

Services & Diary Dates

Monday	25 th	2100 Online Compline
Tuesday	26 th	1930 Said Eucharist
Wednesday	27 th	1030 Said Eucharist 1100 Coffee for All 2000 Zoom Prayer Meeting
Thursday	28 th	1200 Thursday Lunches 2100 Online Compline
Friday	29 th	
Saturday	30 th	
Sunday	31 st	0800 Said Eucharist 0915 Parish Communion

Wednesday @11am Coffee for All
URGENT: We need a couple of helpers and an Assistant Organiser to join the team. Please contact Sally Ewers who would be delighted to hear from you. Tel no: 01707 330723



We still need a few more helpers with our Thursday Lunches team...

If you can help once in every 6 weeks, please e-mail Julie Lowes: craiglowesstfrancis@gmail.com

News

Tue 2nd Nov @8pm All Souls' Day - Sung Eucharist

If you are attending this service and would like the name of a departed one to be read out, please write on the list in the porch.

Women's Group re-starting on Sunday 21st November, early evening. Hoping to offer as both virtual and in person meeting.

The flowers in church this week have been donated by the Woolmington family in loving memory of Gerry, whose anniversary falls on 28th Oct.

News from Joan Gilbert:

Joan was licensed as a Reader in the Diocese of Leeds by Bishop Toby on 17th Oct. Please keep her in our prayers as she begins work to establish her ministry there.

REMINDER: Social distancing rules still in place! Use hand sanitiser gel upon entry & exit and keep your masks on whilst on the premises!

Welcome

Sunday 24th October 2021

Bible Sunday

Services Today

8am SAID EUCHARIST

9:15am PARISH COMMUNION

Followed by Parish Coffee in the Hall - all welcome.

Youth & Children's Church (YACC) YACC sessions take place in their usual age groups within the Govt's COVID-19 guidelines.

Age 2½ to Reception and Years 1&2, 3 & 4 - Hall

(Younger children including babies who are accompanied are very welcome)

Years 5 -7 Song school; Year 8 upwards in the Cellar

Music

Hymns to be sung by the congregation with masks on!

277 504 278 612

Choir: Wood in the Phrygian Mode
Harris - Prevent us O Lord

This week we pray for all who live and work in Parkway Close and Barleycroft Green.

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OPENING HOURS (0930 - 1200):

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Sunday 24 October 2021
Bible Sunday

Collect

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Isaiah 55: 1-11

The Lord says this: Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples,

a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

2 Timothy 3: 14 - 4:5

Continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred

writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching.

For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

John 5: 36b-47

Jesus said to the Jews: 'I have a testimony greater than John's. The works that the Father has given me to complete, the very works that I am doing, testify on my behalf that the Father has sent me.

And the Father who sent me has himself testified on my behalf. You have never heard his voice or seen his form, and you do not have his word abiding in you, because you do not believe him whom he has sent.

You search the scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that testify on my behalf.

Yet you refuse to come to me to have life. I do not accept glory from human beings. But I know that you do not have the love of God in you.

I have come in my Father's name, and you do not accept me; if another comes in his own name, you will accept him.

How can you believe when you accept glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the one who alone is God?

Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; your accuser is Moses, on whom you have set your hope.

If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me.

But if you do not believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?'



Bible Sunday ... thanking God for the precious gift of his word

Next Sunday: Wisdom 3: 1-9; Revelation 21: 1-6a; John 11: 32-44