**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’.

**NEW ARCHBISHOP**

The current bishop of London and former nurse, Sarah Mullally, is to be the 106th. Archbishop of Canterbury. She will be installed in a service at Canterbury Cathedral in March 2026. It has been a long discernment process and now we hold Sarah in our prayers, it is a challenging calling.

She says, “At every stage of (my) journey, through my nursing career and Christian ministry, I have learned to listen deeply – to people and to God’s gentle prompting – to seek to bring people together to find hope and healing. I want, very simply, to encourage the Church to continue to grow in confidence in the Gospel, to speak of the love that we find in Jesus Christ and for it to shape our actions. And I look forward to sharing this journey of faith with the millions of people serving God and their communities in parishes all over the country and across the global Anglican Communion.”

**THIS SUNDAY – 5th. October 2025 – 16th. Sunday after Trinity 10.30am. Benefice Service of Holy Communion with Diane’s baptism at Lydbrook.**

Refreshments served at the back of church afterwards.

**NEXT SUNDAY 12th. October 17th. Sunday after Trinity.**

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

**FUTURE CHURCH EVENTS**

**Sunday 10.30am. service venues –**

19th. October – 18th. Sunday after Trinity – Drybrook

26th. October – Last Sunday after Trinity – Lydbrook

2nd. November – All Saints Sunday – Ruardean

9th. November – 3.30pm Benefice communion at 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.

Sunday 26th. October – 3pm. Holy Jesus, Lydbrook.

Sunday 2nd. November – 3pm. Holy Trinity, Drybrook

Sunday 2nd. November – 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.

Thanks to all who enabled and supported last week’s coffee morning for Gaza.

**FUNERALS**

**Tuesday October 14th. Drybrook Church, Tony Walding**

**Wednesday 15th. October 11am. Lydbrook Church, Vin Bale**

**Wednesday 15th. October 11.30am. Drybrook Church Vern Stock**

**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 continue to pray for all who live in places of war and all victims of genocide.

We pray for Sarah Mullally and all church leaders.

We pray to 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, Vin Bale and Vern Stock