Services & Diary Dates		
Monday	16 <sup>th</sup>	2000 PCC Meeting
Tuesday	17 <sup>th</sup>	1930 Said Eucharist 1400 Funeral Service - James Coldrey
Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup>	<ul><li>1000 ToddleTime playgroup</li><li>1030 Said Eucharist</li><li>1100 Coffee for All</li><li>2000 Zoom prayer group</li></ul>
Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup>	1200 Thursday Lunches
Friday	20 <sup>th</sup>	<ul><li>1400 Knit, Hook &amp; Stitch</li><li>1900 Choir Practice</li></ul>
Saturday	<b>★ 21</b> st	1700 St Francis Quiznite
Sunday	<b>22</b> <sup>nd</sup>	<ul><li>0800 Said Eucharist</li><li>0915 Parish Communion</li><li>1100 Interment of Ashes -</li><li>Aleyn Barr</li></ul>

Next Saturday, 21st Sep - SF Quiznite!
5:30 to 8pm, Doors open @5pm
Adult: £5, Children: Free Entry!
Get your team(s) together or come as you are and form a team with others!
Teams of 6, ideally. BYO food and drinks.

Contactless payments on the night.

The Sign-up list is on the main noticeboard.

Help needed! 3 Volunteers per date:
Adult helpers to serve interval drinks <u>one</u>
Saturday per month during WG Concert
Club's season starting, 19th October.

The sign-up list is on the main noticeboard. Thank you.

## News

IMPORTANT: Changes to our banking arrangements and Moving on to <a href="Parish Giving Scheme">Parish Giving Scheme (PGS)</a>:

Last Friday this notice was circulated from Rev'd Jenny's e-mail. If anyone has not received it, please e-mail: admin@stfranciswgc.org.uk. Printed versions are also available in the porch for anyone who needs a paper copy. Please take a copy of Parish Giving Scheme flyer (how to move your current Standing Orders (for regular givers) to Direct Debits into PGS) and tax-efficient giving for new givers.

Tue, 17<sup>th</sup> Sep @2pm - Funeral Service of James Coldrey takes place in church with reception in the Hall afterwards.

Sun, 22<sup>nd</sup> Sep, from 11am to 4pm - Macmillan Coffee Morning hosted by Liz Hyde and friends at No. 61, Valley Rd. For more details, please refer to the poster on the noticeboard.

Sun, 22<sup>nd</sup> Sep @6pm Choral Evensong
Sun, 29<sup>th</sup> Sep @10am Harvest Festival
Family Communion Service
One service on the day, suitable for all
ages. All are welcome.

**Events for your diaries:** 

Sun, 6<sup>th</sup> Oct - Afternoon Garden Party Sat, 9<sup>th</sup> Nov - Talent Show & Concert (more details soon)

## Welcome

# Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2024

## 16th Sunday after Trinity

Services Today



8am SAID EUCHARIST

9:15am PARISH COMMUNION

Do join us for Coffee in the Hall afterwards

Youth & Children's Church (YACC):

Age appropriate sessions take place during the service (in term time) for our younger people.

Groups for children age 2½ to 11 in the Hall Groups for age 12+ in the Parish Room

Hymns: 490 236 (2<sup>nd</sup> tune) 393 604

Congregational Setting: Tambling

Music sung by choir: Stanford in C and F

Brent-Smith Come my way

Prayers: This week we pray for all who live and work in

Wigmores North and Wigmores South

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## Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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.

## Isaiah 50: 4-9a

The servant of the Lord said:

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens - wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards.

I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

## James 3: 1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs.

So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue - a restless evil, full of deadly poison.

With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so.

Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water?

Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

## Mark 8: 27-38

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.'

Jesus asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life?

Indeed, what can they give in return for their life?

Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Next Sunday: Jeremiah 11: 18-20; James 3: 13-4: 3, 7-8a; Mark 9: 30-37