

# WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH!



## NOTICE SHEET FOR SEPTEMBER 2025

Here for Christ – here for you

A very warm welcome if you are joining us today.

Our services are in Church and on Zoom. We usually video the 8am and 6pm sermons and 10am service and upload them on Facebook later.

If you would like a visit from Patrick the Vicar, or more information, please fill in one of the Welcome Cards you will find in the pews and hand it to Patrick, a warden or a sidesperson. Please join us for refreshments at the back of Church after the 10am service.

### SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

#### The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

- 8 am**      **BCP Holy Communion** with the Rev'd Andrew Parsons  
(Collect and Readings p.175)
- 10 am**      **Family Communion** with the Rev'd Andrew Parsons  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Jeremiah 18:1-11 (Old Testament p.731)  
2nd Reading: Philemon 1-21 (New Testament p.214)  
Gospel: Luke 14:25-33 (New Testament p.74)  
Voluntary: *Summer Pastures* - William Lloyd Webber
- 4 pm**      **Rehearsal for *Come & Sing* Evensong**
- 5 pm**      **Bring and Share Tea**
- 6 pm**      ***Come and Sing* BCP Choral Evensong**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 43:14 - 44:5 (Old Testament p.682)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: John 5:30-47 (New Testament p.93)  
Canticles: Stanford in B<sup>b</sup>  
Anthem: *Hark a messenger is calling* - Bryan Kelly  
Voluntary: *Variations on 'St Benedict'* - Denis Bédard

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## SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

### The Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity

- 8 am**      **BCP Holy Communion** with the Rev'd Alastair Gledhill  
(Collect and Readings p.176)
- 10 am**      **BCP Sung Matins**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 32:7-14 (Old Testament p.81)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Luke 15:1-10 (New Testament p.75)  
Anthem: *Lord of all hopefulness* - Malcolm Archer  
Voluntary: *Fugue in D (BWV 580)* - J S Bach
- 6 pm**      **BCP Evensong**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 60 (Old Testament p.700)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: John 6:51-69 (New Testament p.95)  
Voluntary: *Evensong* - James Healey Willan

## SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER

### St Matthew the Apostle - The Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity

- 8 am**      **BCP Holy Communion** (Collect and Readings p.226)
- 10 am**      **Celebration of Marriage All-age Service**  
Followed by special refreshments  
Reading: 1 Corinthians 13 (in service sheet)  
Voluntary: *Fanfare for a Bride* - Paul Spicer
- 6 pm**      **BCP Evensong**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Ecclesiastes 5:4-12 (Old Testament p.628)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Matthew 19:16-end (New Testament p.20)  
Voluntary: *Postlude in G* - William Lloyd Webber

## SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

### The Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity

- 8 am**      **BCP Holy Communion** (Collect and Readings p.180)
- 10 am**      **Family Communion**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Jeremiah 32:1-3a,6-15 (OT p.747)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-19 (New Testament p.208)  
Gospel: Luke 16:19-31 (New Testament p.76)  
Anthem: *Author of life divine* - Cecilia McDowall  
Voluntary: *Intermezzo (Sonata 4)* - Josef Rheinberger
- 6 pm**      **BCP Evensong**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Nehemiah 2 (Old Testament p.443)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: John 8:31-38, 48-59 (New Testament p.98)  
Voluntary: *Deal graciously with me, O God* -  
J G Walther  
Organist: David Uden

## Harvest Weekend - 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> October

This year we will be celebrating Harvest on 5<sup>th</sup> October. We will be making donations to our local hostels: St Martin's, YMCA, Leeway and Archway

Gifts of fresh produce such as potatoes and carrots, onions, apples, oranges and non-perishable foods - tinned vegetables, meat, fruit, pasta sauce, UHT milk, fruit juice, tea bags, soups, tins of savoury or sweet foods, biscuits and sweets are all greatly valued. Please bring your donations to Christ Church 9.30-11am, 3<sup>rd</sup> October; 2.30-3.30pm, 4<sup>th</sup> October or to the 10am Harvest service.



### Harvest Supper

In church at 7pm, Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October.

Cost: £10 per person to include a glass of wine.

To book a place contact Ruth Vaughan (07785 396418)

### Decorations

We will be preparing the flowers on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9.30 - 12.00 noon and decorating the Church on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>, 2.30-4pm. Everyone is welcome - you do not need to be able to arrange flowers! Please see Ruth Vaughan if you can help or if you can provide flowers or greenery.



Contributions of flowers and foliage will be very welcome, and can be left in church on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October from 9:30am.

Donations for flowers can be left in basket at back of church, or handed to a church warden.

### Musicians

Instrumentalists and singers are needed to help lead the music at the 10am Harvest Service on 5<sup>th</sup> October (rehearsal 9.15am). If you can help, please contact Matt Wright. *Thank you.*

## Thank You!

A big thank you to the Rev'd Andrew Parsons and the Rev'd Alastair Gledhill for leading services for us this month

## Welcome Back!

Welcome back to Matt, our organist and choirmaster. We hope you have had a helpful and restful sabbatical

### Notices for Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October

should be with Catherine Richmond (250844, [notices@christchurch-eaton.org.uk](mailto:notices@christchurch-eaton.org.uk)) by 10am on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September.** *Thank you*

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## NEWS AND NOTICES

### **Friends of Christ Church Eaton**

The annual meeting and garden party is on **THURSDAY 11<sup>th</sup>** September.

*David Scott*

### **Annual Sponsored 'Bike Ride' - Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

Ruth Vaughan will be taking part in this year's Norfolk Churches Trust Bike Ride, Walk and Drive, and would appreciate sponsorship! Participants visit as many churches as possible by bike, on foot or by car, whilst raising funds that are split 50/50 with their church and the Trust. If you would like to take part, visit [norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/bike-ride-walk/](http://norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/bike-ride-walk/) or speak to Matt Wright

### **Toilet Twinning**

Thanks to generous donations for refreshments following the 10am service, we have once again been able to send £240 to Toilet Twinning, part of Tearfund, and "twin" our WC with four in Mgussu, Tanzania. *Ruth Vaughan*

### **Diary Dates:**

- Autumn Workshop for Children (aged 5-11), Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November, 9.45am-12noon at St Andrew's Eaton. Please email [eatonchildren@gmail.com](mailto:eatonchildren@gmail.com) to book a place
- Autumn Fair in aid of our Mission Partners, Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November, 10am-12.30pm at St Andrew's Church Hall, Eaton

### **Charity of the Month for September: St-Eds ([st-eds.org](http://st-eds.org))**

Offering vocational training and employability skills training to young people.

### **Talk@2**

2pm, Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September. Bridget and David Archer will share the agony and the ecstasy of their first Pilgrimage Walk from St Pauls London to St Albans in Hertfordshire. *Bridget Archer & Julie Bolt*

### **Foodbank - Harvest Appeal**

Please support the Harvest Appeal. The top 5 items requested are: Tinned vegetables, tinned meat, tinned fruit, pasta sauce, UHT milk. Also needed are: Long life fruit juice, tinned tomatoes, rice pudding, Penguin bars (or similar), tea bags (40s).

A big thank you for all the donations so far. This year we donated 202 kg, equivalent to 22 days of food.

### **Charity of the Month Donations**

Christ Church and St Andrew's raised £450 for MAF (June's charity) and £315 for Mercy Ships (July) bringing the total donated to nominated monthly charities this year to £3,023. Thank you to all who have given so generously. *Donations Team*

### **Toilet Facelift**

The main toilet has had a face lift and been freshened up with a new coat of green paint. Many thanks to Colin McLean for his encouragement and decision making on choice of colour and Simon Girling who carried out the manual work. *Bridget Archer - Christ Church Cleaner*

### **Ryrie Court Community Café**

All are warmly invited to the Café at Ryrie Court, Tuesdays at 10am, with a short service on the first Tuesday of the month

## EVENTS

Events are at Christ Church unless otherwise stated

### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September *Foodbank Collection*

3.00 pm Eaton Concert Series at St Andrew's. Concert by *Baroque Cello Sonatas*: Kate Bennett Wadsworth (cello) and Nathaniel Mander (harpsichord). Tickets: £15, students £7.50, children free. More information: [eatonconcertseries.co.uk/events](http://eatonconcertseries.co.uk/events)

### Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September

2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*. All Welcome

2.00 pm Mission Focus meeting at St Andrew's. Please come and pray for our Mission Partners and the work of the Church Mission Society. All welcome

2.30 pm Holy Communion at Chiswick House. All welcome

7.30 pm PCC meeting

### Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September *Annual Sponsored Bike Ride (see notices)*

10.00 am Choir rehearsal

### Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September

2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*

2.30 pm Holy Communion at Chiswick House. All welcome

### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September

10.30 am Eaton Mothers' Union meet at St Andrew's Church. *Our work in India with the Leprosy Mission* - Valli Rao

### Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September

2.00 pm Talk@2: To be a Pilgrim (*see Notices*)

### Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September *Patrick at Diocesan Clergy conference until Wednesday evening*

2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*

2.30 pm Holy Communion at the Hawthorns. All welcome

### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September

7.30 pm Worship Committee meet at 161 Newmarket Road

### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September

3.30 pm Funeral of William Pye at Earlham Crematorium

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September

2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*

### Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September

2.30 pm Youth and Children's Committee meet at 28 Bluebell Road

### Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October

2.30 pm Meeting of Old Eatonians at St Andrew's Church Hall. *Writing to Publish* - Stephanie Tam. *Ann Copsey (259257)*

7.30 pm Growth Group meet at 161 Newmarket Road

### Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

9.30 am Preparation of Church for Harvest (*see Notices*)

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October**

- 1.00 pm Wedding of Sophie Milne and Jonathan Gosling  
2.30 pm Preparation of Church for Harvest (*see Notices*)  
7.00 pm Harvest supper (*see Notices*)

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October      *Foodbank Collection*****Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October**

- 2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

- 10.30 am The Clare School Harvest Festival  
7.30 pm Group Council meet at 161 Newmarket Road

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October**

- 12 noon Deadline for the November Parishes Magazine. Please send contributions via email to [magazine@eatonchurches.org.uk](mailto:magazine@eatonchurches.org.uk) or leave in the Parishes' Office

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October**

- 10.00 am Choir rehearsal

**SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER****Harvest - The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

- 8 am BCP Holy Communion (Collect and readings p.182)  
10 am Harvest Festival All-age Service (John 6:25-35)  
6 pm BCP Evensong (Nehemiah 5:1-13; John 9)

**The Planned Giving Scheme**

We are very grateful for any giving, whether small or large, so thank you very much to all who give. A regular income through Planned Giving to the church is a huge help in terms of budgeting and planning.

If you might like to give regularly, please do so through the Parish Giving Scheme ([parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/eaton-christ-church-norwich/](http://parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/eaton-christ-church-norwich/)). This manages direct debit giving to the church and allows donors to give regularly and securely, to increase their donation annually according to inflation if they wish, and to give anonymously. It also reduces our bank charges and collects Gift Aid automatically. 47, slightly more than half of our regular givers, now give in this way and we would love to have more.

For more information, please speak to Tony Grubb or visit [christchurch-eaton.org.uk/about-us/giving/](http://christchurch-eaton.org.uk/about-us/giving/)

## PRAYER SUGGESTIONS

**Morning Prayer is usually said on Zoom at 9am, Mondays-Fridays**

### **The Sick and Suffering**

We pray for those who are suffering in mind, body or spirit. We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, including Amelia, Bobs, Sheila Bootman, Carrie, Claire, Phil Cooke, Anna Dunlop, Evangeline Fischer-Harrison, Penny Furze, Trish Hill, Chris Hobbs, Vivien Humber, Paul James, Jessica, John Ladd, Caroline Richmond, Dick and Val Rout, Jonathan Spelman, Ruth and Stephen Thorp, Ruth Thorp's mum, Joan and Garry Wheatley, Charlotte and Angus.

### **The Departed**

We remember and give thanks for all who have gone before us. We pray particularly for the family and friends of William Pye. Help us comfort those who mourn.

## **SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

### **Collect**

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.

### ***This week please also pray for:***

- ❖ All suffering the effects of Climate Change
- ❖ Governments: that they'll work together to combat climate change and to reach the goals already agreed
- ❖ Businesses: that they'll play their part in preserving the planet
- ❖ Research: to find ways to reduce greenhouse gases
- ❖ Our response: to find ways to reduce our carbon footprint
- ❖ The work of the Foodbank
- ❖ Our government, our local MPs, MEPs and councillors
- ❖ All who live and work in our parish

## **SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

### **Collect**

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### ***This week please also pray for:***

- ❖ Countries facing unrest, and refugees and migrants from them
- ❖ Education Sunday: for all who work and study in our local schools, colleges, universities and in adult education
- ❖ All who worship and volunteer at Christ Church
- ❖ For growth in our spiritual knowledge and commitment
- ❖ Our Sunday School and Youth Group: for the children, the leaders and helpers; preparation for the Autumn workshop
- ❖ The Diocese of Norwich, Bishop Graham, Bishop Jane and Bishop Ian
- ❖ All who work in the water and energy sectors
- ❖ The work of the St-Eds, our charity of the month

## SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER

### Collects

O almighty God, whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector to be an apostle and evangelist: give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain and the possessive love of riches that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### ***This week please also pray for:***

- ❖ Lucy and Abel Cater as they celebrate their first wedding anniversary
- ❖ All who work in and use the Parishes Office and Kinchen Hall
- ❖ Chat over a Cuppa, Talks@2, the Chosen Group, Eaton Mothers' Union, the Men's Group and The Friends of Christ Church
- ❖ Matt and the choir
- ❖ All who work in our prisons and support prisoners on their release
- ❖ Our local residential and care homes
- ❖ Peace in the world, praying especially for Ukraine, the Middle East and Sudan
- ❖ The homeless and the unemployed

## SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

### Collect

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.

### ***This week please also pray for:***

- ❖ Those facing persecution for their faith
- ❖ Those who work in the local tourism industry and in farming and food production
- ❖ Our local dentists, surgeries and hospitals; for all who are housebound or in hospital
- ❖ Help in inviting and welcoming others to Christ Church and in making them feel part of our community
- ❖ The Mission Focus group; our Mission Partners, Dick and Caroline Seed in South Africa and Mirna Paulo in Argentina
- ❖ Our PCC and committees and all who lead and support Christ Church
- ❖ The Pastoral Care Group; preparations for our Harvest weekend
- ❖ Sophie and Jonty as they are married this week

### Prayer for Growth

God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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