

## Welcome to our services today

Sunday 27 October 2024  
Last Sunday after Trinity



**SAID EUCHARIST, 8am**

**PARISH COMMUNION, 9.15am**

Followed by refreshments and chat in the Hall.

No Youth and Children's groups running today due to schools' half-term week.

We have various resources and activity bags in the Children's Chapel available for younger children.

Next Sunday, Groups for Years 6 and above will meet, as usual in the Parish Room, but not the Groups for ages up to Year 5 (Hall).

Hymns: 253, 208 (parts 2 & 3), 711, 612

Congregational Setting: Lloyd

Choir Music: None

Readings: Jeremiah 31: 7-9; Hebrews 7: 23-28; Mark 10: 46-52

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

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

Parish Office (mornings Wed-Fri): 01707 694191 admin@stfranciswgc.org.uk

Reverend Canon Jenny Fennell: 01707 320960 vicar@stfranciswgc.org.uk

St Francis of Assisi, CoE Church Road, WGC, AL8 6QJ Registered Charity No: 112984

## Services & Diary Dates: this week

Tue 29 Oct	Said Eucharist, 7.30pm
Wed 30 Oct	Said Eucharist, 10.30am Coffee for All, 10.30am Prayer Group (online via Zoom), 8pm
Thur 31 Oct	Thursday Lunches, 12 noon
Sun 2 Nov	Said Eucharist, 8am Parish Communion, 9.15am 'Frankie's at 5' informal worship, 5pm

## Services & Diary Dates: further ahead

Sun 1 Dec	Advent Carol Service, 6pm
Sat 7 & Sun 8 Dec	Christmas Tree Festival, 12-5pm
Sun 15 Dec	Family Nativity Service, 9.15am
Sat 21 Dec	Family Carols Service, 4pm
Sun 22 Dec	Nine Lessons & Carols Service, 6pm

## Our church thrives through volunteers - can you help?

*See foyer noticeboard for details and sign up sheets.*

- **Participants of all ages needed for our Talent Show, 9 Nov.**
- Christmas Tree Festival volunteers & raffle/tombola donations.
- New for The Giving Tree at the Festival this year: (Non-food) wrapped gifts with tags needed for The Foodbank, WGC.

Thank you to our army of helpers with the many 'household jobs' in church so cheerfully and willingly behind the scenes.

## News

Our old HSBC bank account closes in November with changes in our banking arrangements. Details on the notices in the foyer.

Receiving our monthly e-newsletter? We'd love to include you, if not. You can also keep up to date at [www.stfranciswgc.org.uk](http://www.stfranciswgc.org.uk)  
See our website for links to our social media too.

The flowers in church this week have been donated by Anne Woolmington and family in loving memory of Gerry.

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2024**  
**Last Sunday after Trinity**

**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.

**Jeremiah 31: 7-9**

Thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, 'Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel.'

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labour, together; a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

**Hebrews 7: 23-28**

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues for ever.

Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens.

Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself.

For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever.

**Mark 10: 46-52**

As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside.

When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.'

So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.'

Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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