

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.



Sunday Refreshments

The facilities at the Church Hall will soon be available to us again and the serving of drinks after the 10.45am Eucharist will resume.

If you agree that this is a valuable aspect of our Church life you may want to ensure that it continues by signing up for duty at forthcoming services. (Full training & support!)

If there is insufficient support, we will not be able to guarantee the provision of refreshments after the 10.45am service on a regular basis. Mike

Have you got a DBS Certificate?

Everyone who has a DBS Certificate must complete a Safeguarding Course. The first two sessions (C0 and C1) are done 'on-line'.

Children's Society Collection Boxes

Thank you to everyone who has helped the Children's Society by collecting their loose change in a collection box.

Our total for the year is £434.01.

If you would like to have a box and help children in this way, please let me know. Mike

Macmillan Coffee Mornings

A total of **£258.50** was raised at our two Coffee Mornings on Thursday 27th and Saturday 29th September. Thank you to all who contributed.

Rosemary

Refurbished Church Hall

We are holding an 'OPEN AFTERNOON' from 1pm - 4pm on Friday 2nd November, when light refreshments will be served. Come along, have a good nose and see what you think of the improvements.

Help with refreshments would be appreciated.

Sunday 21st October 8am

Sides, Reader, Offertory, Assist: Mike

Sunday 21st October 10.45am

Welcomers: Mary, Victor

Reader: Kathryn

Prayers: Andrea

Offertory: Gill, Mary, Victor

Assist: Rebecca, Mark

Pebble Pool: Mike

Sunday 28th October 10.45am

Welcomers: Sue, Jill

Reader: Jo

Prayers: Mark

Offertory: Grace, June, Rebecca

Assist: Janet, Mike

Pebble Pool: Mike



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Holy Cross Church

The church at the heart of our community

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(10am-12noon Monday-Friday)



Sunday 21st October

Trinity 21

8am Eucharist

(Celebrant: Revd Simon Douglas)

10.45am Sung Eucharist

(Celebrant: Revd Simon Douglas)

Hymns for Sung Eucharist

Introit: **270** Jesus is Lord

Gradual: **242** Immortal, invisible

Offertory: **56** Be thou my vision

Communion: **335** Meekness and majesty

484 The king of love my shepherd is (Dominus Regit)

Recessional: **235** I, the Lord of sea and sky

This Week

Mon	22	
Tues	23	2pm Craft Group 7pm Eucharist
Wed	24	9.15am Bilbrook Middle School Harvest Service 6.30pm Friendship Club
Thur	25	9.30am Eucharist 10am Coffee Pop-In
Fri	26	12noon Eucharist
Sat	27	10am Place of Welcome
Sun	28	10.45am Sung Eucharist

Twenty first Sunday after Trinity

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; 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 Isaiah 53.4–12

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Hebrews 5.1–10

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.'

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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GOSPEL Mark 10.35–45

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptised with the baptism that I am baptised with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptised, you will be baptised; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.' When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognise as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ

POST COMMUNION

Father of light, in whom is no change or shadow of turning, you give us every good and perfect gift and have brought us to birth by your word of truth: may we be a living sign of that kingdom where your whole creation will be made perfect in Jesus Christ our Lord.