Services & Diary Dates

Monday	11 th	
Tuesday	12 th	1930 Said Eucharist
Wednesday	13 th	1000 Toddle Time playgroup 1030 Said Eucharist 1100 Coffee for All 2000 Zoom Prayer Meeting
Thursday	14 th	1200 Thursday Lunches
Friday	15 th	1400 Knit, Hook & Stitch
Saturday	16 th	
Sunday	17 th	0800 Said Eucharist 0915 Parish Communion

25th

CTF2023 is our Silver Jubilee!!

Christmas Tree Festival 9th to 10th December

Graham and his team are planning for 2023 to be a really special CTF anniversary event.

Don't miss out, get your tree entry in early!

Would you like to exhibit or volunteer on one of the stalls? Contact Graham Bloye on: stfrancisctf@outlook.com if you like more details. If you would like an entry form, please help yourselves to

the copies available in the porch.

News

ishop of St Alban's Harvest Appeal 023: Cracking Food Poverty Together upports Mission Direct's work in

Cumi, Uganda, by providing materially poor families with hickens. The Harvest unday's collection

vill go to this 'crackingly' good ause!

24th Sep @10am Harvest - Family Communion & 6pm Choral Evensong

Christian Aid Quiz Nite

Sat 30th Sep 5:30 to 8pm

All are welcome. (BYO) Bring your own food and drink! Adults: £5, Children: free entry. 6 persons per team. Please sign up on the list in the porch.

There are many members of the congregation who regularly visit people who are housebound or perhaps just welcome a friendly CTF face. Thank you!

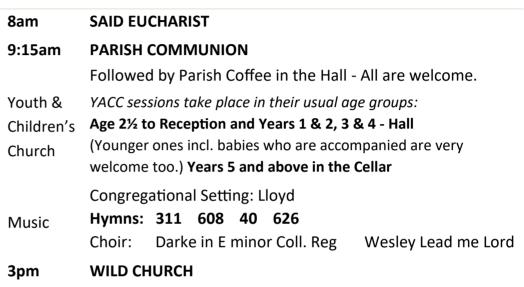
If you are someone who would appreciate a visit from time to time (or know someone who might), or alternatively someone who would like to look after a person by dropping in to see them occasionally, please contact Andrew Watkinson, who has offered to be an informal coordinator. 07913 923364 or andrewwatkinson@btinternet.com

Welcome

Sunday 10th September 2023

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Services Today



Today we welcome Bernadette Peters, Freya Nwokoro and Edward Apling who are singing with the choir for the first time having completed their initial training.

This week we pray for all who live and work in Wigmores North and Wigmores South.

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10th September 2023 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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 for ever.

Ezekiel 33: 7-11

The word of the Lord came to me: So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me.

If I say to the wicked, 'O wicked ones, you shall surely die,' and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand.

But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: 'Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?'

Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Romans 13: 8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'

Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Matthew 18: 15-20

Jesus spoke to his disciples. 'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one.

But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses.

If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector.

Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven.

For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

Next Readings: Genesis 50: 15-21; Romans 14: 1-12; Matthew 18: 21-35