

NOTICES



Thank you for the flowers this week which have been kindly donated by Wendy Deverill in loving memory of family and friends who have gone ahead.

MacMillan Coffee Morning: Our annual coffee morning in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support will be on **Friday 27th September** from **9am to 12 Noon** in the Parish Community Hall. Donations of cakes and suitable raffle prizes would be most welcome. **Volunteers** are required to help on this morning. Please see Jenny or Barbara if you can help.

Chester Diocese, as part of the **National Day of Prayer for Schools** will be holding a 20 minutes prayer meeting via Zoom on **Friday 27th September from 12.10pm to 12.30pm**, to pray for Church schools within our Diocese. Meeting ID: 861 1566 1932. Passcode: 143308.

Safeguarding Training on Saturday 28th September at 10am at Wendy's house. Please see Wendy or Rev Janet for further details.

GENEROSITY WEEK 2024 is almost here (**29th of September until 6th October**) which sees the start of the Church of England's Generosity Week when we celebrate generosity. This is timed to culminate on Harvest Sunday so that, as we thank God for his generosity to us, we also have the opportunity to think about how we might respond to that generosity.

Thanks to everyone for their help and hard work on Saturday at the Heritage Open Day, Jo and Norma for the beautiful flowers, Jo for the displays, Roy for going up the Tower 7 times with 35 people, Suzy and her group of singers for the lovely hymns that everyone enjoyed listening to and joining in with, everyone who provided and helped with refreshments and stewarding, and those who helped with setting up and taking down. We had very positive feedback and generous donations from those who visited, but what came across most was how very privileged we all are to worship in and be custodians of such a beautiful, historic church.

Message from Rev Janet: an enormous thank you to everyone who put in so much time and effort to research, prepare, arrange flowers, sing etc... for our **Heritage Open Day** and to our special **Holy Cross Day**, we reckon we had at least 60 visitors, plus members of our congregation. My first one back, and I really enjoyed it, and at last I got to ascend Holy Cross Bell Tower! Thank you for working so hard to make it a special occasion!

Calendar: It has been suggested that we use some of the photographs taken for the Open Day to make a calendar for 2025. If you would be interested in buying a calendar please let the Wardens know; this is so we can gauge the likely response and decide whether or not to go ahead.

Christmas Fair: It has come to the time of year when we have to start thinking about our Christmas Fair, which will be held on **Saturday 23rd November**. We would like to have a group of people to organise the fair, so if anyone has any ideas for stalls or would like to help in any way please let the Wardens know.

Holy Cross Church, Woodchurch

Growing disciples of Christ

SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2024
THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Welcome!

Welcome to everyone here today! A particular welcome if you are with us for the first time. Please do stay for refreshments after the 10am service in the Parish Community Hall. **Gluten free wafers** are available; please ask one of the Sidespeople.

Collect: (Page 581 - The Common Worship Lectionary)

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Post Communion: (Page 581 - The Common Worship Lectionary)

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings for 8am and 10am – YEAR B – PROPER 20

1st Reading (**8am & 10am**) Proverbs 31: 10-end

Psalm (**8am**) Psalm 1

Gospel (**8am & 10am**) Mark 9: 30-37



8.00am Holy Communion – Preacher Rev Josie
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Hymns at 10am: 314/17/201/574/463/438/428
Mass Setting: Simple Mass 953

12.00 Noon NO Baptism

2.00pm Baptism Preparation Meeting

6.00pm Evensong

CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

<u>Monday</u>	23 rd Sept	9.00am	Morning Prayer in Church
		12.15pm	Choir practice in Church
		2.00pm	Craft Club in Parish Community Hall
<u>Tuesday</u>	24 th Sept	8.00pm	Bible Study via Zoom.
<u>Wednesday</u>	25 th Sept	10.00am	Holy Communion
		10.45am	Church Cleaning
		1.15pm	Community Café in the Parish Community Hall – cake sales in aid of MacMillan. All Welcome
		2.00pm	Messy Church Planning Meeting
<u>Friday</u>	27 th Sept	9.00am	MacMillan Coffee Morning in Parish Community Hall
		11.30am	Funeral at Landican

SUNDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER 2024 ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

8.00am	Holy Communion	1 st Reading (8am & 10am)	Genesis 28: 10-17
10.00am	Parish Communion and Healing	Psalms (8am)	Psalms 103: 19- end
12 Noon	Baptism	Gospel (8am & 10am)	John 1: 47-end

BIBLE READING FOR THE WEEK:

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity - Mark 9:30-37

How destructive power struggles are! All that teaching and example from Jesus and His disciples are arguing over 'pecking order'. Jesus, "bangs their heads together!" He tells them that true leadership is about service to others, not being always right.

Prayer: Lord, I find this one tough: "gracious Spirit dwell with me, I myself would gracious be".

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Sun: Leeswood Road. Mon: Linden Drive.
Tue: Lower Green. Wed: Maritime Court.
Thu: Mavis Drive. ☺ Fri: Meadow Crescent.
Sat: Merton Drive.

Those who are ill:

Myra, Elsie, Jean, Ian, Val, Margaret, Nicci, Baby Hazel

We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their passing:

Marjorie Jones, Neil Hughes, Christine Hendry,
Anthony Jordon, Jane Wills

*"Give rest O Christ to your servants with the saints, where
sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing but life
everlasting. Amen"*

Years Mind

Molly Curtis, Patricia Anne Dykes, Kathleen Harvey,
Patricia McGrath.

Our verse for the year

*"See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we
should be called children of God! And that is what we are!"
1 John 3:1 (NIV)*

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