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Sunday 16th August 2026 Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 16th	09:30	Parish Eucharist with provision for children
Monday 17th	09:00	Morning Prayer
	14:00	Funeral of Derek Bond
Tuesday 18th	18:00	Evening Prayer
Wednesday 19th	18:00	Evening Prayer
Thursday 20th	09:00	Morning Prayer
Friday 21st		No public worship today
Saturday 22nd	11:00	Burial of Ashes - Natasha and Matthew Murray
	12:30	Parish Barbecue The Vicarage
Sunday 23rd	09:30	Parish Eucharist with provision for children

565 Praise, my soul, the King
625 Take my life
182 For Mary, mother of our Lord
631 Tell out my soul

The Collect (Opening Prayer): O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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.



First Reading: Genesis 45.1-15 Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so

dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me; do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there, since there are five more years of famine to come, so that you and your household and all that you have will not come to poverty.' And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them, and after that his brothers talked with him.

Psalm 133

Second Reading: Romans 11.1-2a, 29-32 I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the scripture says of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel? For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so also they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they also may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 15.21-28 Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your

faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed from that moment.

Post Communion Prayer: Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; 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

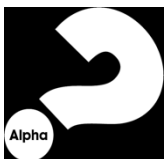
Anniversary of death: 19th - Frederick Stevens, 21st - William Hudson, Beryl Gore, 22nd - May Ashwood, William Rockcliffe, Marion Shaw

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 - Saturday 29th August, 10am - 5pm, Sunday 30th August, 11am – 5 pm, Monday 31st August, 10am – 5pm. Entry is free. Refreshments served throughout the day, with light lunches between 12 and 1.30pm. We would be very grateful for offers of cakes and raffle prizes please. Volunteers needed for stewarding and assistance with refreshments - please add your names to the sign-up sheet on the white noticeboard if you can help. Please continue to help spread the word. Full details and entry forms are available from Trudi Kearsley 07703 597353 or trudikearsley@hotmail.co.uk



The Alpha Course at Pagham and Aldwick 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 using his email.

Venue tbd. Further details and a sign-up sheet to follow.



Parish Barbecue - Saturday 22nd August 12.30pm at the Vicarage (25 Gossamer Lane PO21 3AT) We would love you to join us for our Parish Barbecue at the Vicarage on Saturday 22nd August. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of the church 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. Squash and water provided. Please bring your own alcoholic beverages. If you are able please bring your own camp chair or rug to sit on.



New! We are planning on adding a Sunday afternoon service either at 4pm or 5pm, twice a month, beginning in September. This service will be a mix of Taizé, Celtic or Contemplative Prayer, and will be led by different members of our Church family. Please email Sue O'Neill if this is something you feel you would like to lead, and we can put a rota together.

St Richard's Church, Aldwick - Lunch on Sunday: The next Lunch on Sunday is on **Sunday 6th September at 12.45pm** in the Mosse Hall following the Parish Eucharist at St Richard's. This is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a 2-course meal and fellowship together in relaxed surroundings, at just £10 for adults, children free. Signup sheets are at the back of St Richard's or email the parish mailbox (strichardsaldwick@gmail.com) to book your places.



Support for the Food Bank is more important than ever. Urgently needed this week: biscuits, spreads, tinned fruit, tinned rice puddings, UHT milk.

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 1.8 - 2.10, Psalm 124

Romans 12.1-8, Matthew 16.13-20

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

