

Sunday 27th September 2026

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Collect for the Week

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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- 8.00 am** **Holy Communion (BCP)**
President and Preacher: The Vicar
- 10.00 am** **Matins (BCP)**
Preacher and Minister: Reverend Nicholas Burton
- 10.00 am** **Family Communion at the Church Centre + Zoom**
- Leader: The Vicar Link: Liz Goddard
Hymns: All Creatures of our God and King
 God is Great
 Guide me o Thou Great Redeemer
 10,000 Reasons
Reading Philippians 2. 1 – 13 (NIV page 1179)
 Matthew 21. 23 – 32 (NIV page 989)
- 4.00 pm** **Taizé**
Church Centre. Minister: Tim Harrold
- 6.30 pm** **Parish Eucharist (CW)**
President and Preacher: Reverend Nicholas Burton



The altar flowers today are given
by the Youth Council for all children
and young people both in our
parish and beyond.

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 28th September 2026

9.00 am Morning prayer at the Parish Church with the Vicar

TUESDAY 29th September

Michael and all Angels

Parish Office Closed

WEDNESDAY 30th September

Jerome, translator of the Scriptures, teacher of the faith, 420

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 1st October

Remigius, Bishop of Rheims, apostle of the Franks, 533

Anthony Ashley Cooper (Earl of Shaftesbury) social reformer, 1885

10.00 am Church Centre open for private prayer

11.30 am Holy Communion at the Church Centre with the Vicar

12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre

6.30 pm CYC Meeting at the Lodge

FRIDAY 2nd October

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 3rd October 2026

George Bell, Bishop of Chichester, ecumenist, peacemaker, 1958

10.00 am – 4.00 pm Choristers Café

NEXT SUNDAY 4th October 2026

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Minister and Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Joint Harvest Festival

Ministers: The Vicar, Reverend Nicholas Burton
and Daphne Pilcher

Speaker: Bradley Johnson, Young Scot Leader

10.00 am No Family Service at the Church Centre + Zoom

10.00 am – 4.00 pm Choristers Café

6.30 pm Parish Eucharist (CW)

President and Preacher: The Vicar

NEWS AND NOTES

From the Vicarage

Greetings and a warm welcome to our services today, including the Taizé service on the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity and the fourth Sunday in Creationtide. As we worship together and fellowship with one another, may Almighty God, our creator, continue to sustain us and renew our willingness to care for the environment.

Announcement

Heartfelt sympathies to Clare Williams on the recent death of her beloved mother, Helen Hockey. Our thoughts and prayers are with Clare, Ronnie and their family and friends as they mourn her passing. May her soul rest in peace and rise in glory.

REMINDER TAIZE SERVICE THIS SUNDAY

Our monthly Taizé Service will be held in the Church Centre on Sunday 27th at 4.00 pm. Our reading sees Jesus teaching the Pharisees that the one who actually does the father's will is the true obedient son. It reminds us that to live in the kingdom is to be ready to rub shoulders with all kinds. God's love is given freely and is accepted by many. Join us for 30 minutes of calm meditation and unique Taizé music. ALL WELCOME.

The Church Youth Council

We look forward to welcoming old and new members of the CYC at our next meeting on Thursday 1st October 2026 from 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm where we will be busy putting our plans for Norman Mantle Chapel Wiggle space into action.

Angela Culley culley.angela@yahoo.com and Jean Kerr

jeankerr@stpaulsrusthal.org.uk

The Norman Mantle Children's Space

We are delighted the PCC have agreed to the CYC's proposal to resource the Canon Mantle Chapel as a flexible 'pack away' children's space. We are also extremely grateful for some very generous and thoughtful contributions and support from our congregation.

We are looking for the following:

A small children's table and chairs

Small bookcase (preferably a children's one)

Book Box for infant books

Good quality books for children aged 6 months to 10 years, particularly Bible Stories

Beanbag

Toy cars, magnetic tiles/ construction set, Busy Books etc

Please speak to Angela culley.angela@yahoo.com or Jean

jeankerr@stpaulsrusthal.org.uk with any other suggestions. Gifts can be left at the back of the church. Thank you very much.

Choristers Café

Volunteers are urgently required to staff the Café on the weekends of 3rd & 4th and 10th & 11th October 2026. Currently both weekends are a blank slate! If you are able to lend a hand, please contact Caroline Johnson caroline18sg@gmail.com

Organ Renovation Newsletter

You can now subscribe to the Organ Renovation Newsletter through our website - www.stpaulsrusthall.org.uk

Go to the Organ Renovation page and you will find a box to input your details. If you would like to be kept informed on all the developments around our Organ Renovation Fund, including latest developments, progress on the fundraising, and news about our future events along with unique opportunities, then the newsletter is for you.

Alternatively, scan the QR code and provide your contact details which will be added to our distribution list. 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



Dates for your diaries 2026

Sunday 4th October 2026 Joint Harvest Parade Service 10.00 am

Sunday 11th October 2026 A Joint Service of Choral Evensong at 6.30 pm with the Choir of St Nicholas, Chislehurst

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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