

Sunday 4th September 2022
THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



Collect for the Week

God of constant mercy,
who sent your son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

10.00 am Parish Eucharist (CW)

President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre

(and via Zoom)

Lead: Linde Horsman, Link: Chris Bassett

Hymns: I want to walk with Jesus Christ
My Jesus, my saviour
Bind us together
The Lord's my Shepherd


Bible reading: Luke 14:25-33 (NIV page 1048)

5.30 pm Pet Service

Minister: The Vicar, Talk: Ginette di Palma

See separate booklet

Please stay for refreshments after the service

	<p>Altar Flowers at the Parish Church</p> <p>The altar flowers are given today by Angela Culley in Loving Memory of Jean, Alex and Jonathan Harrold, Esme Eason and Ruth Foreman.</p>
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THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 5th

10 am – 12 noon Church Centre open for private prayer
8 pm Worship Committee at the Lodge

TUESDAY 6th *Allen Gardener, Missionary, founder of the South American Missionary Society, 1851*

Parish Office closed

WEDNESDAY 7th

10 am – 12 noon Church Centre open for private prayer
10:30 am Julian Group at 30 Chancellor House
12 noon - 2 pm Charlie's Angels pop-up lunch at the Church Centre
8 pm Family Service Meeting at the Church Centre

THURSDAY 8th SEPTEMBER *The Birth of the blessed virgin Mary*

10 am – 12 noon Church Centre open for private prayer
12 for 12:30 Lunch Club at the Church Centre
3 pm Parish Fellowship

FRIDAY 9th *Charles Fuge Lowder, Priest 1880*

10 am – 12 noon 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 10th

All day Ride and Stride

NEXT SUNDAY 11th SEPTEMBER

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10.00 am Parish Eucharist (CW)

President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre

(and via Zoom)

Lead: Wendy Anderson, Link: Viv Littlechild

3.00 pm Hastings Association (UK) Thanksgiving service

Ministers: The Vicar, Revd Rene Jarrett;

Preacher: Revd Anthea Harris-Faulkner

See separate booklet

NEWS AND NOTES

From the Vicarage

Warm greetings to you all. The past week seemed to have gone rather quickly, with some amazing highlights - and no dull moments. As a country and a nation, we will be offered the opportunity for a new start as the new Prime Minister is announced on Monday 5th September. With the sombre economic forecast for the country casting its dark shadow over, I pray that we would all experience the light of Christ even more profoundly in our lives and, that through God's equipping and our support of one another, we will all have something to smile about.

Next Rota for the Parish Church

Printed copies of the rota for September and October are now available at the Parish Church. Please help yourself to a copy. If you are a reader or intercessor and can't do the date(s) that you have been allocated, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Nourish Donations

A reminder that we have drop off boxes for Nourish at both the Parish Church and the Church Centre. In recent months donations have dropped considerably (nationally) and food banks are struggling to keep up with demand. Every donation is appreciated, be it one item or several. Please do support Nourish if you are able to. Thank you.

Meeting Christianity again for the first time....

is the title of a book written and self-published by Revd Tony Rutherford. It is intended to be a complementary approach to describing Christian faith - based on both the Bible and recent research. It is designed for discussion and as a response to the current decline in churches generally.

Copies may be obtained from Tony on 01892 541 009 or by email: tonyrutherford37@icloud.com Cost £5 or £7 if posted.

Julian Group

The first meeting after the break in August will be at 10:30 on Wednesday 7th September at 30 Chancellor House. It would be lovely to see you there.

Lift to Family Service

We would like to set up a rota of people who are willing to collect Daphne from Stephens Road, Tunbridge Wells to bring her to the Church Centre for Family Service each Sunday and take her home again afterwards. The plan is that each volunteer will take a turn every 10 weeks.

Please contact the Parish Office, Susan Powley (susan.powley15@gmail.com) or Daphne herself if you are able to be part of the rota.

Sponsored Altar Flowers at the Parish Church

The dates still available are: Remembrance Sunday – 13th November, 18th December and 25th December.

Ride and Stride 2022

This annual event run by Friends of Kent Churches will take place this year on Saturday 10th September (www.friendsofkentchurches.co.uk).

For those of you who have not come across it before, 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. The money raised goes towards paying for repairs and renovations of churches in Kent. It is split equally between the Diocese (to go towards larger projects) and St. Pauls, Rusthall.

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.

There will be a group cycling around the Romney Marsh churches where it is very flat and the roads are less busy. We will be meeting at Appledore village hall car park at 9.45 am. There is a good route available for anyone who prefers to stay more local and has not tried the event before.

If you would like to volunteer as a walker or cyclist or to sit in church please contact Jane Goldsworthy on 07846 266085 or

jane_goldsworthy@yahoo.co.uk

St Paul's Church, Rusthall proposed 100 Club

As part of the church's ongoing fundraising initiatives and to provide an opportunity for the whole community to come together, it is proposed to form a 100 Club. The idea is simple; contributors choose a number and donate £10 per calendar month. Each month a draw is held for three numbers. The first receives a gift of £100, the second receives a gift of £60 and the third receives a gift of £40. Please see Chris Dobson, Angela Culley, or Ginette di Palma for further information or to choose your number.

"WHAT'S ON AT THE OTHER ST PAUL'S!

Please see the leaflets in our churches today, about a number of top quality events at St Paul's Cathedral, including talks by Paula Gooder, John Barton and Rev Azariah France-Williams. The leaflet includes information on how to access previous events from the comfort of your own computer!"

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