



St Wilfrid's Church Brayton

Sunday 28th September 2025

Harvest Festival

Welcome to Holy Communion at St Wilfrid's

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Before our Service begins you are invited to join in a short time of quietness and reflection in preparation for worship. After the Service please join us for coffee and chat in the Parish Hall.



St Wilfrid's Website Link

Drama Reading. Tuesday 30th September, 7pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. We will read "The Village Fete" by Peter Tinniswood. A rather bawdy choice - so it should be great fun! **Helen**

Community Lunch.

Wednesday 1st October, 12noon-1:30pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. A simple lunch of soup, a bread roll, and desert for only £5. **Pat**

Beer and Banter. Monday 6th October, 7:30pm in the Swan. Young men! Your Parish needs you! Come along, and bond with fellow beer drinkers! **John C**

Craft Group Coffee Morning.

Saturday, 11th October, 10am to 11:30am, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. A warm welcome awaits you with company, tea, coffee and cakes. **June**

Tea@2. Thursday 16th October, 2pm-4pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. **Note the Change of Date.** An afternoon of coffee, tea, cake and chat. Tickets only £7. **Pat**

Churchyard Tidying.

Saturday, 25th October, 9:30am to 12noon, St Wilfrid's Churchyard. Come along and help keep the churchyard neat and tidy. **John**

Coffeemates. Wednesday 29th October, 10am to 12noon, St Wilfrid's Parish Hall. Enjoy good company plus coffee and cake! **Lynn**

St Wilfrid's Pastoral Care.

Contact Sue Beevers 01757 229515 (susan.beevers1@btinternet.com) if you know of anyone who is sick, in hospital, or in other need, or who would benefit from being visited by a member of the clergy or others in the Pastoral Team. **Sue**

Notes for the Diary.

The **Autumn Fair** is planned for Saturday 8th November, and on Saturday 15th November Chris Cade is back with his moving one-man play **Arthur Walker's Great War**. Also **Minced Pies & Mulled Wine** will be held in the Parish Hall this year, on the afternoon of Sunday 7th December. **Pat**

Safeguarding children and adults. We will take seriously any issues that arise, notifying & seeking advice from the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor where necessary. The Parish Safeguarding Representative is Linda Bunn, telephone 07711 384003, email safeguarding@stwilfridsparish.com. **Linda**

Help support St Wilfrid's!

There are many ways to support the work of St Wilfrid's: cash/cheques on the plate, envelopes, card machine in church, regular standing order, online bank donations, and legacies. We prefer regular monthly standing orders as these reduce the administration for Welcomers and the banking team. They also make reclaiming gift aid easier. Speak to treasurer Jill Clarke if you need more information. **Revd Glyn**

Services in St Wilfrid's Church from Monday 29th September:

Wednesday 1st October
9:30am Holy Communion

Sunday 5th October
16th Sunday after Trinity
10:30am Morning Prayer

Contributions. Send your items to me at magazine@stwilfridsparish.com by 9pm on the Tuesday. **John C**

COLLECT

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through 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.

FIRST READING Amos 6:1a. 4-7

A reading from the book of the prophet Amos.

Thus says the LORD, the God of hosts: Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria! Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Or Jeremiah 32:1-3a. 6-15

PSALM Psalm 146

R *The Lord shall reign for ever.*

Alleluia.
Praise the Lord, O my soul:
while I live will I praise the Lord;
as long as I have any being,
I will sing praises to my God.
Put not your trust in princes,
nor in any human power,
for there is no help in them.
When their breath goes forth, they return to the earth;
on that day all their thoughts perish. **R**

Happy are those who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the Lord their God;
Who made heaven and earth,
the sea and all that is in them;
who keeps his promise for ever;
Who gives justice to those that suffer wrong
and bread to those who hunger. **R**

The Lord looses those that are bound;
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind;

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
the Lord loves the righteous; **R**
The Lord watches over the stranger in the land; he upholds the orphan and widow; but the way of the wicked he turns upside down.
The Lord shall reign for ever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Alleluia. **R**

SECOND READING 1 Timothy 6:6-19

A reading from the first letter of Paul to Timothy.

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time – he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

GOSPEL Luke 16:19-end

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

Jesus told this parable to those among the Pharisees who loved money: "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' The man who had been rich said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house – for I have five brothers – that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' Abraham said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

POST COMMUNION

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy;
and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall,
keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful,
and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



The Lord shall reign for ev - er.