

The Parish Church of Aldwick St Richard



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SUNDAY 7TH JUNE 2026

1ST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday 7th	08:00 Holy Communion
1st Sunday after	10:30 Coffee in the Mosse Hall
Trinity	11:15 Parish Eucharist with Sunday School
	12:45 Lunch on Sunday (Mosse Hall)
Monday 8th	09:15 Morning Prayer (Pagham)
Bishop Thomas Ken	10:30 Jayne Foulks' Celebration of Life (details on Page 4)
	19:30 The Bear Necessities (The Bear Inn, Pagham)
Tuesday 9th	12:00 Noon – 14:30 Church closed, private service
St. Columba	18:00 Evening Prayer (Pagham)
	19:00 Tuesday@7 (Pagham)
Wednesday 10th	09:30 Morning Prayer (St. Richard's)
	18:00 Evening Prayer (Pagham)
Thursday 11th	10:00 Holy Communion (Pagham)
Barnabas the Apostle	19:30 Pints of View (The Inglebrook, Pagham)
Friday 12th	No public worship today
Saturday 13th	No public worship today
Sunday 14th	08:00 Holy Communion
Trinity 2	10:30 Coffee in the Mosse Hall
	11:15 Parish Eucharist with Sunday School

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: 294 Just as I am, without one plea

Gradual: 373 How shall I sing that majesty

Offertory: (Sheet) Brother, Sister, let me serve you

Final: 461 There's a wideness in God's mercy

The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the first Sunday after Trinity

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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: Genesis 12. 1-9

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarah and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, 'To your offspring I will give this land.' So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages towards the Negeb.

Psalm 33. 1-12

New Testament Reading: Letter of Paul to the Romans 4. 13-end

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 9. 9-13, 18-26

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.' While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, 'My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.' And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, 'If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.' Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, 'Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.' And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, 'Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Prayers of Intercession

The sick and those who care for them: Janet Lock, Peter Dickinson, Sue and family, Edna Nolson, Don Durrant, Betty Kernan, Molly Hendry, Bob Coyne, Sheila Chittenden, Martin Lang, Catherine Allott.

Recently departed: Jayne Foulks, Audrey Thomas, Joan Burt. Please keep the families of Jayne, Audrey and Joan in your prayers at this difficult time.

Anniversary of death: Peter Millam, Priest (8th).

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 vacancy – PCC Secretary.

Post Communion Prayer:

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Next week's readings

Genesis 18:1-15; Psalm 116:1,10-17, Paul's Letter to the Romans 5:1-8; John 21: 15-19

Sunday School is held during the 11.15am service, starting in the children's corner in church, then moves into the Committee Room in the Mosse Hall, returning in time for a blessing at communion. It is led by a rota of volunteers. All children welcome. If anyone would like to find out more, or maybe join the rota, please contact Julie (juliebroad28@gmail.com).

PCC vacancy: We are still looking to fill the post of PCC Secretary. Please pray for our vacancy and consider whether this is a way in which you could serve our church community. For further information please speak to Revd Julian or one of the Church Wardens.

Jayne Foulks' Celebration of Life will be held at Chichester Crematorium tomorrow, **Monday 8th June at 10:30am**. This will be followed by a celebratory gathering at The Walnut Tree, Runcton, where everyone can raise a glass and celebrate Jayne's life. There will also be a buffet lunch. All are welcome. Jayne has requested "please come in casual and comfy attire, if you have a pop band T shirt wear that"! Strictly NO BLACK! No flowers please. There will be a collection for St Wilfrid's Hospice, who played such an important part in Jayne's care and provided support to Adrian and Caitlin. Further information at: <https://www.reynoldsfunerals.co.uk/funeral/jayne-foulks/>. There will also be a retiring collection for St Wilfrid's Hospice, in memory of Jayne, after both services on Sunday 7th.

Community Groups and Events

Lunch on Sunday: The next Lunch on Sunday is today, **Sunday 7th June at 12.45pm** following the Parish Eucharist. A wonderful opportunity to enjoy a 2-course meal and fellowship together in relaxed surroundings, at just £10 for adults, children free. If you have not signed up, but would like to attend, please ask if there is space. **We're looking for volunteers to organise lunches in the future.** Support will be provided. If you, along with some friends, would be interested in organising a lunch (you get to choose what's on the menu), please have a word with Angela Purser or Julie Broad or email the Parish mailbox (strichardsaldwick@gmail.com).

The Bear Necessities, a discussion group for women, meets next on **Monday 8th June at 7.30pm at The Bear Inn, Pagham.** 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. Please note that there will be no Bear Necessities in July or August. The next meeting will be on Monday 14th September.

Pints of view – a conversation for men, meets on **Thursday 11th June at 7.30pm in The Inglenook, Pagham.** Buy yourself a pint and come have a chat on current affairs – no hidden agenda, a meeting of men of all ages. Please note that Pints of View will be meeting on Thursday 9th July, and on 10th September, but there will be no meeting in August.

Mid-Summer Hog Roast: This will be held on **Saturday 20th June, at 5pm** at Copyhold Farm, Lagness, PO21 1LN. (Vegetarian Option available) £15.00 per person (under 16s free). Details and tickets from Trudi - stthomaspagham@gmail.com

Cream Tea: The Friends of Pagham Parish Church are hosting a Cream Tea at St Thomas a Becket Church, Pagham on **Sunday 28th June from 2.30pm.** £6.00 per person (members £5.00). Details and tickets from Trudi - stthomaspagham@gmail.com

Hygiene Poverty: A Hygiene Bank has been set up in the porch. The Hygiene Bank collects **new, unused, in-date personal care and household cleaning essentials.** For health and safety reasons, opened, half-used or products past their best-before date cannot be accepted. Leaflets about the scheme are available at the back of the church and further details are available at <https://thehygienebank.com/give-products/what-products-do-we-collect/>

Newspapers: Please drop your newspapers (NOT magazines, as they cannot be used), ideally in a carrier bag, in the green box in the church porch. They will be used by the Cat and Rabbit Rescue.

Online shopping: When you are doing your online shopping, remember to use **easyfundraising** in support of St Richard's to help us raise additional funds, **at no cost to you.** If you're not sure how, please talk to David (treasurer) or Angela (church warden). Further details are available at: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/strichardsaldwick/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=gs-email1

SUPPORT FOR THE FOODBANK IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER.



Urgently needed this week: Tinned tomatoes, tinned meat, tinned soup, blue UHT milk, peanut butter/jam. **We have plenty of:** pulses.