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## Endcliffe Parish Church of St Augustine

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*Welcoming all, Following Jesus, Growing together*



### SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER – TRINITY 13

10.30am Holy Communion led by Rt Revd Richard Blackburn

Work on the gatepost will commence this week probably Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>, Viv was given the wrong dates.

Although there will be vehicular access it will be somewhat restricted, so you are advised not to park at the back of church while the work is ongoing. It is expected to take three days. This will not affect weekends.

### READINGS – page numbers are for the pew bibles

First Reading Exodus 32:7–14 - page 87

Psalm 51:1-10 - page 562

Second Reading 1 Timothy 1; 12 - 17– page 228

Gospel Luke 15; 1 – 10- page 85

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 10.30am Coffee Morning at Cornerstone, Dyson Place

### Next Week

#### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September – Trinity 14

10.30am Holy Communion led by Revd Dr Ela Nutu Hall

### Advance notice

There will be no service on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September, due to the half marathon and 10k run restricting access to the building.

### A Poem to Ponder

OUR EYES FOR HIM ALONE

“And when the play is over  
And the lights go up” \* . . .

All eyes will be on the blazing glory  
of the One seated on the throne  
at the centre of the universe.

Our eyes will not be looking around us,  
not searching for those we have known and loved;  
only the love of the Beloved matters,  
and He is everything.

Our eyes receive the love in His eyes –  
the love which says, “Well done, My love.”  
Our eyes gaze into His and know  
the warmth of His embrace.

Our eyes shine with our undiluted worship  
and adoration of our Lord and Lover,  
and the beauty of being in His Presence

for ever.

*\*From 'Cloud of Witnesses' by Ann Lewin*

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Don't forget Joy Tobler has signed up for a 40 day challenge in aid of the charity FREEDOM FROM TORTURE. Her aim is to write a poem a day for the 40 days, beginning on September 1st. If you would like to see the poems as Joy goes along, click on the following link to her fundraising page: [FREEDOM FROM TORTURE: 40 Day Solidarity Challenge](#)

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### **Organ Fund**

Organ Pledge payments

For small donations (less than £50) please use the Sum-Up in church. For larger payments please use bank transfer.

If you have already set up a regular direct debit for the organ fund, could you ensure that you have the correct details, please and that your payment is marked with your family name and initial.

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Thanks to your generosity we have been able to pay the deposit from your pledge payments which means the church has been able to keep more money in our higher interest account so generating more for the organ fund.

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### **Eco Tips – Here are some ideas to help you make 'enjoying nature' more intentional in 2025**

Spend time in nature. Spending time appreciating God's creation can be an act of worship. Nature can be experienced when we notice an insect, hear a bird sing, feel the earth beneath our hands or even when we watch a documentary. There is strong evidence that nature is also good for our mental health. Try to immerse yourself in nature every day, even for just a few

minutes and give thanks to God for His good creation.

Further ideas can be found at <https://arocha.org.uk/ideas-to-enjoy-nature/>

Give thanks for God's provision. Pray for farmers in the UK struggling with climate change, finances and changes to inheritance tax rules. Thank God for the provision of fruit and produce from the orchard and allotment at Wolf Fields Nature Reserve, and for the time they have to bring people together to enjoy these. Pray that Arocha's "For the Love of Harvest" event on the 20 September will be a blessing and encouragement for all who attend as they learn about the vital connections between growing food and nurturing and working towards a more climate-resilient planet.

### **Eco Tips**

The Season of Creation (1 September – 4 October) is dedicated to God as the creator and sustainer of all life. During this period of the church calendar, many churches celebrate Harvest, thanking God for His provision through the land and food that is grown. It's a time when churches and congregations are called to pay special attention to the responsibility of humanity for the Earth and for all that lives upon it, and to pray for our world. Explore A Rocha UK's season of creation resources at: [arocha.org.uk/what-we-do/season-of-creation](https://arocha.org.uk/what-we-do/season-of-creation).

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If you want to book the hall please send an email to [staugustinessheffield.hall@gmail.com](mailto:staugustinessheffield.hall@gmail.com)

The main contact email for St Augustine's is now [staugustines.endcliffe@gmail.com](mailto:staugustines.endcliffe@gmail.com) which is monitored by Revd Ela Nutu Hall and Catherine Rooker-Brown who will forward any mail to the relevant person.