

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023**  
**THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**



**Collect for the Week**

Generous God,  
you give us gifts and make them grow:  
though our faith is small as mustard seed,  
make it grow to your glory  
and the flourishing of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**10.00 am Matins (BCP)**

Minister & Preacher: The Revd Nicholas Burton

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

President: The Vicar, Link: Chris Bassett


Eucharistic Prayer One and second prayer after communion

Hymns: Be thou my vision  
Dear Lord and Father of mankind  
All I once held dear  
Father I place into your hands

Readings: Romans 8: 12-25 (NIV page 1134)  
Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43 (979)

**6.30 pm Parish Eucharist (CW)**

President & Preacher: The Vicar

	<p><b>Altar Flowers at the Parish Church</b></p> <p>The altar flowers are given today by Sue Wilby in loving memory of her brother David Adlam</p>
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## THE WEEK AHEAD

### **MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup>**

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

### **TUESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> *James the Apostle***

Parish Office closed

### **WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> *Anne and Joachim, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. St Anne (BCP)***

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

12 noon - 2 pm Charlie's Angels pop-up lunch at the Church Centre

### **THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup> *Brooke Fosse Westcott, Bishop of Durham, Teacher of the Faith 1901***

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre

### **FRIDAY 28<sup>th</sup>**

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

12:30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre

NB no Junior Choir practice

7.30 pm Senior Choir practice (children welcome)

### **SATURDAY 29<sup>th</sup> *Mary, Martha and Lazarus, Companions of our Lord***

### **NEXT SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> *The Eighth Sunday After Trinity***

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

President & Preacher: The Vicar

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

Lead: Wendy Anderson, Links: Liz Mankelow & Sophie Carter

#### **6.30 pm Compline**

Minister & Preacher: The Vicar

## NEWS AND NOTES

### **From the Vicarage**

Greetings to you all and a very warm welcome to our services today, the 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity. I trust that as we worship the Almighty and loving God together, God's caring nature would be reflected in our fellowship with each other and our interactions with one another.

Ronnie

## **Len**

Many long standing members of the congregations in both our Churches will remember Len Evans a founder member of the Family Service and one who believed in unity between our two Churches. For many years he attended Family Service in the morning and Evensong in the evening. On Tuesday 25th July he will celebrate his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. He is very comfortable in a nursing home near to his daughter Margaret in Battle. Sadly his eyesight has gone and he can only partially hear with some help but remains bright and with it but was pleased to hear all the news when Tim and Pat visited him last week. He asked to be remembered to all who know him and they in turn conveyed greetings from the Parish on his marvellous achievement.



## **Family Service -no Zoom!**

We are sorry but due to the unavailability of operatives there will be no Zoom broadcast this week and next. All being well the Zoom connection will be recommenced from 6th August.

## **Family Service Children's Group break for the summer**

The children's group at Family Service will restart on Sunday September 10<sup>th</sup>. As always, all children are of course very welcome to come throughout the summer and drawing materials and books are available for use during the service. If you have any queries please get in touch with Mary Holmes: [mary@mandmcreative.co.uk](mailto:mary@mandmcreative.co.uk)

## **Christine Fenner**

Christine's funeral will be held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August at the Parish Church at 12 noon. We continue to remember David and all her family and friends as they mourn her loss.

## **Rusthall Community Larder**

The Friday Larder continues to be hugely popular, welcoming regulars and newcomers alike. It opens at 12.30 pm offering a great range of food and other items. Please remember that you are most welcome to make donations of food etc, tinned and dried goods are particularly needed.

## **Milward House**

Milward House is a lovely Christian Care home with 25 residents. They are looking for a volunteer (or group of volunteers) who would be able to take a lead on simple Craft/Art activities twice a month on a Wednesday (day could change). Training, support and DBS would be provided. Contact Susan the Activities and Community Engagement Facilitator on [ace.milward@pilgrimsfriend.org](mailto:ace.milward@pilgrimsfriend.org) or 0300 303 1460.

## **St Paul's Parish Survey**

The Parish Survey has now been launched. This is your opportunity to have your say so please make the effort to have your voice heard. The survey should take no more than 10 minutes to complete and is available online through the church website. Posters have been put up in shops throughout the village which also allow you to access the survey using a QR code, this is also in St Paul's News. If you prefer to fill in the survey manually rather than online, then hardcopies of the survey are also available at the Parish Church, the Church Centre and also at the Rusthall library. If you have any difficulty in accessing the survey, then please send an email to [survey@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk](mailto:survey@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk). It's your voice – make sure it's heard.

## **Nourish Foodbank**

Nourish Community Foodbank is reaching out to all places of worship to ask if we 'could think about the families struggling to make ends meet' as we approach the Summer Holidays. The 'Hidden Holiday Hunger Campaign' is a way we can give food items to families who are in need. The charity focuses on items such as sandwich fillers, healthy snacks and quick meals that many of us are lucky enough to be able to afford during the long Summer Holidays. A holiday parcel will include lots of fresh fruit, sandwich fillings, cereal bars, crisps, meatballs and hot dogs and essential items like butter, bread and eggs.' You can also make a monetary donation. Simply text HUNGER to 70560 to give or

[www.nourishcommunityfoodbank.org.uk/give-money](http://www.nourishcommunityfoodbank.org.uk/give-money).

'If you, or someone you know, is struggling and needs food support, the best way to get a referral is through the Citizens Advice Bureau at [www.citizensadvicenwk.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvicenwk.org.uk)'

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