Please remember in your prayers...

Arthur Richard Thomas Pinder who will be baptised this morning.

Those with health concerns at this time:
Beryl Shaw, Doreen Herridge, Margaret
Stephens, Jiemei Clarke, Lucy Mills, Bernice
Carters, Colin Mawdsley, Elizabeth Harris,
Karen Stefan, Elaine Brennan, Christine and
Michelle Frost, Ian Massey and Lowen
Castaignos.

Jim Tomlinson who has recently died.

Those with anniversaries this week: Shirley Anne Hall, Samuel Lunt, Roy Phillips, Frances Porthouse, Joan Hayton, Serena Louise Harding, Sarah Lindley and Colin Marchbank-Smith.

Also for all who live in School Lane.

Coffee morning

Our next monthly coffee morning will be held in Church House this coming Saturday from 10.0





Weekly News Sheet Trinity 9 August 17 2025

Our vicar: Rev Canon Bob Lewis

This morning, in addition to Holy Communion, we have the baptism of Arthur Richard Thomas, son of Ryan and Rebecca Pinder and brother of Will and Alex.

It is also Arthur's first birthday.

We warmly welcome many members of the Rainford and Pinder families and their friends and hope that you enjoy a memorable day.

We look forward to Arthur's confirmation in years to come and pray that he will remain faithful throughout his life.

We also welcome back Rev Arthur Cooper, our vicar from 2018 to 2023, along with Kathleen.

In our reading from Mark's Gospel, the voice from Heaven identifies Jesus as the Son of God, the beloved in whom He is well pleased, referencing the words of Psalm 2 and Isaiah. The Holy Spirit descends on our Lord just as it will this morning upon baby Arthur.

Our hymns are,,,

337 Morning has broken

Back in 1931 Eleanor Farjeon wrote the words for this beautiful hymn which uses a Gaelic melody which we also employ for our Christingle carol. Rick Wakeman of the rock band Yes produced a superb recording of this hymn for Cat Stevens back in 1972 and since then a host of artistes including Neil Diamond and Roger Whittaker have also recorded versions.

311 Lord Jesus Christ

The words and music were by Patrick Appleford, one time curate in London's Poplar, and was inspired by Cliff Richard's pop song Living Doll composed by his fellow East Ender Lionel Bart. Patrick later became Dean of Lusaka Cathedral in Zambia. He died seven years ago.

73 Brother, sister, let me serve you

Richard Gillard, who wrote this hymn, had no musical training but taught himself the guitar and has written many other songs of praise.

153 Give me joy in my heart (omit v4)

The author of this hymn is unknown but it has long been popular. "Sing Hosannah" means to express our admiration and praise of God.

Mark 1 9-15

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptised by John in the Jordan.

- ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending on him like a dove.
- ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."
- ¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness.
- ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan and he was with the wild beasts and the angels waited on him.
- ¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the good news of God,
- ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God has come near; repent and believe in the good news.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ