

Services & Diary Dates

Monday	8 th	
Tuesday	9 th	1930 Said Eucharist
Wednesday	10 th	1030 Said Eucharist 1100 Coffee for All 2000 Zoom Prayer Meeting
Thursday	11 th	1200 Thursday Lunches
Friday	12 th	
Saturday	13 th	
Sunday	14 th	0800 Said Eucharist 0915 Parish Communion

Images and sound of our services may be recorded or streamed on the Internet

Receiving of Communion is not filmed

If you do not wish to be seen please do not sit in the 3 rows nearest the altar in the main church or in the front row of the children's chapel

If you or your children choose to take part in a sermon or all age talk this may be filmed. If you have any questions, please ask one of the welcomers.

News

WILD Church (Forest Church)
Sunday 11th Sep from 3 to 4pm

A space to gather for outdoor themed activities and a chance to explore faith together with refreshments for all the family to enjoy. For more details, contact Nikki on:
children@stfranciswgc.org.uk

Christian Aid Quiz Night
5pm on Saturday, 17th Sep in the Hall. Please invite friends, families or neighbours, get your teams together or come and form a team with new friends! (BYO) Bring your own drinks. Ticket: £12 includes a chippy supper with options of: Fish (gluten free batter available), Roast Chicken or Vegetarian Burger (instead of chips you may opt for a fresh salad). We are offering a Raffle on the night with some lovely hampers of food and drinkables. More details soon. All proceeds donated to Christian Aid.

25th Sep Harvest Festival - 10am Family Communion service for all ages. We have plans for some exciting presentations to involve younger church members and a sharing meal to follow. Watch this space as more details will be announced later this summer.

Welcome

Sunday 7th August 2022

Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Services Today

8am SAID EUCHARIST

9:15am PARISH COMMUNION

Followed by Parish Coffee in the Hall - All are welcome.

Youth & Children's Church (YACC) Until 21st August:

During the Summer holidays Nikki will be providing activities & craft in the Children's Chapel. The Parish Room is available for anyone who needs a breakout space - the service can be heard and seen on a monitor from here.

Congregational setting: Lloyd (Gloria, Sanctus & Benedictus)

Music

Hymns: 208 (part 2 & doxology) 719 455 437 (tune 362)

Choir on Summer Break until 11th September

This week we pray for all who live and work in Bridge Road, The Campus, Woodside House, Rosanne House and Peel Court.



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Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Genesis 15: 1-6

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.'
But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?'
And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.'
But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.'
The Lord brought Abraham outside and said, 'Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.'
And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.
Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going.
By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise.
For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even

though he was too old - and Sarah herself was barren - because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.'
All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland.
If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return.
But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Luke 12: 32-40

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.
Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys.
For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks.
Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them.
If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.
But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

**Next Readings: Jeremiah 23: 23-29; Hebrews 11: 29 – 12: 2;
Luke 12: 49-56**