

MONDAY 20th OCTOBER

TUESDAY 21st OCTOBER

9am Morning Prayer 10am – 2pm Coffee Shop
11am Laburnum Court Communion 7pm RBL Band Practice
7.30pm ASPT Meeting

WEDNESDAY 22nd OCTOBER

9am Morning Prayer 9.30am Toddler Time 10am Leighton Rose Communion
7.30pm Team Council Meeting

THURSDAY 23rd OCTOBER

9am Morning Prayer 10am Holy Communion (Canon Grant/Geoff Huskisson)

FRIDAY 24th OCTOBER

9am Morning Prayer 10am – 2pm Coffee Shop 6.30pm Young Singers Club
6.30pm Trebles Choir Practice 7.30pm Full Choir Practice

SATURDAY 25th OCTOBER *Crispin and Crispinian, Martyrs at Rome, c. 287*

9am Holy Communion (Canon Grant) 10am – 12noon Coffee Shop

SUNDAY 26th OCTOBER

Trinity 19

Bible Sunday

2am British Summer Time Ends – clocks go back 1 hour
8am Holy Communion (Canon Don/Laurelin Burge)
9.30am Parish Eucharist (Canon Malcolm/Laurelin Burge) *also live-streamed*
6pm Evening Prayer (John Wallace)

We would like to politely request that you turn off your mobile phones or switch them to flight-safe mode.

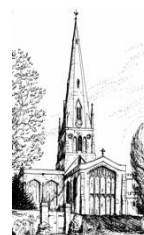
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Sunday 19th October 2025

Trinity 18

We warmly welcome all visitors and newcomers to our church. If any of you are from other denominations and are accustomed to receiving Communion in your own church you are welcome to here. Please notify a sidesperson if you require a gluten free wafer. For the hard of hearing the church is equipped with a loop system. Switch to T please. The news sheet is for you to retain and use for reference and prayer.

“Keep Praying and Don’t Lose Heart” - Reflection on Luke 18:1-8

In this week’s Gospel, Jesus tells the story of a widow who refuses to give up. She keeps coming to an unjust judge, pleading for justice until he finally gives in - not because he is good, but because she is persistent. Jesus uses this simple but powerful story to remind us to “pray always and not lose heart.”

It’s easy to become discouraged when our prayers seem unanswered or when the world feels unjust. Yet, this parable teaches us that God is not like the reluctant judge. Our loving Father hears every cry, treasures every prayer, and acts with perfect justice and mercy - though not always in the timing or way we expect.

Faith, Jesus tells us, is not passive - it’s active, patient, and persistent. Like the widow, we are called to keep turning to God in prayer, trusting that He is listening and working even when we cannot see it.

So this week, let’s take heart. Let’s keep praying for peace, for loved ones, for healing, for hope - and trust that our persistence in faith will draw us ever closer to the heart of God.

“When the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on the earth?” (Luke 18:8)

May He find it in us - faith that prays, hopes, and never gives up.

Rev. Dave

IN YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE REMEMBER

Sick: Carol Steward, John Brennan, Susan Burge, James Nurse,
Peter Metcalfe, Teresa Lamb, Lyn Randall, Sheila Tate, Sue Revis,
Steve Cross, Pauline Lyon, Richard Kerr

RIP: Muriel Bridgford, June Masters, Maureen Dykes

Year's Mind: Hugh Harmer, Adelaide Lack, Jeffrey Rudom, Pat Harris,
Eric Underwood, John Skinner, Derry Tew, Harrold Rolls

In our Team: Pray for The White House and Town Council Employees

In the World: Pray for One World Week

In the Diocese: Pray for Prison Chaplains

In the Wider Church: Pray for The Church of the Province of South East Asia

NOTICES

TODDLER TIME ASSISTANT: We are looking for a volunteer to help with our popular Toddler Time child and carer group, every Wednesday morning during term time from approx. 8am until noon. The role involves setting up, assisting during the morning and packing away, with some carrying and lifting required. For more information please contact the office.

SHOE BOX APPEAL: If you would like to help fill a Christmas Shoebox to be delivered to some of the poorest people in Eastern Europe, 'Link to Hope' Charity would be most grateful. Please see the poster and fliers for more information. All boxes to be handed to Rosie Dawson by the end of October latest.

TREE FESTIVAL 21st – 23rd NOVEMBER: Please sign up on the board in church if you are able to help during the weekend.

TREE FESTIVAL DRAW: As a fundraiser to culminate during the Christmas Tree Festival we are organising a Grand Draw. We should be grateful if as many of you as possible would be willing to take a packet of tickets to sell to friends and family. The first prize is £250, so it is well worth buying a ticket. The draw will take place on 22nd November.

CLOCKS GO BACK: British Summertime ends at 2am on Sunday 26th October. Please remember to put your clocks back by 1 hour.

FR. IAN SMITH invites you to his Institution as Rector by The Bishop of Bedford and his Installation and Induction by The Archdeacon of Bedford, for the Benefice of Toddington and Chalgrave, on Monday 27th October at 7.30pm at St. George of England Church Toddington. If you would like to attend, please let Lindsay know so that we can let them know numbers in advance.

ARTS FESTIVAL: All Saints is hosting the Arts Festival on Friday 31st October & Saturday 1st November. The Coffee Shop will be open extended hours on these days.

BIBLE BOOK CLUB: The next Bible Book Club will meet at 7pm in the Saunders Room in St Barnabas Church Hall on Friday 14th November. We will be discussing Psalms 100 - 150. We have also fixed the last one of the year, which will be on Friday 12th December, when we will be discussing chapters 1-4 of both the Gospels of Matthew and Luke.

ALL SAINTSTIDE

ALL SAINTS' DAY: Saturday 1st November Holy Communion 9am.

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY: Sunday 2nd November Holy Communion 8am; Parish Eucharist 9.30am; Messy Mass 11.30am; Festal Evensong with Commemoration of 40 years since the fire, followed by refreshments served in the Vicarage Gardens with fireworks **5pm**. Donations towards the fireworks can be dropped into the Parish Office. If you could volunteer to make some tomato soup, please contact the Parish Office.

ALL SOULS' DAY: Monday 3rd November Holy Communion and Commemoration of All Souls 7.30pm. Please give the names of those you wish to be remembered into the Parish Office before 24th October. Please note names are not automatically kept, you will need to tick or add to the list.



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Rest Day – Monday

Trinity 18

Sunday Services

Readings: RCL: Year C: Page: 911

Collect: Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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.

8.00am Holy Communion Celebrant: Revd. Dave Preacher: Revd. Dave

Reading: Genesis 32: 22-31 or 2 Timothy 3: 14-4.5

Gospel: Luke 18: 1-8

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9.30am Parish Eucharist Celebrant: Preb. David Preacher: Revd. Dave

Setting: Ives (Salisbury Service) *Hymn Book: HON*

Introit: 427

1st Reading: Genesis 32: 22-31

Psalms: 121

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills: from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh even from the Lord: who hath made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

Behold he that keepeth Israel: shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord himself is thy keeper: the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand.

So that the sun shall not burn thee by day: neither the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: yea it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in: from this time forth for evermore.

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 3: 14-4.5

Gradual Hymn: 246

Gospel: Luke 18: 1-8

Intercessions: Revd. Topé

Offertory Hymn: 110

Anthem: Rejoice in the Lord always - Purcell

Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men.

The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Jesus Christ our Lord.

During this time please observe a period of quiet reflection, as we receive Communion

Communion Hymn: 316

Post Communion: 310

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11.30am All Age Communion Revd. Dave

Hymn Book: HON 380, 27, Thank you Lord for this fine day, 127, 235

Reading: The Wise King

Gospel: Luke 18: 1-8

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6.00pm Sung Evensong and Benediction Celebrant: Canon Grant

Hymn Book: AMNS

Introit: 151

Responses: Ferial

Psalms: 149

1st Reading: Nehemiah 8: 9-end

Office Hymn: 238

Magnificat: Set C

2nd Reading: John 16: 1-11

Nunc Dimittis: Set C

Hymn: 224