

The Parish Church of Aldwick St Richard



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SUNDAY 9TH AUGUST 2026

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday 9th
10th Sunday after Trinity

08:00 Holy Communion
10:30 Coffee in the Mosse Hall
11:15 Parish Eucharist
09:00 Morning Prayer (Pagham)

Monday 10th
St. Laurence
Tuesday 11th
Clare of Assisi

18:00 Evening Prayer (Pagham)

Wednesday 12th
Thursday 13th

18:00 Evening Prayer (Pagham)
09:00 Morning Prayer (Pagham)

Bishop Jeremy Taylor
Friday 14th

No public worship today

Saturday 15th
The Blessed Virgin Mary

No public worship today

Sunday 16th
Trinity 11

08:00 Holy Communion
10:30 Coffee in the Mosse Hall
11:15 Parish Eucharist
12:45 Barbecue in the Vicarage Garden

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: 338 At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow

Gradual: 353 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Offertory: (Sheet) I come with joy, a child of God

Final: 374 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the 10th Sunday after Trinity:

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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 37: 1-4,12-28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, 'Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them.' He answered, 'Here I am.' So he said to him, 'Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me.' So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, 'What are you seeking?' 'I am seeking my brothers,' he said; 'tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock.' The man said, 'They have gone away, for I heard them say, "Let us go to Dothan."' So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, 'Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams.' But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, 'Let us not take his life.' Reuben said to them, 'Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him' — that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, 'What profit is there if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.' And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Psalms 105.1-6, 16-22, 45b

New Testament Reading: Letter of Paul to the Romans 10: 5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the

heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

Gospel Reading: Matthew 14: 22-33

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

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, Dean Casperson.

Recently departed:

Anniversary of death: Edward Moody (9th), Peggy Chadwick (9th), Wilfrid Peters (10th), Gwen Twaites (12th), Alan Twaites (12th), Eileen Frost (15th).

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: God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Next week's readings

Genesis 45.1–15; Psalm 133; Romans 11.1–2a, 29–32; Matthew 15. 10–28

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.

Sunday School, Lunch on Sunday and Coffee, Cake & Conversation are all taking a break for the summer and will be back in **September**.

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 Rev'd Julian to find out more.

Changes to how we more fully integrate our offerings into our Sunday services: The giving and receiving of our offerings is an important part of our services. Since Covid, as a congregation, we are no longer fully engaged with the Offertory. Starting on **Sunday 6th September**, for a trial period, we will re-introduce the circulation of purses among the congregation at the Offertory, as indicated in the Order of Service for the 8am and during the Offertory hymn at 11.15. Members who are regular givers, by Standing Order or through the Parish Giving Scheme, are not currently included in the Offertory process at all during the services and neither are those who make one-off donations via the Payaz. Therefore, in order to celebrate and include **all** who give, along with the orders of service, tokens will be available each week for those who give electronically. These can be put into the purses during the Offertory, enabling all of our offerings to be presented to and blessed by the priest.

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

St Richard's Summer Barbecue - Sunday 16th August at 12.45: We would love you to join us after the 11.15am service for a barbecue at the Vicarage. Everyone welcome. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of the church, or email the parish mailbox, if you would like to come. Those who are able to bring a salad or dessert are invited to add their name to the food list on the last page of the sign-up sheet.

Sussex Historic Churches Trust, Ride and Stride, takes place on **Saturday 12th September, 9am–5pm**. Ride and Stride is an annual fundraising event where people are sponsored to walk, ride a bike or travel using any means of transport between participating churches. St Richard's will be open for any participants to visit. If you would like to take an active part on behalf of St Richard's, further details are available on the church noticeboard or by email from david.williams1945@gmail.com

The Alpha Course at Aldwick and Pagham: We are looking to run the Alpha Course for both parishes in **September and October** on a **Wednesday evening (7pm – 8.15pm)**. This is part of our vision and the Diocesan vision to *know, love, and follow Jesus*. If you may be interested in being part of the team, please contact Revd Julian (revjulianmcallen@gmail.com). Venue tbc. Further details and a sign-up sheet to follow.

Christmas Fayre: This year instead of a Christmas Tree Festival, we are holding a Christmas Fayre on **Saturday 21st November** in the Mosse Hall. We hope that many people will wish to help by running a stall. 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.

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.

SUPPORT FOR THE FOODBANK IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER.



Urgently needed this week: All tinned vegetables, biscuits, UHT orange juice, UHT milk, shampoo/conditioner. **We have plenty of:** pulses.