

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.



Church Duties

Copies of the Rota and Readings for September to November are available at the back of church.

Please collect your copy. Pam

Children's Society Boxes

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

So far this year I have banked **£238** – Thank you!

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

Ride & Stride

Ride and Stride is the annual sponsored event in aid of county Historic Churches Trusts all over England. It takes place this year on Saturday **September 8th**.

Participants are sponsored by family and friends to visit as many churches as they can between 10am and 6pm. The money is used to make grants to churches for repairs and essential maintenance and last year Holy Cross was one of the beneficiaries.

Between churches you can cycle, walk, use public transport or use your car.

As well as having the aim of raising funds for churches in need of help, Ride and Stride Day gives the opportunity to get out and about and admire our wonderful heritage of churches, many of which are normally closed

So please think about taking part – as a cyclist, walker, welcomer, sponsor – and enjoy the day!

For more information see our church rep - Mike



The Church of England

Holy Cross Church

Serving the Community of Bilbrook in the Parish of Tettenhall Regis

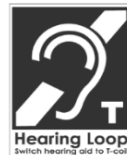
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(10am-12noon Monday-Friday)



Sunday 12th August
Trinity 11

10.45am Sung Eucharist

(Celebrant: Revd Richard Reeve)

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: **26** Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Gradual: **363** O God beyond all praising

Offertory: **220** How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

Communion: **72** Broken for me

54 Be still, my soul

Recessional: **268** Jesus Christ is waiting

Sunday 12th August 10.45am

Welcomers: Ruth, Gill

Reader: Andrea

Prayers: Carole

Offertory: Mary, Victor, Rita

Assist: Carole, Janet

Pebble Pool: Janet

Sunday 19th August 8am

Sides, Reader, Offertory, Assist: Janet

Sunday 19th August 10.45am

Welcomers: Jean M, Jean H

Reader: Kathryn

Prayers: Jo

Offertory: Gill, Grace, Rita

Assist: Mark, Mike

Pebble Pool: Janet

This Week

Mon	13	
Tues	14	2pm Craft Group 7pm Eucharist
Wed	15	6.30pm Friendship Club
Thur	16	9.30am Eucharist 10am Coffee Pop-In
Fri	17	12noon Eucharist 2pm Ladies Circle - Skittles
Sat	18	10am Place of Welcome
Sun	19	8am Eucharist 10.45am Sung Eucharist

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

COLLECT

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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 1 Kings 19.4–8

A reading from the first book of Kings.

Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: 'It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, 'Get up and eat.' He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, 'Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you.' He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Ephesians 4.25 – 5.2

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL John 6.35, 41–51

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said to the crowd, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.' Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ

POST COMMUNION

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord.