

Sunday 13th September 2026

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



Collect for the Week

Lord God,
Defend your Church from all false teaching
And give to your people knowledge of your truth,
That we may enjoy eternal life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

8.00 am

Holy Communion (BCP)

President and Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am

Parish Eucharist (CW)

President, Preacher and Minister: The Vicar

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre + Zoom

Leader: Tim Harrold Link: Rosemary Romano

Hymns: Way Maker
 In Christ Alone
 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky
 You Shall Go Out with Joy

Reading Exodus 14: 19 - 31 (NIV page 71)

6.30 pm

Evensong (BCP)

Minister and Preacher: Tim Harrold

Hymn: NEH 436 Praise, my soul the King of Heaven
Psalm: Psalm 2
1st Reading: Ezekiel 20.1 – 8 & 33 – 44 (page 815) Roland Millar
Magnificat: C
2nd Reading: Acts 20.17 – end (NRVS page 151) Cherry Mead
Nunc Dimittis: C
Anthem: Come down, O love divine – Harris
Hymn: NEH 477 Ye that know the Lord is gracious
Amen: 12

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 14th September 2026

Holy Cross Day

9.00 am Morning prayer at the Parish Church with the Vicar
Pilgrimage to London

TUESDAY 15th September

Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, martyr, 258
Parish Office Closed

WEDNESDAY 16th September

Ninian, Bishop of Galloway, apostle of the Picts, 432
Edward Bouverie Pusey, priest Tractarian 1882

9.00 am Morning prayer at the Church Centre – Tim Harrold
9.00 am Playtime at St Paul's, Church Centre
10.00 am Church Centre open for private prayer

THURSDAY 17th September

Hildegard, Abbess of Bingen, visionary 1179
Lambert, Bishop of Maastricht, martyr, 709

10.00 am Church Centre open for private prayer
11.00 am Communion Administration at Mount Ephraim House
11.30 am Holy Communion at the Church Centre with the Vicar
12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre

FRIDAY 18th September

10.00 am 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 19th September

10.00 am – 4.00 pm Choristers Café

NEXT SUNDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2026

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
Minister and Preacher: The Vicar
10.00 am Parish Eucharist with Baptism (CW)
President, Preacher and Minister: The Vicar
10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre
Lead: Wendy Anderson Link: Rosemary Romano
10.00 am – 4.00 pm Choristers Café
6.30 pm Choral Evensong (BCP) Minister and Preacher: The Vicar

NEWS AND NOTES

From the Vicarage

Greetings and a warm welcome to our services today, the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, and the Second Sunday in Creationtide.

As we worship together, I pray that, guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we may be faithful stewards of God's creation.

Ride and Stride 2026

Many thanks to those that did some Church sitting yesterday for this year's Ride and Stride and to anyone who took part. If you have been sponsored, please can you pass your form and money to Jane Goldsworthy 07846 266085 or Jane_goldsworthy@yahoo.co.uk

Pilgrimage 2026 Monday 14th September 2026

The Pilgrimage is nearly upon us! Please don't forget to collect a Booklet from the Parish Church or the Church Centre with details of our route and a commentary on the various sights of interest along the way. Tim Harrold

Rochester and Canterbury Diocese Eco Conference

This year's conference will take place on the 19th September at Rochester Cathedral. There are a number of informative and practical sessions including sustainable flower arranging demonstrations, hospitality, energy efficient building and more. If you are interested in attending, please scan the QR code on the posters in the Lodge, the Church or the Church Centre or see Tim Harrold.

Organ Renovation Fund

If you would like to be kept informed on all the developments around our Organ Renovation Fund, then please scan the QR codes to provide your contact details and we will add you to our distribution list. We will provide regular updates on the progress of the project, how the fundraising is going, as well as news about several exciting opportunities for our friends and supporters to get involved. These include our "Sponsor a Pipe" campaign which will be launched later this year as well as unique opportunities to learn more about the art and science of organ playing. You will only receive emails about the fund and you will be able to unsubscribe at any time. If you would prefer to use hardcopy forms, these are available in the Church, the Church Centre and from the office. Please return the forms to either the Churchwardens or to Helen in the office. Tim Harrold



The altar flowers today are in
loving memory of
Pauline Giles and Sandra Winter,
on behalf of the Winter Family.

Road Closures - Hospice in the Weald Run 20th September 2026

On Sunday 20th September 2026, Hospice in the Weald will be hosting their annual Hospice Run in Tunbridge Wells.

The Church Warden has been in contact with Kent Highways and is trying to obtain access from the bottom of Major Yorks Road to Nevill Park and therefore into the Avenue.

In the meantime, the affected roads will be closed from 9:00am to 12:30pm and includes Castle Road, Hillswood Road, Church Road, Hungershall Park, Broom Lane, Major Yorks Road, Mount Ephraim, Nevil Park, Holmewood Ridge (East and West) Bishops Down, Langton Road, High Rocks Lane and Tea Garden Lane.

A light breakfast will be available from 8.40 am in the Lodge for anyone who wishes to avoid the traffic chaos!

Dates for your diaries 2026

Sunday 4th October 2026 Joint Harvest Parade Service 10.00 am

Saturday 7th November 2026 Concert for Remembrance 6.30 pm

Sunday 8th November 2026 Remembrance Sunday 10 am

Sunday 29th November 2026 Readings and Music for Advent 6.30 pm

Saturday 5th December 2026 Sponsored Sing-a-thon of 100 Carols for Choirs

Sunday 20th December 2026 Nine Lessons and Carols 6.30 pm

Sunday 27th December 2026 Readings and Carols for Christmas with 'The Band' at the Church Centre 10.00 am

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