

COLLECT

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
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.

FIRST READING

Either **Isaiah 25:1-9**

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Or **Exodus 32:1-14**

PSALM Psalm 23

R *I will dwell your house for ever.*

The Lord is my shepherd;
therefore can I lack nothing.
He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters. **R**

He shall refresh my soul
and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **R**

You spread a table before me
in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil
and my cup shall be full.
Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. **R**

SECOND READING Philippians 4:1-9

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these



things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

GOSPEL Matthew 22:1-14

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Once more Jesus spoke to the chief priests and Pharisees in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

POST COMMUNION

Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you,
not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service
of Jesus Christ our Lord.



St Wilfrid's Church Brayton

Holy Communion · Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity · 11 October 2026

Welcome

Before the service begins you are invited to join in a short time of quietness and reflection in preparation for worship. After the service please join us for coffee and chat in the Parish Hall.

Services

Mon 12 October

10:30am Holy Communion at St Wilfrid's Court

Wed 14 October

9:30am Holy Communion

Sun 18 October

Luke the Evangelist

10:30am Joint Celtic Holy Communion

Special Services

Sun 01 November

3pm All Souls Service

Notices

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Upcoming Events

TUE
13
OCT
St Wilfrid's Craft Group
2pm-4pm, St. Wilfrid's
Everyone welcome, come along for good company and a cuppa. You may learn a new craft! **June**

WED
14
OCT
Alpha Course Week 2
6:30-8:30pm, St. Francis
Second week of the 10-week course to explore life & faith! Just Come Along!
Jacqui & Maureen

SAT
17
OCT
Quiz Night at St. Francis
7pm, St. Francis
Teams of up to 6 people max. Booking essential. **Call Joan 708128 or Shirley 707380**

FRI
23
OCT
Bingo Pie & Peas Night
From 7pm, St Wilfrid's.
Tickets £8 to include pie & peas. Bring own drinks. **Pat**

MON
26
OCT
St Wilfrid's Stitches Group
1:30pm St Wilfrid's
We enjoy any type of sewing, cross stitch, and embroidery of any kind. All welcome!
01757 705 793 **Pat**

WED
28
OCT
Coffeemates
10am-11:30am, St Wilfrid's
Join us for coffee, tea & cakes. Meet and make friends! **Lynn**

Christmas Card Making Workshop on 17 October

10am-12pm, St. Francis
Make a special card to send! £5 with coffee and cake **01757 707987 Jan**



Church Welfare & News



Pastoral Care

If you or someone you know is sick, in hospital, in need, or would appreciate a visit, please contact:

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Safeguarding

For any safeguarding concerns, please contact our Parish Safeguarding Representative:

Linda Bunn 07711 384003
safeguarding@stwilfridsparish.com

Autumn Fair

Sat 14 November
1pm-3:30pm

Usual fun of the fair with many stalls, cafe and musical entertainment. Donations are required for tombola, raffle, cake, book and nearly new children's toys stall. Contact **Lis Middup 07770440214**

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