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October 2025

A popular activity in October is to go pumpkin picking. It's always a fun family day out which can only happen once a year. It's interesting to people watch at the pumpkin patch too. There are children choosing giant pumpkins which they couldn't possibly carry. There is the parent who has been laden with everyone else's pumpkins. Then there are the wise, usually older people who choose small pumpkins or no pumpkins at all and just enjoy the day. It's actually quite descriptive of this autumn season. There will be some of us who with the start of the school year have taken on too much- too many projects, committees, responsibilities, etc. Then there will be those who are burdened with things not of their own choosing. A lucky few may have the opportunity to sit and appreciate the season.

Jesus said, 'Come to me, all you that are weary and carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you....for my yoke is easy and my burden is light.' (Matthew 11:28-30) The thing that I appreciate about these verses is that it doesn't deny that we will have to carry things, but it makes the carrying easier. Like the precious wheelbarrow at the pumpkin patch, Jesus can help us. He can help us to sort through what are the burdens we should be carrying and what we can put to the side. He can sustain us, energise us, comfort us as we carry that which we do need to carry. Whatever your October looks like, may you feel the presence of Jesus carrying you through it, as you carry the roles and responsibilities to which you are called.

God bless

Katrina

Tuesdays at 09.15 Morning Prayer on Zoom. See Joyce for details

Sunday 5th October **Trinity 16**
10.00 Holy Communion
Readings: 2 Timothy 1: 1-14
Luke 17: 5-10

Sunday 12th October **Trinity 17**
10.00 Holy Communion
Readings: 2 Timothy 2: 8-15
Luke 17: 11-19

Sunday 19th October **Luke**
10.00 Holy Communion
Readings: 2 Timothy 4: 5-17
Luke 10: 1-9

Sunday 26th October **Last after Trinity**
10.00 Holy Communion
Readings: Romans 15: 1-6
Luke 4: 16-24

On Wednesday 15th October St Aidan's School will be holding their Harvest assembly in church at 9.30. All are welcome

If you have any **prayer requests**, please contact Revd. Katrina Robinson-Brown. In September we will be praying for people who live on: Gardeners Walk, Gib Lane, Haigh Row, Heather Fold, Highbridge Lane

Eco tip for October

Make Green Choices to Go to School

As driving emits pollution, parents should consider alternative ways of getting their children to school, whether walking them to school or using public transportation. Using the car less can make a huge difference to the environment in the long run. In some cities like Copenhagen and Amsterdam, parents use cargo bikes to ride their children to school, which is a great eco friendly solution to using a car.

Baby and Toddlers every Tuesday morning term time

Coffee Morning 10am-noon
Saturday 11th October

Draw Results:

There will be 2 months results announced in October. Due to circumstances the September draw was not completed

Donations for the refuge

Any items of food, household cleaning materials or toiletries are gratefully received by the Refuge. The Refuge have limited storage space so at the moment these donations are all that can

St Aidans Charity Shop – Open:
Monday-Friday 10am-4pm
Saturday 10am-1pm

