & Supper: Saturday 13 September: Memorial Hall: Join us for a sociable evening of questions and supper in aid of church funds. Doors open at 7pm and the quiz will start at 7.30pm. There will be a bar. Up to six people per table. Tickets £8 including a pasty. **Booking is essential,** please phone for details: Sonja 07974 236040 or Garth 01373 822414.

LITTLE LIGHTS

Little Lights Stay and Play has now resumed and 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.

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. If you cannot access this online, there is some in person training taking place on Friday, 12th September, from 1pm to 4pm at Christ Church, Warminster. Booking is required, so please contact Linda Smith on 01985 212138 or admin@christchurchwarminster.co.uk

On completion of the training, you will receive a certificate which you must show to Yvette.

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. **Holy Saviour: Sunday 14 September at 11am** including Holy Communion followed by refreshments.

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. This will be followed by a bring and share lunch.

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS

Wow! it is 25 years since Westbury Leigh Community Hall was established following the reordering of Holy Saviour church in 2000. There is a celebration taking place at the hall, on **Saturday 20 September.**

Cream Teas will be served **2pm-5pm**. This event is organised by Lily Munday & friends and is open to all. It would be lovely to see people from across our Team who have enjoyed visits, events and services there over the last 25 years.

A NOTE FROM SHARON WAGGOTT, OUR NEW TEAM ADMINISTRATOR: I am settling in well to my new role. I look forward to meeting with you at some stage. Meanwhile, I am based at the Parish Hall, Westbury, and am contactable on Monday and Tuesday (am) and on Thursdays between 9.30am & 3.30pm. You should continue to contact the Parish Office for appointments by email office@whtministry.org.uk or by phone on 01373 859450. Thank you for your ongoing support.

NEWS FROM ALL SAINTS:

TOWER TOURS: As part of the Chilli Fest taking place in Westbury on Saturday 20th September, All Saints is organising Tower Tours from 1pm to 4pm. If you have never been to the top of the tower at All Saints, then I would recommend it. On a clear day you can see for miles.

We shall be serving some refreshments, there will be some craft activities for children, while you wait, and you can also explore our beautiful Grade 1 listed building at the same time! All welcome.

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.

8th For our Director of Music, organists, choir, Musicians and all who lead us in the musical life of our churches

9th For our growing relationship with our brother and sisters in Christ in Westbury Area Churches Together: that we may collaborate in our mission and ministry in our town.

10th For all who car for and maintain our church buildings at All Saints, Holy Saviour, the parish hall and Westbury Leigh Community Hall

11th For our love for and care for God's creation and the environment in which we are set and for our involvement in Eco Church: that we may consider the environment as we plan our different activities.

12th For our Bishops, senior staff and all who serve us in the diocese of Salisbury and our Cathedral church.

13th For all who hold offices in our church: churchwardens, safeguarding officer, PCC members: that they may be faithful and diligent in their responsibilities.

14th For the local organisations with whom we work as we seek to reach out to the vulnerable and those in need in our town: the Town Council, Westbury Area Network, Food Bank and Crosspoint.

Saturday 13 September: All Saints Working Party - The next working party in All Saints church and churchyard will be next Saturday from 9.30 am - 1.00 pm. Please come prepared to do some cleaning or gardening. If gardening, please bring your own tools. Refreshments will be available.

Thursday18 September: Coffee Morning and Art Exhibition, 22 Petticoat Lane, DM, 10am-12.30. Fundraising for Holy Trinity and Westbury Food Bank.

Sunday, 5 October: Holy Trinity Flower Festival weekend. **Saturday 4 October:** Monthly coffee morning and tabletop sale at Holy Trinity.

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@qmail.com

The Holy Cross Sunday 14 September 2025

All Saints Church: 9.30am Holy Communion and Adult Baptism Holy Trinity Church: 9.30 am Holy Communion

Readings: Phillipians 2:6-11, John 3:13-17

Wednesday 17 September 9.30am: First Steps, 11am: Holy Communion Chantry Court

WHT COMMS TEAM

The email address for any church related news/events is: whtcomms@whtministry.org.uk This will reach: Isabel Osborne, Christian Way and Beth Thomas for the e-newsletter and Tess for the Holy Trinity Parish Magazine and the Team Office for the weekly newsletter.

Contact details for the White Horse Team Rector: Rev'd Rebecca Harris

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