

Sunday 17th August 2025

Newsletter

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**Pray for our sick** and those who care for them: Evelyn, Pat Hughes, Bob, Carol, Steph Randall, Pam, Fran and Peter, Tim Dalloway, Anne-Marie, Chris Hemsley, Angela, Winnifred Quirke, Winston Sharpe, Phil Mayhew, Mike, Henry, Samantha Hart, Sarah, Denise, Harold, Kirsty, Janet, Richard Hughes, Robert Hodges, Jill Nicholls, Chris Knight, Helen Brettle,

**CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION SERVICES – AUGUST**

**Sunday 17 August**

**10am Morning Prayer**

**12.30pm Baptism of Penny**

**Monday 18 August**

**5pm Evening Prayer**

**7pm Prayer and Praise at Fr Mel’s**

**Tuesday 19 August**

**5pm Evening Prayer**

**Wednesday 20 August**

**10am Midweek Said Eucharist**

**5pm Evening Prayer**

**Sunday 24 August**

**10am Sung Eucharist**

**All are welcome to Morning Prayer at St Mary’s at 8.30am**

**on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week**

Beryl Pritchett.

MU Members, especially the house bound.

**Recently Departed**: Susan Deakin, Arthur ‘Barry’ Harmon, Beverley Wood

***Please pray for the people that live in Oaklands Care Home in our parish and for the people who care for them.***

***Baptism Preparation – Prayer for August***

*Loving Father. Thank You for these parents. Help them to know Your presence in their lives and to share that love and care with their families and those they meet.* ***Amen.***

***Book:*** *Have you filled a bucket today.*

**Eucharist Assistants** As you know each Sunday people accompany the priest to distribute Communion.  It’s usually the chalice but can also be the bread.  Have you ever thought about you having this ministry of faithful service?  If you have, speak to one of the priests and we can discern with you whether this is something you’re called to do.  Full training will be given and we’ll need to do a little bit of safeguarding work with you but this is a really important part of our church life together and I commend to your prayers whether this is something you, or someone else you know might be called to.

**DCC Member** We still have a vacancy for a DCC member. If you’re interested, please speak to Jean or Jenny. It’s really important that we fill this vacancy.

**Fr Mel’s Prayer Meeting** next meeting will be on THIS MONDAY August 18th at 7.00pm – at 14 Beech Tree Close. Fr Chris will lead.

Then at the beginning of September the Monday house groups will meet. The next actual Prayer Meeting and Eucharist will be on September 29th.

**Baptism of Penny Jones** Penny will be baptised on **Sunday 17th August at 12.30pm.** Everyone from our church family is welcome to attend.

**Mothers’ Union – Harvest Lunch** will be held at **St Mary’s on Wednesday 3rd September at 12 noon.**

**St Mary’s Patronal Festival Team Service is on Sunday 7 September at 11am (not 10am)** followed by lunch. Our guest preacher for the day if the Diocesan Secretary Fr Andy Todd.

**St Mary’s next coffee morning** **is Thursday 11th September 10-12**. Everyone welcome.

**New Service Structure from September**

Please see the new magazine for more information on our new service structure from September where the 10am Sunday service will see three Eucharists each month at both churches and the introduction of ‘Hearts on Fire’, a charismatic Mass happening at 4pm at St Mary’s once a month.

**“Quiet Day at Holland House” on Saturday 18th October 10am – 4pm**

We will be hosting this Quiet Day at Holland House. The cost will be £42 to include lunch and tea/coffee throughout the day.

Spaces are limited so please register your interest with a £10 deposit by the end of August. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church – please include any dietary requirements.

We will look at car sharing nearing the time.



**Please email any notices and items for this weekly newsletter to Grace in the parish office by Thursday for printing on Fridays. Thank you.**

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***Ninth Sunday After Trinity***

***Collect***

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day,

and make her holy, strong and faithful,

for your glory’s sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

***Today’s Readings***

Revelation 11.19 – 12.6, 10

Psalm 45.10 to end

Galatians 4: 4-7

Luke 1: 46-55

***Post Communion***

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son

to share this meal with the whole household of God:

in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace,

gather people of every race and language

to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**PARISH DEVELOPMENT**

Now’s the time to SIGN UP FOR THE PARISH DEVELOPMENT HOUSE GROUPS THAT WILL MEET IN SEPTEMBER. These will be held on the 1st, 8th and 15th September.

We’ve had to add a second Monday evening group. Times and venues are:

**Monday evenings at Fr Mel’s – 14 Beech Tree Close beginning at 7.30pm**

**Monday evenings at Mthr Sarah’s - 32, Monteagle Drive also beginning at 7.30pm**

**Tuesday afternoons at Sheila Gregg’s beginning at 2.30pm**

**Thursday afternoons at Jane Freeman’s beginning at 2.30pm**

**Thursday evenings at Sue Brown’s beginning at 7.30pm**

The various addresses are on the sign-up sheets. So far 30 people have signed up ……that’s not a lot for our two churches!

The future is God’s and ours – your opinion matters!

**Gluten Free Wafers**

**Whenever the Eucharist is celebrated gluten free wafers will be available.**

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