**Church notices for the parishes of St John the Baptist, Ruardean, Holy Jesus Lydbrook and Holy Trinity Drybrook,**

These notices are also available on [www.achurchnearyou](http://www.achurchnearyou).com or just google - Ruardean Church, Drybrook Church or Lydbrook church, to locate ‘achurchnearyou’.

**THIS SUNDAY – 12th. October 2025 – 17th. Sunday after Trinity 10.30am. Benefice Service of Holy Communion at Ruardean.**

Refreshments served at the back of church afterwards.

**Church Services and events this week.**

Funerals

Tuesday October 14th. 11am. Drybrook Church, Tony Walding

Wednesday 15th. October 11am. Lydbrook Church, Kathleen ‘Vin’ Bale

Wednesday 15th. October 11.30am. Drybrook Church Vernon Stock

Wednesday 15th. 2.30pm. Church service at the Euroclydon care home.

Friday 17th. 9.30am. Lydbrook Primary School Harvest service at Lydbrook Church. Refreshments available from 8.45am. for parents and guests.

Friday 17th. 2.15pm. Ruardean Church of England Primary School Harvest service at Ruardean Church.

**NEXT SUNDAY 19th. October 18th. Sunday after Trinity.**

**10.30am. Benefice Service of Holy Communion at Drybrook.**

**FUTURE CHURCH EVENTS**

**Sunday 10.30am. service venues –**

26th. October – Last Sunday after Trinity, Bible Sunday – Lydbrook

2nd. November – All Saints Sunday – Ruardean

N.B. 9th. November – 3.30pm Benefice Communion at Drybrook.

16th. November – 2nd. Sunday before Advent – Lydbrook

23rd. November – Sunday before Advent – Ruardean

30th. November – Advent Sunday - Drybrook

**ALL SOULS’ TIDE – SERVICES OF LIGHT AND HOPE** a timewhen we gather with those who have been bereaved, remembering before God those we have known and loved who have died and claiming our hope of resurrection life.

**N.B. Change of dates and venues.**

Sunday 26th. October – 3pm. Holy Trinity, Drybrook

Sunday 2nd. November – 3pm. Holy Jesus, Lydbrook

Sunday 2nd. November – 5pm. St John the Baptist, Ruardean.

Cards will shortly be available to write down the names of those you would like remembered. Refreshments served after all services.

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - 9TH. November**

10.50am. Remembrance service Holy Trinity , Drybrook

10.50am. Remembrance Service St John the Baptist, Ruardean

10.40 am Act of remembrance Lydbrook War Memorial

**Sunday 23 November at 3pm.** Diocesan farewell service for Archdeacon Hilary, in the Cathedral.

Lydbrook Christmas Tree Festival – 5-7 December.

**BIRTHDAYS –**

Birthday greetings to all who are celebrating this week.

11th. Sue Bamford

18th. Brian Rowe

**FUNERALS**

Friday 31st. October 2pm. Holy trinity, Drybrook Ken Nicholls

**NOTICES**

Ruardean and Drybrook churches will normally be open 10am – 4pm daily.

It is hoped that Soup and Puddings, held in Ruardean Village Hall will begin again in November.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

Tuesday 14th. October (and every 2nd. Tuesday of the month) Meet and Eat at The Pludds, Village Hall. 11am – 2pm. A warm place to meet, chat and share. Light lunches tea, coffee and cakes. Further information from Sue Barber on 01594 861180

Fridays 10am. -12noon. Coffee, cake and conversation. Ruardean warm space. Ruardean Memorial Hall. Post office van outside from 10 -11am.

**For our prayers:**

We give thanks for the fragile ceasefire now in place in Gaza, that all will respect it and peace may follow.

Loving God, we approach you with sorrowful hearts as we cry out for lives lost and the pain of those who mourn. We plead for an end to the fighting and violence. We pray that you would be near to those who have lost homes and loved ones. To those being held captive. To those who do not know where their next meal is coming from. To those living with fear and injury. May your love and peace overcome the hatred and brokenness.

In Jesus’ name, Amen.

This week is Prisons week and so we pray,

Lord, You offer freedom to all people. We pray for those in prison.
Break the bonds of fear and isolation that exist.
Support with Your love, prisoners and their families,
prison staff and all who care for them.
Heal those who have been wounded by the actions of others,
especially the victims of crime.
Help us to forgive one another, to act justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly together with Christ, in His strength and in His Spirit,
now and every day. Amen

We pray for those we know who are ill, especially Rose, Malcolm & June, Lisa, Janet, Glyn, Doris, Dorothy, Sweetie, David, Dave P, Dave M. and Keith Thompson.

We pray for all who mourn that they may be strengthened in the hope of resurrection life. We pray for all whom we have known and loved who have died, including Tony Walding, Kathleen Bale, Vernon Stock and Ken Nicholls. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.