Grapevine

The Sunday bulletin for Holy Trinity, Bradford on Avon

Sunday 1 November 2026
All Saints Day

Rooted – Growing – Fruitful
Life in all its fullness

I have come that you may have life
and have it in all its fullness

John 10.10

TODAY

08:00 **Holy Communion (BCP)**

09:30 **Sung Eucharist on the Feast of All Saints**

15:00 **Remembering Service**

HYMNS AND MUSIC

The details of the hymns and music are provided within today's printed Order of Service.

Organ Music before the Service
Variations on 'Sine Nomine' - Denis Bédard
Solemn Melody - Henry Walford Davies
Processional: 'When the saints go marching in' - Rebecca Groom te Velde

Organ Voluntary
Introduction and Toccata on 'Ye watchers and ye holy ones' - Nicholas Choveaux

TODAY
continued

COLLECT on the Feast of All Saints

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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 – Revelation 7. 9-end

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

GOSPEL READING – Matthew 5. 1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of

heaven. ‘Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. ‘Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. ‘Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. ‘Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. ‘Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. ‘Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. ‘Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ‘Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.’

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY
All Saints

What do we make of the Beatitudes, Jesus’ blessings on the poor in spirit, those who mourn, the meek and those who hunger for justice? They turn the wisdom of the world upside down: our culture celebrates strength, success, and self-assertion, yet Jesus blesses those the world often overlooks.

Today, All Saints, we remember these blessings are the language of sainthood. Not all those we know as saints were perfect. Some weren’t particularly nice people; some were awkward; some were quite ordinary! But they shared an awareness that, even amid the struggles of earthly life, the light of heaven sustained them.

The Beatitudes don’t offer easy comfort: those who seek justice meet opposition; those who mourn know real sorrow. And we may see suffering in the world and ask what becomes of the meek, the wrongly accused, and those who long for peace. The answer is not always a happy one, yet we are called to listen, speak the truth, and examine our own failures as honestly as we condemn others.

We are all sinners, and yet we are called to be saints. May our hearts daily be open to the love of God, and may we pray that Christ’s blessings become real among us. For Christ, with the company of saints,

surrounding our steps, and with his light as our guide on the road to heaven.

THIS WEEK: 1st NOVEMBER – 8th NOVEMBER

MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER

10:00 All Souls Eucharist - all welcome

TUESDAY 3rd NOVEMBER

08:30 Morning Prayer

WEDNESDAY 4th NOVEMBER

08:30 Morning Prayer

THURSDAY 5th NOVEMBER

08:30 Morning Prayer

SUNDAY SERVICES – NOVEMBER

SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER (Remembrance Sunday)

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Town Remembrance Service

SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER (2nd Sunday before Advent)

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
09:30 Sung Eucharist

SUNDAY 22nd NOVEMBER (Feast of Christ the King)

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
09:30 Sung Eucharist for the Feast of Christ the King

SUNDAY 29th NOVEMBER (Advent Sunday)

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
09:30 Sung Eucharist for Advent Sunday
18:00 BACT Carol Service

NOTICES FOR THE GRAPEVINE

Please send requests for the new Grapevine *by Wednesday 12:00* to Annie at: beneficeoffice@htboa.org

ALL SOULS EUCHARIST

Please join us for the All Souls Eucharist, Monday 2nd November at 10:00

THANK YOU

Thank you so much to everyone who so generously gave cards and gifts, and for the lovely cake! I am so touched by your kindness and thoughtfulness and feel very blessed to be here with such a generous and caring church family. Thank you for making this week so special, and for all the ways you bring joy into the life of our parish church.

With grateful thanks, prayers and blessings, Jenny

THANK YOU

To the churchwardens - Hugh and Christopher, David Hare and the PCC for their commitment and all they do behind the scenes.

THANK YOU

To Bishop Robert for presiding and preaching at today's Sung Eucharist and to Graham Dove for being with us for the Remembering Service.

PASTORAL NETWORK

In wanting to build our pastoral network if there is anyone who might like to explore pastoral visiting, pastoral reflection and even the possibility of training in due course, and being commissioned to serve as a Lay Pastoral Assistant, please do be in touch with Jenny.

CONFIRMATION AT HOLY TRINITY

If you would like to be confirmed by Bishop Robert at Holy Trinity on 17th January 2027, please be in touch with the Rector.

POLISHERS

If anyone would like to form a brass cleaning team please could you let Annie know.

HOLY TRINITY SHOE BOX APPEAL FOR THE CHILDREN OF UKRAINE

We would be very grateful for some / all donations of the following items: torches, ready to use hand warmers, children's warm socks, gloves and hats, small hot water bottles, soaps, flannels, toothbrushes, toothpaste, rubbers, pencil sharpeners, felt tip pens and pads, disposable medical

gloves which are always desperately needed, packet soups and dry snacks, and sweets with a long sell by date (March 2027). It costs a minimum of £3.50 to send each shoe box; if you would like to contribute to this, it would be greatly appreciated. Please put any cash gifts in an envelope and give them to Annie in the office marked "Shoe Box" or use the credit card machine and preface your payment with "Shoe Box". We are hoping to pack and send 100 boxes to the Ukrainian charity, SOURCE, with the local Ukrainian community. Helpers will be on hand at Holy Trinity on Saturday 14th November from 13:00 to receive your shoe boxes or help you pack whatever items you can bring, see below. The boxes will be blessed on Sunday 15th November during the 09:30 Eucharist service and sent the following week.

Please can you contact David Hare if you are willing to help on 14th November from 13:00 (pccsecretary@htboa.org). Please help if you can and give this really worthy cause both your time and whatever you can find for the Shoe Boxes.

Thank you, David Hare. PCC Secretary on behalf of the PCC

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

This year's Christmas Tree Festival dates are as follows – Set up on Sunday & Monday - 6th & 7th December. During 8th - 13th the festival is open every day. We clear away on Monday 14th. I would very much appreciate your help to set up, steward, serve refreshments and clear away, so please put these dates in your diary. We will put volunteer lists on the Welcome Desk nearer the time. Many thanks, John Cox

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CHURCH COMMUNITY

MAINLY MUSIC

Tuesdays at 10:30 – fun & friendship for pre-school families (contact Marlene on 864412 / marlene.haffenden@googlemail.com if you'd like to come along).

SAXON CLUB

Tuesdays at 14:30 – Fellowship and various activities for seniors.

COMMUNITY CAFÉ

Wednesdays from 10:00 –12:00. Weekly community café – coffee/tea and biscuits will be provided on a donation basis.

TRIO PARADIS CAFÉ CONCERT

Thursday 5th November at 10:45

ST MARY TORY
Contemplative Prayer, St Mary Tory, 18:00–19:00, on Thursday 5th November. Everyone welcome.

FUTURE EVENTS

TRINITY TOTS
Thursday 12th November, 10:30–12:00. Craft and play morning for children. £3 per family. Parents must be present – ALL WELCOME!

SAVE THE CHILDREN FAIR
Saturday 14th November, 10:00–13:00

ROLLING HARMONY CONCERT
Sunday 15th November, 16:00–17:00. Refreshments will be served from 15:15 with all proceeds going to Holy Trinity.

FORGET-ME-NOT-CAFÉ
Thursday 19th November, 11:00–12:30. A fun, free and informal time for anyone who would enjoy some good company and people with memory problems, their families and carers.

CLARINET & PIANO RECITAL with THE REVD JENNY NELSON (CLARINET) and DAVID ARKELL (PIANO)
Thursday 26th November at 12:00. A free lunchtime concert featuring music by Elgar, Fauré, Rachmaninov, Saint-Saëns, Pierné and Vaughan Williams. All welcome!

PRAYER DIARY

Prayers for All Saints and All Souls:

God of justice and peace, we remember all who suffer through war, persecution and injustice. May the light of Christ shine in the darkest places, and may the example of the saints inspire us to work for a world where all may live in peace.

God of holiness and mercy, we give thanks for all the saints who have gone before us. Keep your Church faithful to the way of Christ, humble in its failures, courageous in speaking truth, and generous in love. May we follow the saints in bringing your light to the world.

God of eternal life, we pray for our community, for all who are lonely or grieving, and for those whose death we remember today. Comfort those

who mourn, hold the departed in your mercy, and bring us all, with the company of saints, to the joy of your eternal kingdom.
Amen.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for all who are sick, remembering especially: Tony Bruun, Celia Milne, Alison Penny, Geneviève Roberts, Edward Shaw, Malcolm Walsh, James Wright, Tony Haffenden, Ken Holloway, Sue Lavis, Mavis Linstrum, Candice Wong & Chris Giles

We also pray for those who have recently died, and all who mourn them:

And we also pray for all those whose anniversary of death is at this time, especially: David Driscoll

Please let Revd Jenny, Marlene Haffenden (LPA) and Graham Dove (LLM) know of any pastoral need, including prayer.

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.

If you have any Safeguarding concerns please speak to the clergy or our Benefice Safeguarding Officer: **Andrea Unwin** – Tel: 07553161654 Email: safeguarding@htboa.org. Advice is also available from: safeguarding@salisbury.anglican.org. To speak to a caseworker, or the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor 01722 438651, option 3

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[The Rector's usual weekly day off is a Friday]