

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2024**

**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**



**Collect for the Week**

Almighty God,  
you search us and know us:  
may we rely on you in strength  
and rest on you in weakness,  
now and in all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord

**8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)**

President & Preacher: The Vicar

**10.00 am Matins (BCP)**

Minister and Preacher: Rev. Nicholas Burton

**10.00 am Family Service with Holy Communion at the Church Centre + Zoom**

President: The Vicar, Link: Jean Kerr

Hymns: From heaven you came helpless babe  
Christ is made our sure foundation  
Let there be love shared among us  
Our god is a great big God

Readings : Ephesians 6.10 -20 (NIV page 1177)  
John 6.56 – 69 (NIV page 1071)

**6.30 pm Parish Eucharist (CW)**

President and Preacher: The Vicar



**Altar Flowers at the Parish Church**

The altar flowers are given today by  
Shirley and Paul Barter  
in Loving Memory of  
Paul's parents  
Rene and Wilson Barter

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### **MONDAY 26<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday**

Parish Office closed

### **TUESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> *Monica, Mother of Augustine of Hippo, 387***

Parish Office closed

### **WEDNESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> *Augustine, Bishop of Hippo, Teacher of the Faith, 430***

9.00 am Play Time at St Paul's

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

### **THURSDAY 29<sup>th</sup> *The Beheading of John the Baptist***

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre

### **FRIDAY 30<sup>th</sup> *John Bunyan, Spiritual Writer, 1668***

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

12.30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre

6.30 pm Junior Choir practice

7.30 pm Full Choir practice

### **SATURDAY 31<sup>st</sup> *Aidan, Bishop of Lindisfarne, Missionary, 651***

10.15 – 12.15 Scout meeting at the Lodge

12.00 pm Interment of Ashes at the New Churchyard

### **NEXT SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> September**

#### **Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**

#### **8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)**

President and Preacher: The Vicar

#### **10.00 am Parish Eucharist (CW)**

Minister and Preacher: The Vicar

#### **10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre + Zoom**

Lead: Wendy Anderson, Link: Viv Littlechild

#### **6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)**

Minister & Preacher: The Vicar

# NEWS AND NOTES

## **From The Vicarage**

Greetings to you all and a warm welcome to our services today, the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity. It was great to hear some of Daniel's experiences and see some of his photos from his trip to Mpapwa Diocese in Tanzania. He's written a piece for the Parish Magazine.

Please hold all the children and young people of our Parish in your thoughts and prayers as they continue their journeys through childhood and adolescence into adulthood.

May Almighty God continue to equip us and refill us with the Holy Spirit as we journey through life with and alongside one another.

*Ronnie*

## **Autumn Fayre 16<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

There will be a planning meeting for the Church Autumn Fayre on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 8 pm in the Lodge. If you have run a stall in the past, or would like to run one this year please come along and bring your ideas to help plan this important fundraising event. Please let me know if you are able to attend or not. Thank You Jean Kerr 07905758799

## **We Need Your Help to Keep the Doors Open!**

We have been trialling having the Parish Church open for a couple of hours on Saturday and Sunday, as we used to some years ago, and have found that we have received quite a few visitors. We'd like to compile a rota to keep this going at least into Autumn. Can you spare a couple of hours at the weekend? 2 pm to 4 pm is an ideal time as people are out enjoying a walk, especially now the new path to Happy Valley has been completed. Please let May, Rod or Elaine Bruce know if you can spare some time to help out, it would be greatly appreciated.

## **Youth Council**

CYC meet next on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September at 6 pm in the Lodge when the local community police officer will be coming to talk to the group, and we will be planning our entry for the scarecrow competition in October. All children from school years 6 - 13 are welcome. Please contact Angela Culley, Jean Kerr or the Parish Office if you have any questions.

## **Family Service Meeting**

The next Family Service Meeting will be held on 4<sup>th</sup> September at 8 pm at the Church Centre. All from the Family Service congregation are welcome to join the meeting. Please send any items you wish to be discussed at the meeting to [susan.powley15@gmail.com](mailto:susan.powley15@gmail.com) if you are unable to attend.

## **Ride and Stride 14<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

This annual event run by Friends of Kent Churches

([www.friendsofkentchurches.co.uk](http://www.friendsofkentchurches.co.uk)) will take place this year on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September. The idea is to get sponsorship to visit as many churches in Kent as possible either by walking or cycling between 10 am and 6 pm on the day. It is great fun and there are delicious refreshments provided by many of the churches on the way!!! The money raised goes towards paying for repairs and renovations of churches in Kent. It is split equally between the Diocese and St Pauls. Last year we raised £610. Kent raised £140,000 as a county!

There are sponsor forms and Tunbridge Wells maps showing the location of all the churches, in both churches. There will be a group cycling around the Romney Marsh churches where it is very flat and the roads are less busy. They will be meeting at Appledore village hall car park at 9.45 am on the day. We will also need volunteers to sit for an hour at a time in each church recording the walkers and cyclists as they come through and providing simple refreshments. There is a sign-up board at the back of the church for those who are able to help with this.

If you would like to take part as a walker or cyclist and want to know more about the routes please contact

Jane Goldsworthy on 07846 266085 or [jane\\_goldsworthy@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jane_goldsworthy@yahoo.co.uk)

## **The Molyneux Almshouses are Recruiting New Trustees**

The Molyneux Almshouses is a small charity based in Rusthall which provides social housing accommodation for people of limited financial means who have long term connections with Tunbridge Wells.

The new Trustees should ideally be people from the local area who are involved with the community, prepared to take responsibility for specific aspects of the Charity's work, can commit to regular meetings and activities, and will bring experience to complement the existing Trustee Board. Good people skills, the ability to communicate plus empathy, understanding and patience are essential. Most importantly, they should be someone who is enthusiastic and has the time and energy to be actively involved.

If you think that you have what it takes to become a Trustee and want to find out more, please contact Gill Prater, Chair of the Trustees, at [gill.prater@molyneux-almshouses.co.uk](mailto:gill.prater@molyneux-almshouses.co.uk) and ask for the Trustee Information Pack. Alternatively you can phone Gill on 07563 245315.

The closing date is the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

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