Parish Magazine of Worksop Priory and St Paul's Manton



September 2025









The Parish Office

Applications for baptisms, weddings, etc:

At the Priory Fridays 10.30am - 11.30am St. Paul's Tuesdays 10.00am - 11.00am

Our Giving

Bank details for standing orders or donations are:

Worksop Priory Parochial Church Council

Virgin Money Sort Code: 05-09-89 Account Number: 38125853

St Paul's Church (Manton) Worksop Parochial Church Council

HSBC Sort Code 40-47-21 Account Number: 20724599

Due to bank charges for processing cheques and cash, we kindly ask that, wherever possible, people donate money using online banking, even for

small amounts. This doesn't cost us a penny. Please indicate in the reference field who it's from, and what for, then we can Gift Aid your donation wherever possible.

You can also donate quickly and easily by scanning our QR code, there is also an option to register to gift aid your donation, it takes a matter of seconds!

Thank you!





Regular Public Worship Times

Sundays

9.30 am Parish Sung Mass with Junior Church

11.15am Parish Sung Mass at St Paul's11.30am Mass at Clumber Chapel

6pm Evening Prayer and Benediction (First Sunday)

Monday - Saturday (when possible)
9am Lauds (Morning Prayer)
6pm Vespers* (Evening Prayer)

Daily Mass

Monday	9.30am	Mass at Priory
Tuesday	9.30am	Mass at St Paul's
Wednesday	9.30am	Mass at Priory
Thursday	6.30pm	Mass at Priory
Friday	12noon	Mass at Priory
Saturday	9.30am	Mass at Priory



Family Worship

Wednesday 10.15 am Songs and Stories for pre-school children and

their parents and carers at Priory

Confessions

Thursday 5.45pm at Priory Friday 11.30am at Priory

other times at Priory and at St Paul's by appointment.

vicar@worksoppriory.co.uk

Weddings and Baptisms by appointment. Enquiries to admin@worksoppriory.co.uk

We aim to make our services as accessible as possible by making the best of the resources available to us across Priory and St Paul parishes.

^{*}On the last Thursday of the month the Rosary replaces Vespers and Mass is offered for the Society of Mary, if no other occasion is being kept that day.

Activities For Children and Young People



All children and young people activities are cross parish ventures putting their joint resources to best use.

Pre-school:

'Songs & Stories', for our youngest [new-born to nursery] and their grownups. We meet every Wednesday 10.15 to 11.30am, in Priory Lady Chapel. We have play with soft toys, sound toys, a ball park, picture books and

baby gyms followed by story and song.

Please see our Facebook page, 'Worksop Priory Family Page' for updates.

Children of primary school age:

Junior Church for children aged 7-11 on Sundays:

- during the 9.30am Parish Mass at Priory
- during the 11.15am Parish Mass at St Paul's

See St Paul's Facebook Page each week for details of other activities for Children and Young People.

Parental consent forms are required for all children and young people accessing any activities unaccompanied.

Registers for August 2025

Funerals

4th Dennis James Charles Canham 12th Margaret Emma Pridmore

21st Lilian Eileen Hill

Baptisms

3rd Reavah-Jo Smith 10th Elowyn Ria Rawson

16th George Andrew Coleman

Baptisms can be booked each Friday morning at the Priory between 10.30am and 11.30am. If you

have queries please email admin@worksoppriory.co.uk

Baptisms can be booked in person at St.Paul's on Tuesday morning between 10.00am and 11.00am. If you have queries please email stpaulmanton@gmail.com

Baptism preparation sessions are held at the Priory on the first Saturday of each month at 5pm. Families registering a Baptism, at either Priory or St Paul's are invited to join our new Facebook

group: Worksop Priory Family Page

Weddings

8th Anthony Ogley & Charlotte Hodgkiss
23rd Aaron Markley & Jessica Blohm

Wedding Blessing

2nd Mark Baines & Colette Guirdham









September 2025

Dates, Observances and Prayer Intentions

1	Feria	Kilton & Larwood
2	Feria	Carburton & Clumber
3	S Gregory	Pope Leo
4	S CUTHBERT	The Parish
5	Feria	Deacon Garnett
6	Of Our Lady	The Shrine at Egmanton
7	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	The Parish
8	The Birthday Of The BVM	The Parish
9	Feria	Manton
10	Feria	Town Centre
11	Feria	Lowtown & Sparken Hill
12	Most Holy Name of Mary	Shrine at Walsingham
13	S John Chrysostom	Churc Visitors
14	The Exaltation of the Cross	The Parish
15	Our Lady of Sorrows	Parents

MONTHLY DEVOTION:

THE SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY

16	SS Cornelius & Cyprian	Church Leaders
17	Feria	Gatehouse Trust
18	Feria	Deanery Clergy
19	Feria	Relief Organisations
20	SS Andrew Kim Taegon & Comps	Persecuted Christians
21	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	The Parish
22	Feria	Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham
23	S Pius Pietrelcina	Priests
24	Our Lady Of Walsingham	Devotion to Our Lady
25	Feria	Bishop Stephen
26	Feria	Bishop Paul
27	S Vincent de Paul	Society of the Holy Cross
28	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	The Parish
29	SS Michael Gabrial & Raphael	Thanksgiving
30	S Jerome	Biblical Scholars & Teachers

Welcoming the new season...

Heavenly Father, as the month of September unfurls its days before us, I pause to acknowledge Your sovereignty over time and seasons. I am deeply aware that each day is a gift from You, a blank page on which Your will can be inscribed. September often marks a time of change – the waning of summer, the beginning of autumn, the start of new academic and fiscal years for many.

I pray for Your grace and guidance as we navigate these transitions.

God of wisdom and understanding, as this month heralds the changing colors of nature and shifts in weather, let it also be a season of spiritual renewal in our lives. In the midst of busy schedules and new challenges that often come with this month, may we not neglect our relationship with You.

Strengthen our resolve to seek You diligently, setting aside time for prayer, meditation on Your Word, and fellowship with other believers. Amen.

Fr Spicer writes....

Much of our lives revolve around school, college and University terms. Whether its returning to work in a place of education ourselves, maybe, or sending children off to start or join a new class . Or simply that its now quieter and cheaper to go away on holiday. September marks a new beginning for most of us. At Priory under the headship of Mr Houghton, we have a dedicated and professional staff who go beyond what is normally expected to ensure our local youngsters get an outstanding and rounded education. Please pray for them and all working in education. In some ways they have the most important roles in our Society, educating and bringing up future generations. They should be encouraged, honoured, respected and valued by us all.

On September 7th 6.30pm Mr Robert Garnett will have a new beginning in



his life as a Christian as Bishop Stephen ordains him Deacon to serve in Priory and Clumber. Please pray for him too as he settles into 6 Conrad Close, Worksop and the diocese. It will take him a while to get to know us all but will help if you introduce yourself to him— maybe more than once, and welcome him to our churches and into your homes.

BACK TO SCHOOL

So is there a new beginning or season in your life for you too? It may not be a new role or move, but September can be a time to take stock and think and pray how does God want me to live my life? What is He asking of me. Pray "Come Holy Spirit, enkindle in me the fire of your love" If you are stuck don't hesitate to speak with a brother or sister, or a priest.. It may be hearing someone else's perspective opens your heart and mind to hear and see how God wants you to achieve your potential as a valued daughter or son.

May God bless our teachers, Fr Garnett and each of us, as the seasons of life change.

Celebrating the Harvest

The Season of Creation (also known as Creationtide) is a time observed by denominations globally to reflect specifically on God's wider creation, His relationship to it and our own relationship with it. During this five week period, 1 September – 4 October, Christians and churches are invited to pray.

September 1st is Creation Day (also S Giles Day) and Mass will be celebrated at 9.30am in the Lady Chapel 4th October is S Francis Day and Mass will again be celebrated at 9.30am in the Lady Chapel.

During these days we pray especially for a deeper understanding of the role everyone has as a steward of our world and what part each of us can play in it.

Sunday 21st September S Paul's will be celebrating Harvest Thanksgiving at 11.15am and then 12.30pm a bring and share Harvest Lunch in the Hall. Please let Mary know if you'd like to attend lunch and what you might bring.

Sunday 5th October Priory will give thanks for the Harvest at the 9.30am Mass and at Evensong & Benediction with the Choir at 6pm. Clumber Chapel will have their Thanksgiving Mass at 11.30am.

There will be a Harvest Lunch in Priory Church 12.30pm that day – please sign up on the list to book a place.

Let us give thanks to the Lord for He is good and His mercy endures for ever.



A warm welcome to Worksop Priory!

Curacy Focus

Hello. My name is Robert Garnett and I'm hoping to come to Worksop soon to serve as Assistant Curate, following my ordination as deacon by the Bishop of Beverley on 7th September.

It's been an unusual journey to get here. Growing up, I felt a sense of vocation but was told I should go and get some experience of the world before embarking on selection and training. I'm sure this was good advice; however, I followed it for rather longer than I'd planned and ended up working for over 20 years with overseas relief and development charities, in the Balkans, central Africa and elsewhere. For the last seven years I've been living on a small Scottish island, Great Cumbrae, which has the smallest cathedral in the British Isles and where I rediscovered a sense of vocation and went on to train for the sacred priesthood through the Scottish Episcopal Institute.

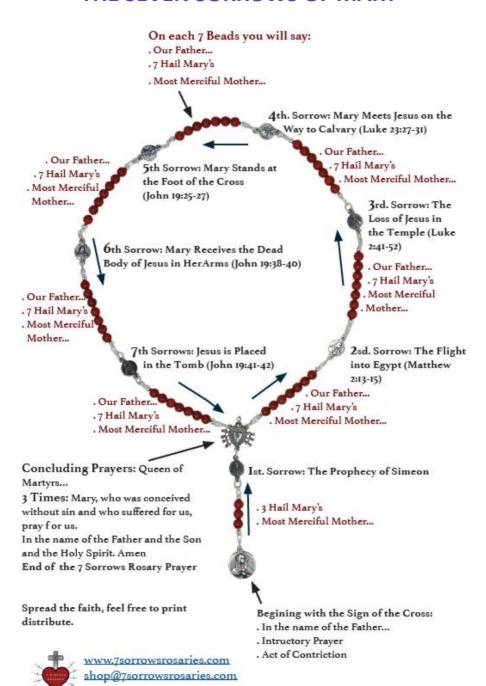
If all that sounds aa far cry from Worksop, I should say that I was born in Chesterfield and grew up in north-east Derbyshire. I also had grandparents who lived near Doncaster, so this part of the world is quite familiar to me.

I would ask for your prayers as I prepare to come to Worksop and to be made a deacon in God's Church. It's a huge privilege to be called to serve the people of the Priory, St Paul's and Our Lady's Chapel in Clumber Park, three wonderful but very different churches, and to have the opportunity to work under Fr Spicer's guidance. I very much look forward to getting to know you all.



Robert

THE SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY



Memories of Worksop Priory...

Talking with Susan Bekisz about the Parish Magazine, possible new features, feedback and involving the wider congregation in its production, we thought it might be interesting to have thumbnail sketches of people, in the manner of the P.C.C. members in the July edition.

People come to the Priory from many different directions. I was born in Sheffield and attended St. Mary's church in Handsworth, where I met Alan at the Parish Youth Club. He wasn't a church-goer really, but the Youth Club welcomed all young people! We were married in Handsworth in 1964, after I'd done my teacher training course at Ripon. We moved around over the years, with Alan's job in the Magistrates' Courts and in 1975, we came to

live in Worksop.



I started coming to services at Worksop Priory, when our children attended what was then, the Abbey school. The Infants were taught in what is now the BCVS office and also the building on Cheapside which now houses the Nottinghamshire Training Group. The Juniors were taught in what has been converted into apartments for over 55s on Memorial Avenue.

Canon Boulton was the incumbent at that time and there was a succession of curates over the years, including Father Tony Snasdell, who taught in the Junior department at the school. I did some supply teaching there, meeting

Graham Hutchinson and Marian Davies, who were on the permanent staff. Gradually, I got more and more drawn into the life of the Priory – becoming a member and Secretary to the P.C.C. for a number of years; serving as a Foundation Governor at then new Priory school; helping to organise the Mothers` Union and leading `Hymns and Prayers`



sessions at the Victoria Care Home.

Our daughter, Jane, was confirmed and later, married at the Priory and our four grandchildren were all baptised there. It is a continuing privilege and blessing to be involved in the life of Worksop Priory, its people and worship.

Ginny Darby

Photos:

Ginny's daughter Jane as Rose Queen (c.1974)

Neli Bam, visitor from Natal where she was a Mothers Union leader (2006)

Ginny's daughter Jane's wedding at Priory

Mothers Union Long Service Awards: P Coleman, Edwards, M M Dickinson with L Parker—Diocesan President (October 2011)

Churchwardens: K Stubbins, G Wild and Fr Holdridge.





The Nativity of the Virgin Mary - 8th September

In both eastern and western Churches, Mary has always been held as preeminent among all the saints. The unique, extraordinary privilege of being the mother of the One who was both God and Man, makes her worthy of special honour. Thomas Aquinas believed she was due hyperdulia, or a veneration that exceeds that of other saints, but is at the same time infinitely below the adoration, or latria, due to God alone.

The gospels of Matthew and Luke give Mary most mention. Luke even tells the story of Jesus' infancy from Mary's point of view. Her Song, or Magnificat appears in Luke 1:46-55.

The virginal conception of Christ is clearly stated in the gospels. But after Jesus' birth, Mary fades quietly into the background. During Jesus' public life, she is mentioned only occasionally, as at the wedding at Cana. She reappears at the foot of the Cross (John's Gospel), and is given into John's care. In the early chapters of Acts, Mary is with the Apostles, and received the Holy Spirit along with them on Whitsunday. But her role was not the active one of teaching and preaching.

Mary's significance grew with the centuries. By the fifth century she was called Theotokos, The Mother of God, and from the seventh century onwards, she was given four festivals: the Presentation in the Temple (2nd February), the Annunciation (25th March), the Assumption (15th August) and her Nativity (8th September).

Marian devotion has played an enormous role in the church down the years. Mary has been the object of countless prayers, accredited with performing many miracles, and the subject of thousands of artistic endeavours. She has had hundreds of chapels or parish churches named after her. During the Reformation many images of Mary were destroyed. The Second Vatican Council 1962 made an extended statement on her, stressing her complete dependence on her Son, and regarding her as a model of the Church.

Principal Marian shrines of today include Lourdes (France), Fatima (Portugal), Walsingham (England), Loreto (Italy), Czesochowa (Poland) and Guadalupe (Mexico).

Source: saintjohnschurch.co.uk

The Feast of the Holy Cross Sunday 14th September

This year the Feast of the Holy Cross takes precedence over the keeping of the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, giving us the opportunity to give thanks for the Cross in a way that Good Friday doesn't allow.

The Society of the Holy Cross - or SSC from the Latin Societas Sanctae Crucis - is a Congregation of priests in the Anglican Communion, who live and minister under a common Rule of Life There are currently over 630 members around the world in parishes, missions, chaplaincies, schools and other areas of pastoral ministry, committed to witnessing to the Cross of Christ by their lives and ministry.

The Society of the Holy Cross (SSC) was founded in London in 1855 by a small group of Anglo-Catholic priests led by Father Charles Lowder. At a time when the Catholic Revival in the Church of England was threatened by persecution and misunderstanding, these priests came together for support, mutual prayer and encouragement. Fr Lowder spelled out the objects of SSC: "To defend and strengthen the spiritual life of the clergy, to defend the faith of the Church, and to carry on and aid Mission work both at home and abroad". The members of this society, meeting together as they did in prayer and conference, were deeply impressed with the evils existing in the Church, and saw also, in the remedies adopted by St Vincent de Paul, the hope of lessening them.

Priests of the Society live under a common Rule and meet together in their local SSC Chapters every month or two for prayer, Mass and some kind of study or conversation. Presiding over the Society worldwide is a Master-General who has a special responsibility to ensure an on-going fidelity among the Brethren to the spirit of the Society. Fr Spicer has the privilege of being the elected Worldwide Master of the Society.

SSC is not a devotional guild, but takes its stance upon a shared vision of :'a disciplined priestly life fashioned after a definite spiritual rule.' It is this Rule of Life which unites the Brethren in their various priestly minis-

tries and lives. Chapter meetings and annual Regional and Provincial Synods. The life of the Society is experienced primarily through the local Chapter, and attendance at Chapter is of obligation unless prevented by genuine pastoral duties. Priests of the Society can be recognized by the small gold lapel cross that they generally wear. On it is inscribed themotto of the Society - in hoc signo vinces - in this sign, conquer!

Brethren tithe each year to Mission Direct and the fund is boosted by donations from individuals and parishes. Many of you contributed through a Lent box thank you – we were able to send £687.95 this year. All the money donated is given out each year to support Missionary initiatives and events. Collecting boxes are available from Church if you would like to use one during the year.



SAFEGUARDING AT WORKSOP PRIORY
What to do it you have a safeguarding concern:

Urgent concerns

If you believe someone is at immediate risk of being harmed you must contact either the Police or Social Services directly:

Police 999

Nottinghamshire Multi-Agency

Safeguarding Hub (MASH) 0300 500 8090/0300 456 4546

Non-urgent concerns

If the concern is not urgent or an emergency, Worksop Priory has a Parish Safeguarding Officer – Susan Bekisz, who manages safeguarding issues at church. She can be contacted on safeguarding@worksoppriory.co.uk alternatively you can call 07355 850735. This phone cannot always be answered immediately, but you can leave a message. We will endeavour to respond within 48 hours.

There may be occasions when our Safeguarding Officer is not available. If we have not responded within 36 hours after you have raised a concern, consider the following options to get advice:

Fr Spicer 01909 472180 or 07748 653640 Diocesan Safeguarding Team 01636 817200

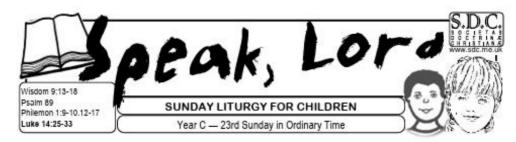


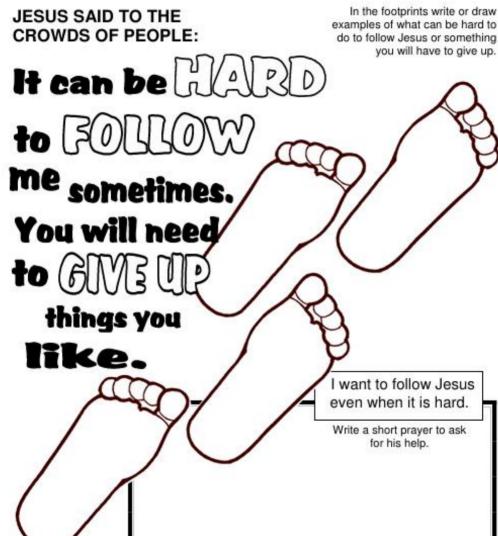
Children's Liturgy

Every Sunday

Priory Church 9.30am

St Paul's Church 11.15am







Year C — 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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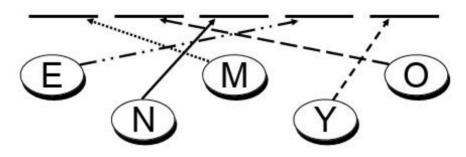
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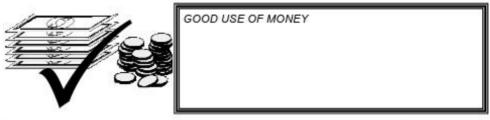


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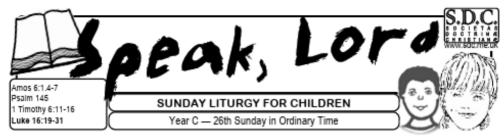


GOOD AND BAD USES OF MONEY

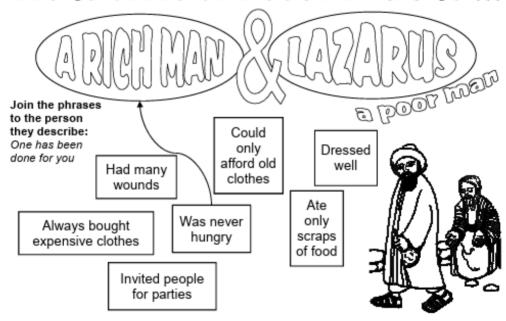
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September Puzzle Page



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THANKSGIVING

DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.

Iceland update...

Thank you all so much for your support in helping me have the most amazing experience: Regardless of the weather, which started out with 57mph winds and driving rain as we landed in Iceland and needed to put our tents up in, we had the most amazing time with fantastic experiences

and lots of memories made. Even meeting the English ambassador for Iceland and seeing at one point 10 whales at once.









Remembering events of Septembers gone - 8th - 2022

Queen Elizabeth II, the UK's longest reigning monarch, died peacefully at Balmoral at the age of 96.

After becoming Queen in 1952 aged 25, Elizabeth II witnessed significant

social change during her reign. She has been described by many as a constant, comforting, and reassuring presence in our everchanging world.

The Queen's funeral was held on 19th September, and, according to BBC News, was watched by 28 million viewers in the UK.



Have you considered leaving a legacy?

Once you have made provision for your loved ones, you have the opportunity to make a lasting gift to God, by leaving a legacy to His church. Leaving a gift in your Will to your local church is one of the most valuable and lasting ways you can continue to support the mission and ministry in your community.

A gift can be an expression of your gratitude and thanksgiving towards God, and can help keep your local church alive, and help transform its fu-

ture.

Making a Difference

For many churches, regular giving is absorbed in 'keeping the show on the road'. This usually involves everyday activities such as paying the parish share, insuring and heating the building, repairing the roof etc.

A gift from your estate is different.

O LORD our God, all this store that we have prepared to build you an house for your holy name comes of your hand, and is all your own.

—1 Chronicles 29:16

For example, a gift in your Will could support your church's ministry to young people, refurbish the kitchen, support an overseas mission partner, help to reorder the church, or preserve historic features etc..

No matter how large or small, each gift can make a significant impact on our mission and ministry, and maintaining our spiritual heritage.

Please consider how a gift in your Will could help the Church meet the needs of future generations.

To leave a share of your estate

"I give ______% of my residuary estate free of all taxes to the Parochial Church Council of the ecclesiastical parish of _____ (registered charity number if applicable) _____ in the Diocese of _____ for its general purposes, and I declare that the receipt of an officer of the Parochial Church Council shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors

and trustees."

To leave a fixed sum of money

"I give the sum of £_____ (pounds only) free of all taxes to the Parochial Church Council of the ecclesiastical parish of_____ (registered charity number if applicable) _____ in the Diocese of_____ for its general purposes, and I declare that the receipt of an officer of the Parochial Church

Council shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors and trustees."

You are strongly advised to seek professional advice when making or revising your Will.



2025 CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 3rd-7th DECEMBER

It still seems a bit early to be thinking about Christmas, but as the days gradually grow shorter, Advent

and Christmas will be upon us before we know it!

The Worksop Community Christmas Tree Festival is a fabulous event to be able to host at Priory, the church looks beautiful with the decorated and lit trees from all the wonderful local community groups and charities, representing very worthy causes.

This year as well as holding the Priory Christmas Fayre on the Saturday, we plan to welcome Carlton Main Frickley Colliery Band for a Christmas Concert in the evening.

Please look out for the notices coming soon asking if anyone is able to help welcome and offer refreshments to visitors throughout the festival. The more offers of help the lighter the workload for all! If you'd like to help please contact me on 07355 850735 or admin@worksoppriory.co.uk A huge thank you to everyone who helped last year the festival couldn't have happened without you all!

Susan (Administrator)

SEPTEMBER FACTS!

- * The name "September" comes from an old Roman word, "septem," which actually means 7. That's right September was the seventh month of the year on the Roman calendar It did not become the ninth month until the advent of the Gregorian calendar.
- * The Romans believed that September was looked after by the god of fire. So they always expected fires and volcanic eruptions to occur during this month.
- * Out of all 12 months of the year, September is spelled with the most letters. It contains nine letters, and it happens to be the ninth month of the year. No other months have the same amount of letters as their number in the calendar year.

Sunday 7th September 2025

At 6.30pm Sunday 7th September Bishop Stephen will preside at the Mass and Ordination to the Diaconate of Fr Robert Garnett, in the presence of the Bishop of Sherwood, Archdeacon of Newark, Diocesan Registrar, Director of Ordinands, Area Dean, Civic guests and many visitors. Everyone is welcome to be present—please sign the list in Priory Church to help with catering. If you would like to make a financial donation towards the cost of the refreshments please place it in an envelope on the Offertory plate or make a bank transfer.

To help us all attend the 9.30am and 11.15am Masses will be said with no hymns or Junior Church and there will not be a 11.30am Mass in Clumber Chapel.

Fr Garnett is setting up home in 6 Conrad Close; please place donations to his household or welcome to Worksop, in the box in Priory Church.

Above all please surround Fr Garnett with your prayers. Thank you.

'My Favourite Hymn' Jenny Majewski writes...

My favourite hymn right from my school days. A good rousing start to the day at morning assembly.

Dave and I were lucky enough to travel 'St James Way' Camino de Santiago from the Pyrenees to Santiago de Compostela.

Pilgrims from all over the world happily walking the 600km, strengthening their faith. How I envied them their efforts as we were in the comfort of the car.

On arrival at the Great Cathedral such a sense of pride and achievement, finding yourself

and feeling nearer to God.

A true pathway of know-ledge.



HE WHO WOULD VALIANT BE (TO BE A PILGRIM)

He who would valiant be 'gainst all disaster,

Let him in constancy follow the Master. There's no discouragement shall make him once relent

His first avowed intent to be a pilgrim.

Who so beset him round with dismal stories

Do but themselves confound his strength the more is.

No foes shall stay his might; though he with giants fight,

He will make good his right to be a pilgrim.

Since, Lord, Thou dost defend us with Thy Spirit,

We know we at the end, shall life inherit. Then fancies flee away! I'll fear not what men say,

I'll labor night and day to be a pil-grim.

John Bunyan 1684

The Camino de Santiago, or the Way of St.
James in English, is a network of pilgrims'
ways or pilgrimages leading to the shrine of
the apostle James in the cathedral of Santiago
de Compostela in Galicia in northwestern Spain, where tradition holds that the remains of the apostle are buried. Pilgrims follow its routes as a form of spiritual path or
retreat for their spiritual growth. It is also
popular with hikers, cyclists, and organized
tour groups

S Paul's Worksop.

Many of you will know that S Paul's has been struggling financially for a number of years now. This would have come to a head in January were it not for a generous benefactor who wished to support the life and witness of the Church and Hall. After much prayer and discussion Fr Spicer and the Churchwardens have offered their resignation to Bishop Paul with effect from September 30th and Bishop Paul has understood and accepted them. Fr Spicer will continue in his role as Vicar of the Priory with Carburton & Clumber.

This means that as of October 1st Fr Spicer will no longer have any responsibilty of the parish, though will obviously continue to support as asked, particularly with the activities in the Hall. Mary and Maddy will continue in a volunteer capacity with the Hall too.

The Parish will go into an interregnum under the supervision of the Area Dean and the normal process of the discernment about what to do next will begin. Please direct any enquires about Services to him. Please pray that God's will will be discerned for the Church and Hall and so for all the peoples of the parish.

Sunday 21st September we will keep a Thanksgiving for the Harvest Mass at 11.15am followed by the APCM to which all are invited .Then at 12.30pm we will have a Bring & Share lunch in the hall - please let Mary know if you would like to join us for lunch and what you will be bringing.

Thank you if you have been supporting my and the wardens' ministry at S Paul's by attending Mass regularly, contributing generously to funds, and in prayer. There have been many blessings experienced during these past few years for which we are to be most thankful. Whilst there is a sadness to this, Scripture assures us that everything is for a season, and its clear that one season is now drawing to a close, so another season can begin.



WORKSOP PRIORY & GATEHOUSE

National Heritage Open Day

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR:
SERVING REFRESHMENTS
WELCOMING - CHURCH & GATEHOUSE CHAPE

DONATIONS NEEDED:

CAKES, BUNS, SCONES ETC..
TOMBOLA PRIZES, BOOKS AND BRIC-A-BRAC

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO RAISE FUNDS FOR CHURCH BY
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PLEASE COMPLETE THE SIGN UP SHEET IN CHURCH TO
INDICATE THE HOURS YOU CAN VOLUNTEER

SATURDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 10AM-4PM

heritage open days

Abendmusik - Evening Music

This is a semi-sacred concert format popularised in the North German town of Lübeck around 1700, run and staffed by Diderik Buxtehude, the Danish organist whom Bach admired, copied, and famously walked 40 miles to go and hear. Well, some things are worth keeping and this is one of them. It is in the nature of an open-house concert, with no prayers or readings, but the music is a mixture of sacred cantatas and secular instrumental works, lasting about an hour and given in a relaxed but quiet environment.

Our version

We are going to use this format for a concert on Friday December 19th with an Advent theme, using music by Bach and Buxtehude. I think we can dare to say we will do extracts from Bach's Cantata on Wachet Auf (more widely known as Wake, O wake, a voice is calling, from the hymn book) and some solo cello pieces played by my USA friend Annabel Gordon who recently played for us in Midday Music, and hopefully a concerto movement for another instrument, and then a very attractive Magnificat setting by Buxtehude himself. This takes us on the Advent journey from the wake-up call through to Mary's great hymn of gratitude for the salvation she was chosen to carry and bring to birth; by Dec 19th everyone else will be bursting with mincemeat and draped in tinsel, but this is the real deal. Annabel is part of the trigger for this idea – she volunteered to visit

Worksop next time she is in the UK, at her own expense, to "support what you're doing with the choir and with the music outreach here". Well, I am not going to refuse THAT and so having cleared it with Fr Spicer, we are working on the plans now.

The inspiration

There is a lot of background stuff about the Lübeck Marienkirche here https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/St._Mary%27s_Church,_L%C3%BCbeck



Lübecker Marienkirche

and my organ teacher, Nick Danby, used to record there and spend weeks at a time in the place. I have never been, but heard so much from him about it that it is rather in my musical DNA now. The RAF bombed the town on the night of Palm Sunday 1942, during which raid the Marienkirche lost most of its roof, the organ, and many other medieval artworks and treasures. Restoration followed post-war. It is still a hub for music, teaching the faith, prayer, and action.

What of the Advent Procession Services?

Since Fr Vyse and myself plotted the Seasonal Procession services, we have enacted them each year and refreshed the content with slightly changed Readings and music. Fr Spicer and I both feel that this is due for a rest, since there is only so much refreshing one can do with the resources we can muster, and a change of mind would be good for a bit. The non-liturgical format of the Abendmusik allows us also to invite people who might well not want to be at a service, for whatever reason. The experience of the Baroque Vespers concert we were given by visiting musicians back in February rather demonstrates that people will feel bolder about attending a sacred concert than they might about turning up to a service. In the busiest time of the year, there are those who value the stillness and profundity of something like this, and I think we will need to advertise it on that ticket (else people turn up expecting a carols sing-along and are mighty miffed as a result). For many, Advent is another word for December, and their Christmas begins on December 1st. That is entirely upside-down, but not much good comes of bewailing that without offering an alternative opportunity. So here we go.

Rosemary Field, Director of Music



Worksop Priory C of E Primary Academy



Welcome to Priory Nursery and Reception



Our Nursery Times are:

Morning – 8:30am to 11:30am Afternoon – 12:30am to 3:30pm



We offer some fun groups to attend with your little one, either before your child starts with us or once they are at Nursery.

Playgroup @ Priory Nursery

Activities, dancing, stories and rhymes for the under 5's. Every Monday 1.15 – 2.15pm.

Family Fitness

Action activities with stories and rhymes for the under 5's. Tuesday 3.30-4:15pm. Runs for six weeks each term, please contact the office for dates.

Wiggly Worship at Priory Church

For the under 5's (pram service), every Wednesday 10.15-11.15am.



We look forward to seeing you!

Contact the Academy Office on 01909 478886

Or email office@worksoppriory.snmat.org.uk



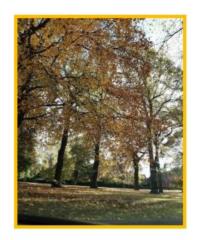
MIDDAY MUSIC AT WORKSOP PRIORY September & October 2025

THURDAYS AT 12 NOON

for half an hour

Free entry; hot drinks; optional collection for concert expenses.

Level access; parking; toilets.



Sept 4	Rosemary Field – Director of Music, Worksop	
	presents music in context for St. Cuthbert's day	
Sept 11	Tim Selman, Organ - Organ Scholar, Lincoln	
	A mixed programme suited to the Collins organ	
Sept 18	Laurena Kumar-Lee, Soprano - Gap year student, Worksop	
	Varied repertoire from this school-leaver soprano	
Sept 25	Chapel Hill Duo, Violin and Cello – Chapel Hill, Ropsley	
	Jazz, film, popular and classical arrangements	
Oct 2	Thomas Keough, Organ – Leicester	
	Thomas once studied here, and is returning fully-fledged	
Oct 9	tbc	
Oct 16	Mosaic Recorder Quintet	
Oct 23	Simeon Walker - Piano, style-tribute-composer	





Everyone Welcome £5 per bag Cash Only

> Come and visit our second hand community shop. Items from 10p. All clothes £1 per item

Tuesday: 2 to 3 pm
Wednesday: 6 to 7.00pm
Join us on Tuesdays from 12pm for
communitea, have a cuppa, biscuit and a chat
St Paul's Church Hall, Pelham Street











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The Hundred Club

This is one of our main fundraisers here at Priory. The cost remains £1 per week and we have prizes of £20, £10 and $2 \times £5$ weekly, £100 twice yearly and £500 annually.

For joining the club please see Ivy either at:



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Thanks for the support!

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September

Tue 2 6.30pm Priory PCC

Thur 4 Midday Music concert series resumes (page 33)

Fri 5 10am School beginning of year service

Sun 7 6.30pm Ordination to the Diaconate of Robert Garnett (page 26)
Sat 13 Worksop Priory & Gatehouse National Heritage Open Day (page 29)
Sun 21 12.30pm St Paul's Bring & Share Lunch—preceded by Sunday Mass &

PCC

Tue 23-26 Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham

October

Sun 5 Harvest Festival with Parish Lunch at 12.30pm

December

Wed 3-7 Christmas Tree Festival Sat 6 Priory Christmas Fayre

Sat 6 Carlton Main Frickley Colliery Band Concert

CAN YOU HELP CO-ORDINATE THE 100 CLUB?



100 CLUB

We are still looking for someone to assist with running the 100 Club when lvy steps down this month.

Please do consider if you are able to help co-ordinate this incredibly important fundraising scheme. You will have the full support of Keith (Treasurer to the PCC) and Susan (Parish Administrator) who have developed systems to simplify the work involved and reduce the amount of cash being handled by the co-ordinator. Please have a chat with Ivy (07846 245859), Keith (07500 781759) or Susan (07355 850735) to find out more.

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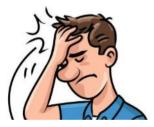
Please send articles or news for the October 2025 magazine to admin@worksoppriory.co.uk by Monday 15th September at the latest.

Something to make you smile...

A joke about Creation

An atheist scientist came to God and said, "We've figured out how to make a man without you." God said,





"OK, let me see you do it." So the atheist bent down to the ground and scooped up a handful. But God stopped him and said, "Oh, no you don't. Get your own dirt!"

BASSETLAW FOOD BANK



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There are donation boxes in Priory and St Paul's churches

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Sundays

9.30 am Parish Mass with Junior Church at Priory

11.15am Parish Mass with Junior Church at St Paul's

11.30am Mass at Clumber Chapel

6pm Evening Prayer and Benediction at Priory

(First Sunday)

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