

Sunday 22nd June 2025

First Sunday after Trinity

- 10.00 a.m. Church Family Communion with Children's Church
and Admission to Communion
- 4.00 p.m. Choral Evensong

Collect for Today

God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son. **Amen**

Service Readings

Isaiah 65:1-9 (*p.705*), Galatians 3:23-end (*p.186*) and Luke 8:26-39 (*p.65*)

Please pray for

... Anne Bradbeer, Andrea Fairbairn, Sylvia Holdsworth, Mark Knott, Becki & Jonathan Salmon and Timothy Rayner (Julie Shaw's brother).

... the family and friends of Thomas Attewell, Harry Davies, Peter Orr and Gwendoline Harry whose anniversary of death is at this time.

... those who live and work in West Meads, Wilderness Court, Wilderness Road and Windsor Close.

... the Koens family in Papua New Guinea supporting the work of Bible translation through vehicle maintenance, teaching, missionary care.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Financial Giving

We take a collection during our services. If you don't give regularly by standing order or the envelope scheme, please put your donation in the bag, tap the card reader on your way out, or use the QR code on the back of this news-sheet. Thank you.

Dear Friends

Today, during our morning service, we'll be welcoming Jemima Smalley and Sophie Bailey to take the bread and wine of Communion for the first time. For many years at All Saints, we've 'Admitted Children to Communion' at a stage in their lives when they are ready to do so. Jemima and Sophie have both been baptised; and they've both been prepared for this day by our Children's Church leaders, Julie Lodge and Jeanette Whiteman. I'm delighted that both girls are ready to take this step of faith, and we welcome their family and friends who will be supporting them today.

The Communion Service is central to our worship, and to the Christian faith. On the night before he died, Jesus took the bread and wine, and said, 'This is my body'; 'This is my blood' (Mark 14:22-24). He was instituting a new covenant, based not on Law, but on Grace – the grace and loving mercy we find in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. During our service today, we'll be exploring more about that 'new covenant', and how it is realised during our Communion service. As we share the bread and wine today, along with Sophie and Jemima, I pray that we will be bound together, ever more closely, as members of the Body of Christ at All Saints.

Beverly

Mission Focus for June: Mosaic Middle East (MME)

A message to All Saints' Church from Helen Jackson, Executive Director, MME: "The Middle East continues to face immense difficulties; conflict, displacement, and the struggles of vulnerable communities remain stark realities. Yet, in the face of these trials, your support has enabled MME to continue bringing hope, help and healing to those in greatest need. Thanks to you, minority communities and those displaced by conflict have found shelter, support and a renewed sense of dignity. Your generosity is making a tangible difference every single day."

So, let us keep the work of MME ever in our prayers. Further information (about one of the hospitals in Gaza) will be found in the June Magazine

Notices

Admission to Communion: Today we will be welcoming Jemima Smalley and Sophie Bailey for their first communion. Welcome to family and friends who will be supporting them today.

Choral Evensong followed by strawberry teas: TODAY. Enjoy a service of Choral Evensong led by Jeremy and the choir at 4pm. You can then stroll round to the vicarage for a strawberry tea! (approx. 4.45pm)

Queen Eleanor's School Prayer Spaces: This week on Monday and Tuesday the whole Queen Eleanor community will be coming to All Saints for their Prayer Spaces week. Prayer activities will take place on the field, the orchard and the Garden of Remembrance. Please pray for Queen Eleanor's School during this important week.

Orchard Project Volunteer Morning, Saturday 28th June, 10.30am – 1pm: We'll be working on the compost area, watering, and keeping on top of unwanted weeds – the raised beds, flower bed and round the fruit trees and saplings. We'll check and re-mow the pathways through the bottom of the orchard as necessary. Meet by the metal shed (bring suitable tools you can use and gardening gloves).

We'd really appreciate help with watering the raised beds and wildflower meadow area during the dry summer months. If you have time in the week do please get in contact with the team/church office.

Sunday 6th July at 10am is 'Godparent's Sunday'. In our Café-style service, we'll be welcoming Godparents of children and adults who have been baptised at All Saints in recent years. There will be songs, drama, activities for children, coffee and croissants and an opportunity to renew the vows that parents and Godparents made at the baptisms of their children. Please contact Godparents and invite them to come to this very special service. Please bring the baptism candles with you – if you can find them!

Special and NEW Events coming up:

- **Pet Service** Sunday 13th July, 4pm
- **Youth Group BBQ** Sunday 20th July, 5.30pm - welcoming those getting ready for secondary school. Open to current year 6s as well as our regular members. Do bring a friend.
- **Board Games, jigsaws and cakes at Dray Court**, Sunday 3rd August, 4pm
- **Beverly's 10 Year Anniversary Celebration:** Sunday 7th September, (watch this space!)
- **Autumn Fair** Saturday 20th September, 2-5pm

Diary for the Coming Week

Morning prayer Mon, Tues and Weds 9.15am in the Reading Room and Zoom. Thurs Holy Communion at 9.30am in the Reading Room.

- Mon 23rd QE Prayer Spaces in the field, 9.30-10.30am and 11-12pm
Women's Bible Study Group, 16 West Meads, 12.30pm-2.00pm
Barnabas Group, 26 Manor Way, 4.00pm
- Tues 24th QE Prayer Spaces in the field, 9.30-10.30am and 11-12pm
- Thurs 26th Holy Communion, Reading Room, 9.30am
Men's Group 'Exploring the Way', 6 Scillonian Road, 7.30pm
Choir Rehearsal, Church, 8.00pm
- Fri 27th Baby & Toddler Group, Church, 10.00am
Friday Group, 43 Poltimore Road, 3.00pm
- Sat 28th Orchard Volunteer Morning, 10.30am-1.00pm
- Sun 29th Church Family Communion with Children's Church, 10.00am
Tea Time Church, 4.00pm
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Daily Readings for the coming week

- Mon 23rd Ps. 30, Job 13, Romans 7:1-6
- Tues 24th Ps. 50, Malachi 3:1-6, Luke 3:1-17
- Weds 25th Ps. 34, Job 15, Romans 8:1-11
- Thurs 26th Ps. 37, Job 16:1-17:2, Romans 8:12-17
- Fri 27th Ps. 31, Job 17:3-end, Romans 8:18-30
- Sat 28th Ps. 42, Job 18, Romans 8:31-end
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Service Readings for Sunday 29th June: Trinity 2

Zechariah 4:1-6a, 10b-end; Acts 12:1-11 and Matthew 16:13-19

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