

Website: <http://paghamaldwickchurch.org/>Facebook: <https://tinyurl.com/Paghamchurch>

Pews News

PRIEST-IN-CHARGE: Reverend Julian McAllen

Email: revjulianmcallen@gmail.com

CHURCHWARDEN: Mr Richard Rundle

Tel: 07970556651

Email: wardenstthomaspagham@gmail.com

LICENSED LAY MINISTER:**Mrs Rosemary Towse**

Email: rosemarytowse@talktalk.net

Tel: 01243 858355

(REST DAY - FRIDAY)

CHURCHWARDEN: Mrs Sue O'Neill

Tel: 07867904780

Email: suesdesignservices@gmail.com

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:**Mrs Emily Siemieniec**

Email: paghamsafeguarding@gmail.com

Sunday 30th August 2026 Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 30th	09:30	Parish Eucharist with provision for children
	11:00-	Art Exhibition
	17:00	
Monday 31st	10:00-	Art Exhibition
	17:-00	
Tuesday September		No public worship today
Wednesday 2nd	09:30	Breakfast Club Manor Nursery
	18:00	Evening Prayer
Thursday 3rd	09:00	Morning Prayer
	10:00	Holy Communion
	11:30	Funeral of Sandra Dobson
Friday 4th	14:00	The Book Group Alison's House
		No public worship today
Saturday 5th		No public worship today
Sunday 6th	09:30	Parish Eucharist with provision for children

4 At the name of Jesus

67 Be still, for the presence of the Lord

626 Take up thy cross

752 Will you come and follow me?



The Collect (Opening Prayer): Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



First Reading: Exodus 3.1-15 Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness and came to Mount Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. Now go, I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.' " God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

Psalm 115

Second Reading: Romans 12.9-21 Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16.21-28 From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Post Communion Prayer: God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Prayers of Intercession

The sick and those who care for them: Karen Cox, Sheila King, Dawn Spurway Pearson, Lucia, Ian Turner, Michael King, Emily Maylon, Jim, Richard, Jenny, Roger Lewis, Revd. Colin Wood, Tony May, Eileen Tooley, June Baker, Laurell Lewis, Phillip Moles, Tracey Cusworth, Julie Fourcade, Eunice Smith, Colin Baldwin, Elaine Hankin, Stephen Moffat, Jean Pereira, Grace Roope and David Lock

Recently departed: Sandra Dobson, Funeral 3rd September 11:30 am

Anniversary of death: 30th - Primrose Green, William Smith

The World: We pray for peace in all areas of conflict around the World, and we pray for peace in the Holy Land and the Middle East. For all those seeking safety and refuge in our Country.

For urgent prayer, contact Sue Davis (01243 262915) to start the Prayer Chain.



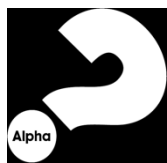
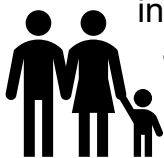
Art Exhibition Sunday 30th August, 11am – 5 pm and Monday 31st August, 10am – 5pm. Entry is free. Refreshments served throughout the day, with light lunches between 12 and 1.30pm. For more information contact Trudi Kearsley 07703 597353 or trudikearsley@hotmail.co.uk



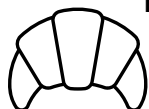
Join this year's **Ride + Stride** on Saturday, 12 September 2026 (9 am– 5 pm)! Open to everyone, this fun event invites you to walk, run, cycle, or drive between Sussex's historic churches while raising vital grant funds for their preservation. Get sponsored per church visited or via a flat donation, with online collections available on JustGiving. Find route options and full details

here: <https://www.sussexhistoricchurchestrust.org.uk/ride-stride/ride-stride-info-for-participants>

Tuesday@7 returns on 8th September! Mid-week, 40 minutes and family friendly. An informal church service suitable for Children and Families, accessible readings and a short reflection, A welcoming and inclusive invitation for those looking for a different way to worship and explore their faith. A great option for those with busy Sunday mornings. Everyone is welcome!



The Alpha Course at Aldwick and Pagham: Wednesday evenings (7pm – 8.15pm). Our first session of the Alpha Course will be on Wednesday 23rd September at St Thomas a Becket Church. Details of the course can be found on the flyer at the back of the church. Please add your name to the sign up sheet if you would like to come.



Breakfast Club meets at Manor Nursery Palm Court cafe; 9.30 am on Wednesday 2nd of September. The cost of breakfast at Manor Nursery is between £10.00 and £14.00. All are welcome to come along and enjoy a cooked breakfast with like-minded people with wide ranging conversation. Any queries contact Alex Brockhurst 07792 544259.



Sunday Afternoon Service Thank you to all who have offered to assist with Sunday afternoon services. Our first service will begin on Sunday 13th September at 4pm and will be a service of Taize Prayer. Led by Jenny Spurle. We would love you to join us. See the poster in Church for details of other services.



Support for the Food Bank is more important than ever. Urgently needed this week: cleaning products, laundry pods (non bio), tinned fruit, tinned soup, washing up liquid.

Please note the dates when our community groups will next meet:

Breakfast Club: on 2nd September at 9.30 am at Manor Nursery

The Book Group: 4th September, 2pm, location Alison's House, Swandene

Pints of View: on 10th September, 7.30 pm at The Inglenook Pub, Pagham

The Bear Necessities: on 14th September, 7.30 pm at The Bear Inn, Pagham

Bell ringing: on Mondays at 7.30 pm at St Thomas à Becket

Don't forget, the Church is open every day, usually between 10am & 5pm. It is a beautiful place for quiet prayer and reflection.

Next week's readings:

Exodus 12.1-14, Psalm 149, Romans 13.8-14, Matthew 18.15-20

Church Diary: This is held by Mo Hatzfeld. Please let her know if you are planning to use the church or St Andrew's Chapel to check availability. Tel: 01243 268576.

For any queries regarding our Pew Sheet, please contact Emily- paghampew@gmail.com

