

Sunday 12th October 2025 WEEKDAY SERVICES AND EVENTS

SUNDAY	10.45am	Holy Communion at St Paul's
MONDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
TUESDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
WEDNESDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer at St John's
	9.30am	Holy Communion at St John's
	10.45am	Holy Communion at St Modwen's
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
THURSDAY	8.30am	Morning Prayer
	12 noon	Holy Communion at St Paul's
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
SATURDAY	10.00am – 12 noon	St Modwen's open for Coffee and private prayer

notes:

- 1 Many thanks to those who supported the lunches
- 2 Christmas Shoe Box – boxes available at the back of the church
- 3 Isaac & Fr Simon are doing the sleep-out in November for the YMCA and would appreciate sponsorship
- 4 All Souls Day - 2nd November – list in the baptistery to add names of departed loved ones
- 5 Crafts, Knit & Natter – Tuesday 28th October at 10.00am

notes continued overleaf

On our parish prayer list we remember Monica Srinivasan, Carolin Ellis, Jean Towler, Terry Harrison

THE DEPARTED-

From the Anniversary of Death book we remember Basil Clements, Jackie Anderson, Brian Sharratt, Winnie Bailey

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Welcome to
The Church of St Paul Burton upon Trent

Sunday 12th October 2025
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



COLLECT

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.

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.

10.45am Sung Mass

Reader: Susan Monkhouse *Prayers:* Mike Mear *Offertory:* Margaret Merry

Hymns

Introit:	558	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (Lobe den herren [Praxis pietatus])
Gradual:	Sheet	O God, you search me and you know me
Offertory:	578	Stand up, stand up for Jesus (Morning Light)
Communion:	383	Be still, for the presence of the Lord (Be still)
Final:	609	To God be the glory (To God be the glory)

Date	Reader	Intercessor	offertory
19th Oct	Valerie Cammack	Colin Dawson	Olwen & Alan Sharpe

THE CHURCH IS OPEN MOST DAYS 10.30am – 4.00pm

2 Kings 5.1-3,7-15b

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.' When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.' But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.' So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.' But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"?' So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, 'Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.

Psalm 111 Response: The works of the Lord stand fast for ever

- 1 Alleluia. I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the faithful and in the congregation.
- 2 The works of the Lord are great, sought out by all who delight in them.
- 3 His work is full of majesty and honour and his righteousness endures for ever. [R]
- 4 He appointed a memorial for his marvellous deeds;
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.
- 5 He gave food to those who feared him; he is ever mindful of his covenant. [R]
- 6 He showed his people the power of his works
in giving them the heritage of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are truth and justice; all his commandments are sure.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever;
they are done in truth and equity. [R]

- 9 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever;
holy and awesome is his name.
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
a good understanding have those who live by it; his praise endures for ever. [R]

2 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.

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."

Notes continued ...

6. Fr Simon is taking part in '**Sober October**', abstaining from alcohol for the month, in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. If you would like to support his fundraising, any donations will be gratefully received, or can be made online at <https://gosober.org.uk/users/simon-archer-2>.
7. The trial of praying **Morning and Evening Prayer** in church was to run until the clocks go back on 25th October, so end on Thursday 23rd. Now Fr Simon will be away from 20th-22nd, so the trial will end on Thursday 16th October.
8. **Confirmation** preparation sessions will be held at Red Lion House at 7.30pm on Wednesdays 15th, 22nd and 29th October. If you would like to join in, please let Fr Simon know. Separate sessions will be run for our youngest people who wish to be confirmed. The Confirmation service on 25th January 2026 will be a joint benefice service at 9.15am at St John's Horninglow with Bishop Matthew.