

Please remember in your prayers

Pray for those who are not well at this time and pray for the souls of the recently departed, may they rest in peace.



Welcome!

Today we are pleased to welcome Revd Susan Watson to preach and celebrate Holy Communion at Holy Cross.

Sunday Club

Sue and Jill would like to thank you all for the cards, gift tokens and beautiful flowers that were presented to us last Sunday. These gifts were unexpected but very much appreciated. THANK YOU

Ivor Jones RIP

We were saddened to learn last week of the death of Ivor Jones.

Ivor was a lovely man and a Church Warden at Christ the King for many years.

His funeral is at 11.15am on Monday 30th and there will also be a Memorial Service to his memory at 4pm on Sunday 5th August at Christ the King.

Worship Consultation

Thank you to everyone who responded to our worship consultation. The collected responses are available at the back of church. The DCC considered the responses and have agreed to the experimental change in our worship pattern.

From Advent Sunday, 2nd December, for 12 months, the pattern will be:

- 9.00am - Holy Communion, 1st & 3rd Sundays
- 10.45am - all age, non-Eucharistic service (1st Sunday)
- Sung Eucharist (2nd - 5th Sundays)

All Age Planning Group Meeting

The initial meeting of this group will be on at 7pm on Monday 30th July at 7 Homefield Road.

The Well

Last week another 9.15kg of foodstuffs, etc were deposited at the Well. Thank You

Children's Society Boxes

Please can everyone with a home collection box let me have it for emptying during July or August?

If you would like to **START** collecting your loose change for the Children's Society, please let me know. Mike

Church Hall Refurbishment

We have managed to secure grants for the refurbishment of the Church Hall.

We are grateful to **Biffa Awards, Veolia and One Stop** for their support.

Work will start on Monday 10th September and last for approximately 7 weeks. During that time there will be no access to the Church Hall. (Some of the activities that normally take place in the Church Hall will transfer to the church.)



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Holy Cross Church

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Sunday 29th July

Trinity 9

10.45am Sung Eucharist

(Celebrant: Revd Susan Watson)

Coffee/Tea will be served at the back of church after the 10.45am Eucharist.

Please stay and join us.

Hymns for Sung Eucharist

Introit: **13** All hail the power of Jesus' name

Gradual: **138** For the fruits of his creation (Ar hyd y nos)

Offertory: **287** Just as I am (Misericordia)

Communion: **66** Bread is Blessed and broken

222 I am the bread of life

Recessional: **570** You are the king of Glory

This Week

Holiday Club in the Church Hall - Monday to Friday

Mon	30	11.15am Funeral of Ivor Jones (at Bushbury Crematorium - West Chapel) 7pm All Age Planning Group Meeting
Tues	31	2pm Craft Group 7pm Eucharist
Wed	1	6.30pm Friendship Club
Thur	2	9.30am Eucharist 10am Coffee Pop-In
Fri	3	12noon Eucharist
Sat	4	10am Place of Welcome
Sun	5	8am Eucharist 10.45am Holiday Club Service

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

COLLECT

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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 forever.

FIRST READING 2 Kings 4.42–44

A reading from the second book of Kings.

A man came bringing food from the first fruits to Elisha, the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, 'Give it to the people and let them eat.' But his servant said, 'How can I set this before a hundred people?' So he repeated, 'Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, "They shall eat and have some left."' He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Ephesians 3.14–21

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL John 6.1–21

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for

he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Jesus, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.' When Jesus realised that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ

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.

Sunday 29th July 10.45am

Welcomers: Jean H, Jean M

Reader: Carole

Prayers: Andrea

Offertory: Mary, Gill, Rita

Assist: Mike, Carole

Pebble Pool: Mary

Sunday 5th August 8am

Sides, Reader, Offertory, Assist: Mike

Sunday 5th August 10.45am

Holiday Club Service

Welcomers: Mary, Victor

Reader: Mike

Prayers: Mark

Offertory: Sheila, June, Victor

Assist: Rebecca, Mark

Pebble Pool: Mike