

The Parish Church of Aldwick St Richard



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SUNDAY 19TH JULY 2026

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday 19th

7th Sunday after Trinity

08:00 Holy Communion

10:30 Coffee in the Mosse Hall

**11:15 Parish Eucharist with the Baptism of
Willow Ivy Grace Andrews-Phillips**

Monday 20th

Tuesday 21st

Wednesday 22nd

Mary Magdalene

Thursday 23rd

Friday 24th

Saturday 25th

James the Apostle

Sunday 26th

Trinity 8

09:30 Morning Prayer (Pagham)

18:00 Evening Prayer (Pagham)

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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.

Please note that Sunday School will re-commence on 6th September.

Hymns

Introit: 264 All things bright and beautiful (omit * verse)

Gradual: 339 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

Offertory: 420 O Jesus, I have promised

Final: 342 Breathe on me, Breath of God

The Collect (Opening Prayer):

Heavenly Father, by the power of your Holy Spirit you give your faithful people new life in the water of baptism. Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit, that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love, and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Old Testament reading: Genesis 28: 10-19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, 'I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the Lord is in this place-and I did not know it!' And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.' So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel; but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

Psalms 139: 1-11

New Testament Reading: Letter of Paul to the Romans 8: 12-25

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly

while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 19: 13-15

Then children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them, but Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." And he laid his hands on them and went on his way.

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, Catherine Allott, Spencer Thomas.

Recently departed: Martin Lang, John Lovelock.

Anniversary of death: Thomas Green (19th), Frank Allsopp (21st).

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 God, our heavenly Father, you have given us a share in the one bread and the one cup and made us one with Christ. Help us to bring your love and life into the world, and to grow into the blessing of your kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Next week's readings

Genesis 29.15-28; Psalm 128; Romans 8.26-end; Matthew 13.31-33, 44-52

Giving to the church: As church members please prayerfully consider how you can support St Richard's both financially and with your time. We are always grateful for volunteers to help with Lunch on Sunday, Coffee Cake and Conversation, fundraising and other events and activities, church cleaning, grounds maintenance, and administratively including managing our finances. If you feel able to help in any of these areas, please speak to Reverend Julian or one of the Church Wardens.

Confirmation service at Chichester Cathedral on **Wednesday 25th November**. If you would like to be confirmed by the Bishop in November, please contact Revd Julian revjulianmcallen@gmail.com

Leading intercessions: Would you like to get more involved in our services? Could you do this by joining a rota to lead the intercessions? If this is something you might be interested in doing, please speak to Revd Julian to find out more.

Electoral Roll: Are you on the Electoral Roll of St. Richard's Church? If not, would you consider joining it? You need to be baptised, a member of the Church of England (or of a Church in communion with it), and a resident in the Parish or someone who has attended services at St Richard's on a regular basis for at least six months. Being on the Electoral Roll does not cost you anything or commit you to anything else. It is though, an expression of your commitment and provides opportunities to contribute to the Church community and to decision-making processes. For more information, please speak with or email Carole Matthews (cmatthews@jrmil.co.uk), Rev Julian or one of the Church Wardens.

Sunday School is held during the 11.15am service, during term-time. Following its Summer break, it will meet next on **6th September**.

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.

Community Groups and Events

Christmas Fayre: This year instead of a Christmas Tree Festival, we are holding a Christmas Fayre on **November 21st** in the Mosse Hall. We hope that many people will wish to help by running a stall such as a tombola (adults and children), tabletop games, raffle, sweets, bric-a-brac, knitted goods, cakes, guessing games (weight of a cake, number of sweets in a jar, name the teddy, etc) and of course refreshments. More suggestions will follow, although we are certain that you will have your own ideas, too! Please contact **Christine Eaton-Hennah** (christineeh13@sky.com), who sings in the choir, if you have any queries or if you are prepared to help in any way.

Lunch on Sunday: Our monthly Lunch on Sunday is taking a summer break. The next lunch will be on **6th September** at **12:45pm** following our Parish Eucharist. Sign-up sheets will be available nearer the time.

Coffee, Cake & Conversation: Our monthly Coffee, Cake & Conversation is also taking a summer break and will meet next on **Saturday 26th September** from **10:30am – 12 noon** in the committee room in the Mosse Hall.

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.

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 at

<https://thehygienebank.com/give-products/what-products-do-we-collect/>

Newspapers: As mentioned in a recent Pew Sheet, the PCC has decided, after receiving advice about health and safety issues, to cease the newspaper collections. Please therefore do not leave any more newspapers in the porch. Any that are left there will be put into recycling. Thank you.

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 vegetables, biscuits, toilet rolls, UHT milk, UHT fruit juice. **We have plenty of:** pulses.