

The Parish Church of Aldwick St Richard



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SUNDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2025

17TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday 12th
Trinity 17

08:00 Holy Communion
10:30 Coffee in the Mosse Hall
11:15 Parish Eucharist

Monday 13th
Edward the Confessor

09:15 Morning Prayer (Pagham)
19:30 The Bear Necessities (Bear Inn, Pagham)

Tuesday 14th

18:00 Evening Prayer (Pagham)
19:00 Tuesday@7 (Pagham)

Wednesday 15th
St. Teresa of Avila

18:00 Evening Prayer (Pagham)

Thursday 16th

09:15 Morning Prayer (Pagham)
10:00 Holy Communion (Pagham)

Friday 17th
St. Ignatius

No public worship today

Saturday 18th
St Luke

No public worship today
13:00 Marriage of Sarah Thomson and Harry Derbyshire

Sunday 19th
Trinity 18

08:00 Holy Communion
10:30 Coffee in the Mosse Hall
11:15 Parish Eucharist

The Church is open for private prayer Monday – Saturday 10.00-4.00 and until 4.00 on Sunday

The Collection plate - If you would like to make an offering, please use the contactless Payaz machine or the collection plate, both of which can be found by the door. Thank you for your generosity.

Hymns

Introit: 103 Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise

Gradual: (Sheet) Be still for the presence of the Lord

Offertory: 302 O Thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray

Final: 413 Now thank we all our God

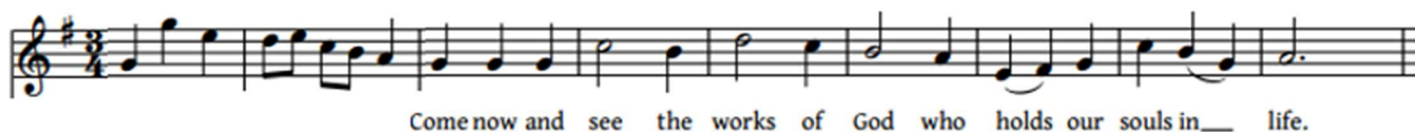
The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the 17th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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. **Amen**

Old Testament reading: Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Psalm 66. Response: Come now and see the works of God who holds our souls in life



Be joyful in God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; sing the glory of his praise. Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great strength your enemies shall bow before you. **{Response}**

'All the earth shall worship you, sing to you, sing praise to your name.'
Come now and behold the works of God, how wonderful he is in his dealings with humankind. **{Response}**

He turned the sea into dry land; the river they passed through on foot; there we rejoiced in him. In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; let no rebel rise up against him. **{Response}**

Bless our God, O you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard, who holds our souls in life and suffers not our feet to slip. For you, O God, have proved us; you have tried us as silver is tried. **{Response}**

You brought us into the snare; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs. You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; but you brought us out into a place of liberty. **{Response}**

New Testament Reading: The 2nd letter of Paul to Timothy 2: 8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Gospel Reading: Luke 17: 11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

Prayers of Intercession

The sick and those who care for them: Janet Lock, Jayne Foulks, Peter Dickinson, Sue and family, Edna Nolson, Don Durrant, Betty Kernan, Angela Wallis, Molly Hendry.

Recently departed: Rev'd James Cooper.

Anniversary of death: Clifford Shaw (15th).

We pray for and with the people of Ukraine; for the people of Israel, Gaza and the West Bank; for peace of the Holy Land; and for those who will weep, and fear, and die this day.

We pray for our vacancies – Parish Safeguarding Officer and PCC Secretary.

Post Communion Prayer:

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Next week's readings (Trinity 18)

Jeremiah 31: 27-34; Psalm 119: 97-104; 2 Timothy 3: 14 – 4: 5; Luke 18: 1-8

PCC vacancies. We are currently looking to fill the posts of Parish Safeguarding Officer and PCC Secretary. If you may be interested, please contact Revd Julian or one of the churchwardens. Training will be offered.

Parish Giving Scheme: if you subscribe to this scheme and also use their website, please note that the website will be taken offline from **tomorrow Monday 13 October** at 3:00pm until a new, updated system launches on Thursday 30 October. This will not affect your existing contributions, but it will not be possible for you to make any changes to your contributions or personal details during this period.

Community Groups and Events

The Bear Necessities - a discussion group for women, meets at The Bear Inn, Pagham, tomorrow, **Monday 13th October**, at 7:30 pm. All ages welcome. All views welcome. This is a safe space to discuss current news topics and in doing so, get to know each other better.

Coffee, Cake & Conversation: Saturday 25th October, 10.30am–12 noon in the Mosse Hall. We look forward to seeing you there for yummy cake and convivial conversation. We're looking for volunteers to run future events. If you would be willing, please contact Jayne Foulks: 07890 266404. It only takes one or two people, and full training can be provided on the coffee machine!

Lunch on Sunday: The next Lunch on Sunday will be on **November 2nd at 12.45pm**, following the Parish Family Eucharist. This will be a celebration of the 90th anniversary of the licencing of the Rev Charles Mosse as the first vicar of St Richard's. Sign-up sheets for lunch will be available at the back of the church or email the Parish mailbox strichardsaldwick@gmail.com. If you would be willing to organise a future lunch, with a friend or two, please have a word with Angela Purser or email the Parish mailbox.

Knitted poppies: Thank you very much to everyone who has already knitted poppies and dropped them off. These will all be used for the Mothers' Union project to put on a big display in November, in the 80th anniversary year of peace in Europe and Japan. Barbara Cotton has begun putting together her creations from them. Please do keep going with more poppies to make decorations/hangings for inside and outside the church. If you haven't knitted any yet, but would like to, a pattern is available at the back of the church, or please contact Carole via email: carole.matthews@jrmil.co.uk

Sponsoring flower arrangements in church: If you would like to sponsor a flower arrangement in church, perhaps in memory of a loved one, or simply because you love to see the beautiful decorations created by our flower group, please do sign up - there is a rota on the noticeboard as you go into church. Please take an envelope, pop in your cash and leave it in the collection plate. Alternatively, if you'd like to donate by BACS transfer, please ask David, our treasurer, for the account details and use the reference: Flowers.

Newspapers for Brent Lodge: Charlotte is maintaining a donation point at Church for newspapers for Brent Lodge. If you have any, please feel free to drop them in the green box in the porch. They will be collected periodically and taken to Brent Lodge to be used as bedding in their animal hospital. Thank you for supporting Charlotte to **support** this charity.

SUPPORT FOR THE FOODBANK IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER.



Urgently needed this week: Tinned meat, tinned baked beans, tinned fruit, UHT fruit juice, UHT milk. **We have plenty of:** pulses.