



# THE PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY

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**19 JULY 2026**

## SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



**Welcome to our Service today and welcome if you  
are reading this at home**

**8am - BCP Holy Communion**

**9.30am – Sung Eucharist**

### **HYMNS & MUSIC FOR TODAY'S SERVICES**

**368** - All my hope on God is founded

**153** - Now the green blade riseth

**270** - Come, ye thankful people, come

**591** - The kingdom of God is justice and joy

#### **Choir and Organ Music:**

##### **Before the service:**

Pièce d'Orgue, BWV 572 – *JS Bach*

A Prelude for Pont Street – *Christopher Tambling*

##### **At the Communion:**

**Choir:** Panis Angelicus – *Christopher Tambling*

**Organ:** Adagio cantabile – *Christopher Tambling*

Largo e spiccato (Concerto in D minor, BWV 596iv) – *JS Bach*

##### **Voluntary:**

Fanfare for St Gregory – *Christopher Tambling*

## **COLLECT**

Lord of all power and might,  
the author and giver of all good things:  
graft in our hearts the love of your name,  
increase in us true religion,  
nourish us with all goodness,  
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;  
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.  
**Amen.**

## **FIRST READING**

### **The Book of Wisdom - 12. 13, 16 - 19**

For neither is there any god besides you,  
whose care is for all people,  
to whom you should prove that you have not  
judged unjustly;

For your strength is the source of  
righteousness,  
and your sovereignty over all causes you to  
spare all.

For you show your strength when people  
doubt the completeness of your power,  
and you rebuke any insolence among those  
who know it.

Although you are sovereign in strength, you  
judge with mildness,  
and with great forbearance you govern us;  
for you have power to act whenever you  
choose.

Through such works you have taught your  
people  
that the righteous must be kind,  
and you have filled your children with good  
hope,  
because you give repentance for sins.

## **GOSPEL READING**

### **Matthew 13. 24 - 30, 36 - 43**

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field?"

Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn."

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,  
ever giving himself that the world may live:  
may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion  
that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

## **MESSAGE FROM BISHOP ROBERT –**

'An enemy has done this!' Whenever I hear the parable of the wheat and the tares (as it used to be called), with the farmer angry at an infestation of weeds growing in his fields, I think of my own back garden and my constant battle against weeds. Jesus uses the story as a picture of the inequities of life in which the good, the indifferent and the malicious live side by side. Jesus holds out the prospect of the Last Judgement when God will bring justice and sort the wheat from

the dross. Until then, we strive for integrity in our lives and seek justice for the downtrodden. Today we are witnessing throughout the world the politics of anger. Morality has been outsourced to the market. Too many people in positions of public trust think that if you can get away with it, you would be a fool not to do it. Words from the Old Testament are both a rebuke and a consolation: 'Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with us with mildness O Lord and govern us with great forbearance. You have taught us that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good hope because you give repentance for sins.'

### **SPECIAL THANKS**

Special thanks to +Robert who presides and preaches at this morning's Sung Eucharist at Holy Trinity.

### **THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY -**

Very many thanks to everyone who supported The Children's Society stall in any way at The Street Market. The amazing sum of £300 was raised. Thank you so much. E. Forbes.

### **THANK YOU FROM PAM APSEY -**

I want to say a thank you to the congregation of Holy Trinity Church. Over the many years mum lived in Bradford on Avon, I know she was given so much love and support and I have felt that support in these recent years. The service on Friday was beautiful and many were there to give thanks for her wonderful long life. Her family were made to feel very welcomed. To all who helped that afternoon and in particular the hospitality team, who showed much patience and understanding, Thank You.

### **KADUGLI NEWSLETTER -**

Printed copies of the July 26 newsletter are on the Welcome Desk. Please take one if you would like to. The Salisbury Diocese supports the Diocese of Kadugli in South Sudan.

### **BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION -**

If you would like to be baptised and confirmed as an adult please could you get in touch directly with Jenny, who welcomes your

enquiry and preparation towards what would be a special service – all welcome.

### **WEEKLY WEDNESDAY HOLY COMMUNION**

There will be no Wednesday Holy Communion on 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 29<sup>th</sup> July

### **CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF HOLY TRINITY'S HENRY WILLIS ORGAN -**

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August –  
12.00pm Lunch hour  
Organ Concert - Jean-  
René André, Organiste  
Titulaire, Rennes  
Cathedral



Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August –  
5.00pm Summer  
Organ Concert - Timothy Parsons  
Director of Music, Wells Cathedral

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September –  
5.00pm Hymns and Pimm's -  
more info to follow but not to be missed!

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September –  
12.00pm Lunch hour Organ Concert - Marcus  
Sealy, former Sub Organist at Bath Abbey

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September –  
7.00pm Autumn Concert, Salisbury Cathedral  
Choir

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October –  
time tba 'Come and Sing Evensong' -  
directed by Simon Lole – details to follow

### **HOLY TRINITY NOTICES**

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please send all messages for the bulletin by  
Wednesday 12pm to Annie on:  
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**BIRTHDAYS** - Happy Birthday, prayers and  
blessings to all those with birthdays in this  
season.

## THIS WEEK @ HT

**MORNING PRAYER** – Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays @ 8.30am.

**MAINLY MUSIC** – Tuesday @ 10.30am – fun & friendship for pre-school families (contact Marlene on 864412 if you'd like to come).



marlene.haffenden@googlemail.com

**SAXON CLUB** – Tuesday @ 2.30pm – fellowship and various activities for seniors.

**COMMUNITY CAFÉ** – Wednesdays from 10am-12noon - weekly community café – coffee/tea and biscuits will be provided on a donation basis.

## FUTURE EVENTS @ HT

**CHILDREN'S AND FAMILY SUMMER HOLIDAY CRAFT AND PLAY MORNINGS -**

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July, 10.30 - 12noon.



Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August, 10.30 - 12noon

£3 per family. Parents must be present - ALL WELCOME!

**BENEFICE 'BRING AND SHARE' GARDEN PARTY @ THE RECTORY** - Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 3 - 5pm. All welcome.

**TRIO PARADIS CAFÉ CONCERT -**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August, 10.45 am. This month's theme is - Shall We Dance?

## FOR OUR PRAYERS

**Please pray for all who are sick, remembering especially:** Tony Bruun, Mary Dawson, Anne Harris, Celia Milne, Alison Penny, Geneviève Roberts, Edward Shaw, Malcolm Walsh, James Wright, Bex Cox & Chris Giles

**Pray for the recently departed and all who mourn them, especially:** Alice Moody

**Pray for all those whose anniversary of death falls at this time, especially:**

**Please let Revd Jenny, Marlene (LPA) and Tony Haffenden (LPA) know of any pastoral need, including prayer.**

## FOR PRAYER THIS WEEK

- Our Benefice-affiliated schools: St Laurence, Fitzmaurice Primary, The Mead School, Westwood and Iford Primary School, all parents, pupils, teachers and staff.
- All leaders in our Church.
- Peace & Stability for all People.
- Our Natural world & the Earth's Resources.
- The Criminal Justice System.
- The unemployed seeking work.
- Blessings on our homes, families & friends.



We continue to work together in our shared commitment to Safeguarding: **'The Benefice of Bradford on Avon Holy Trinity,**

**Westwood and Wingfield takes its responsibilities surrounding the safeguarding of children, young people, and adults who may be at risk, very seriously. We work in partnership with the Diocese of Salisbury to ensure that we work in accordance with best practices at all times.'**

**SAFEGUARDING** - If you have any Safeguarding concerns please speak to the clergy or our Safeguarding Adviser for the Benefice: **Andrea Unwin** 07553161654  
Email: [safeguarding@htboa.org](mailto:safeguarding@htboa.org)  
If you are concerned that someone you know is at risk of or is being abused, or presents a risk to others, please seek advice from: [safeguarding@salisbury.anglican.org](mailto:safeguarding@salisbury.anglican.org) to speak to a caseworker, or the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor 01722 438651, option 3

**NEXT WEEK – 26 JULY – EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**8am** - BCP Holy Communion  
**9.30am** – Sung Eucharist

**Readings:**

1 Kings 3. 5 - 12

Matthew 13. 31 - 33, 44 - 52