ST EDWARD'S
CHEDDLETON

Pew Sheet

Sunday 25 October 2026

11am Parish Eucharist

The Last Sunday after Trinity

It's wonderful to have you with us this morning, as we gather to worship together in this beautiful parish church. Don't hesitate to speak to our sidesperson if there is anything you need, and please do come and join us in the Choir House for refreshments after the service.

A loop system is installed in Church. If you wear a hearing aid, please tune it to 'T'.
If you need gluten free communion wafers, please make yourself known to the vicar, a churchwarden or any church officials.

Today's Team

President & Preacher	Revd Henry
Readers	Andy & Agnes
Organist	Ellie
Duty Warden	Mary
Server	Agnes
Sidesperson	Agnes & Carole
Intercessions	Agnes
Refreshments	Carole

Thanks also to our wonderful bellringers.

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Hymns

Mission Praise

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He Who Would Valiant Be	224
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Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, I Go	159

Thoughts & Prayers

Kindly remember in your prayers the school and their families, and the wider school community.

Prayers have also been asked for **Isabel, Bill, Joyce, Christine, Sarah, Deb, Jean, Barbara**, **Andrew P**, **Lyn**, **Andrew**, **Karen, Sylvia Goodliffe**, and **Ester Young.**

Please pray, too, for the family and friends of **Mollie Swift**, **Paul Kelly**, **Ivan Cope, Reg** and **Stephen Spooner** who died recently.

Collect

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Readings

Leviticus 19.1–2, 15–18

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying:
Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them:
You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.

[…]

You shall not render an unjust judgement; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbour. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbour: I am the Lord.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbour, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people,
but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1

1 Blessed are they who have not walked
in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the assembly of the scornful.

2 **Their delight is in the law of the Lord**
and they meditate on his law day and night.

3 Like a tree planted by streams of water
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither,
whatever they do, it shall prosper.

4 **As for the wicked, it is not so with them;**
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

5 Therefore the wicked shall not be able to stand in the judgement,
nor the sinner in the congregation of the righteous.

6 **For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,**
but the way of the wicked shall perish.

1 Thessalonians 2. 1–8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully maltreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Matthew 22.34–end

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' He said to him, '"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: 'What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?' They said to him, 'The son of David.' He said to them, 'How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

"The Lord said to my Lord,
'Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet'"?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?' No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

What's On @ St Edward's

Monday 26 October	Morning Prayer 8:30am Community Café 10am
Tuesday 27 October	Morning Prayer 8:30am
Wednesday 28 October	Morning Prayer 8:30am Holy Communion 6pm Bell Ringing Practice 7:15pm
Thursday 29 October	NO Morning Prayer
Friday 30 October	NO Morning Prayer
Saturday 31 October	//
Sunday 1 November	Joint Choral Eucharist (**at All Saints!) 10am**

Looking Ahead

Sunday 8 November	Civic Service with Act of Remembrance **10am**
Sunday 15 November	Team Confirmation Service (**at St Luke's, Leek**) **10.30am** **Story Church** 3pm
Sunday 22 November	Parish Eucharist 11am
Sunday 29 November	Joint Eucharist **10am (Gift Service!)**
Sunday 6 December	Parish Eucharist 9:15am

Notices

Gift Service: 29 November

Please join us for our Joint Parish Eucharist at 10am on Sunday 29 November, as we celebrate the start of Advent with our annual Gift Service.

We are collecting gifts for the Women's Refuge, helping to bring a little comfort and joy to women and families who may be facing a difficult time this Christmas.

Please leave gifts unwrapped; donations of wrapping paper and sticky tape would also be very welcome.

Memorial Service

Our annual service to remember loved ones who have died will take place on Friday, 6 November, 6pm.
If you would like the name of a deceased friend or relative read out during the service, please add them to the list at the back of church.

All Saints Day

As in the past, we have been invited to celebrate All Saints Day (1 November) with our friends at All Saints Church in Leek. It would be wonderful to have a good group of people from St Edward's to support the community at All Saints!

Christmas Is Coming…

Sunday, 20 December: Carol Service at 6pm

Thursday, 24 December: Living Nativity at 3pm

Thursday, 24 December: "Midnight" Mass at 8pm

Friday, 25 December: Christmas Day Eucharist **at All Saints** (10am)