

# The Parish Church of Aldwick St Richard



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## **SUNDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2026**

### **NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**Trinity 19**

**08:00 Holy Communion**  
**10:30 Coffee in the Mosse Hall**  
**11:15 Parish Eucharist with Sunday School**  
**09:30 Morning Prayer (Pagham)**  
**19:30 The Bear Necessities (Bear Inn, Pagham)**  
**17:30 Evening Prayer (Zoom)**  
**19:00 Tuesday@7 (Pagham)**  
**09:30 Morning Prayer (St. Richard's)**  
**17:30 Evening Prayer (Zoom)**  
**19:00 The Alpha Course (see Page 4)**  
**09:00 Morning Prayer (Pagham)**  
**10:00 Holy Communion (Pagham)**  
**No public worship today**  
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**Monday 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**St. Wilfrid**  
**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**Edward the Confessor**  
**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**St. Teresa of Avila**  
**Friday 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**St. Ignatius**  
**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**Trinity 20**

**08:00 Holy Communion**  
**10:30 Coffee in the Mosse Hall**  
**11:15 Parish Eucharist with Sunday School**

*Please contact Trudi ([trudikearsley@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:trudikearsley@hotmail.co.uk)) for zoom details for evening prayer.*

**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 purses at the Offertory during the service, or use the contactless Payaz Machine, which can be found by the door. Thank you for your generosity.*

### **Hymns**

**Introit: 205 Christ is made a sure foundation**  
**Gradual: 457 The King of love my Shepherd is**  
**Offertory: (Sheet) I will sing the wonderful story**  
**Final: 427 O praise ye the Lord!**

## **The Collect (Opening Prayer) for the 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity:**

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Old Testament reading Exodus 32: 1-14**

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron and said to him, 'Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.' Aaron said to them, 'Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.' So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mould, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, 'Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord.' They rose early the next day, and offered burnt-offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel. The Lord said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!"' The Lord said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.' But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, 'O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, "It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever."' And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

## **Psalm 106: 1-6, 19-23**

## **New Testament Reading: The Letter of Paul to the Philippians 4: 1-9**

Therefore, 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 Reading: Matthew 22: 1-14**

Once more Jesus spoke to them 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.'

### **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, Kay Collier, Alan Nicholls.

***Recently departed:***

***Anniversary of death:*** Clifford Shaw (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:**

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. **Amen.**

**Next week's readings**

**Exodus 33.12–end, Psalm 99, 1 Thessalonians 1.1–10, Matthew 22.15–22**

**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.

**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 in many ways including with events, fundraising and admin. If you feel able to help in any of these areas, please speak to Reverend Julian or one of the Church Wardens.

**Poppies:** Thank you all very much for the poppies you have knitted. Barbara C. is assembling them into another marvellous display to add them to the previous one. So, if you have any more in the pipeline, please finish them off and bring them to church. Have a rest now and maybe do some more for next year. Thank you again all you knitters!

**Integrating our offerings into our Sunday services:** We are currently trialling a more unified approach to the Offertory - an important part of our services. We have re-introduced 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. In order to celebrate and include all who give, if you give electronically (Standing Order, Parish Giving Scheme or Payaz), when you collect the order of service, you are also invited to take a token to put into the purses during the Offertory, enabling all of our offerings to be presented to and blessed by the priest.

**Confirmation service** at Chichester Cathedral on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November**. If you would like to be confirmed by the Bishop in November, please contact Revd Julian.

**The Church Times** will be available at the back of the church for everyone to read. Please leave the most recent copy for others to enjoy but feel free to take any previous copies home with you.

## Community Groups and Events

**The Bear Necessities** is a discussion group for women, which next meets on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October** at The Bear Inn, Pagham. All ages welcome. All views welcome. This is a safe space to discuss current news topics and in doing so, get to know each other better.

**The Alpha Course at Aldwick and Pagham** continues on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October, 7pm-8.15pm** at St Thomas à Becket Church. All are welcome – see details on the flyer at the back of the church.

**Coffee, Cake & Conversation** will be held on **Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October, 10.30am-12noon**, in the Mosse Hall. Please bring along your friends, neighbours and family. If anyone would like to host one of our Coffee, Cake & Conversation events, please contact Christine Eaton-Hennah ([christineeh13@sky.com](mailto:christineeh13@sky.com)). We need volunteers for future dates. Full training on the coffee machine can be given, and it only needs 2 people at a time to make tea/coffee and provide milk and some cakes.

**Children's Light Party** will be held on **Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October, 4pm-6pm** in the Mosse Hall. A fun-filled 2 hours with crafts, story, party food and dancing. £3 per person or £5 per family. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **We are looking for clean, empty jars, with labels removed, to be used for a craft activity.** Please leave them on the table in the porch on Sundays. Deadline: 18<sup>th</sup> October. **If you can help on the day, please get in touch with Monika.**

**Lunch on Sunday** takes place next on **Sunday November 1<sup>st</sup> at 12.45pm** following the Parish Eucharist. We're looking for volunteers to organise it, and lunches in the future. Support will be provided. If you would be interested in organising a lunch, please contact Angela Purser.

**St Richard's Christmas Fayre:** **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November, 10am-1pm** in the Mosse Hall. If you are able to help please contact Christine Eaton-Hennah ([christineeh13@sky.com](mailto:christineeh13@sky.com)), who sings in the choir.

**SUPPORT FOR THE FOODBANK IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER.**



**Urgently needed this week:** Tinned rice puddings, tinned fruit, biscuits, UHT milk, spreads. **We have plenty of:** pulses.