

# WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH!

## NOTICE SHEET FOR AUGUST 2025



Here for Christ – here for you

A very warm welcome if you are joining us today.

Our services are in Church and on Zoom. We usually video the 8am and 6pm sermons and 10am service and upload them on Facebook later. If you would like to join any of our services on Zoom, please ring 250844 or email Catherine Richmond on [services@christchurch-eaton.org.uk](mailto:services@christchurch-eaton.org.uk) for the details.

If you would like a visit from Patrick the Vicar, or more information, please fill in one of the Welcome Cards you will find in the pews and hand it to Patrick, a warden or a sidesperson. Please join us for refreshments at the back of Church after the 10am service.

### SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> AUGUST The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

- 8 am**      **BCP Holy Communion** (Collect and Readings p.167)
- 10 am**      **Family Communion**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading:    Hosea 11:1-11 (Old Testament p.857)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:    Colossians 3:1-11 (New Testament p.198)  
Gospel:          Luke 12:13-21 (New Testament p.71)
- 6 pm**      **BCP Evensong**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading:    Genesis 50:4-26 (Old Testament p.49)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:    1 Corinthians 14:1-19 (NT p.171)

### SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> AUGUST The Eighth Sunday After Trinity

- 8 am**      **BCP Holy Communion** with the Rev'd Andrew Parsons  
(Collect and Readings p.168)
- 10 am**      **Family Communion** with the Rev'd Andrew Parsons  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading:    Isaiah 1:1,10-20 (New Testament p.640)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:    Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16 (New Testament p.222)  
Gospel:          Luke 12:32-40 (New Testament p.72)  
Voluntary:      *Festival March* - Alec Rowley
- 6 pm**      **BCP Evensong**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading:    Isaiah 11:10 - 12:6 (Old Testament p.651)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:    2 Corinthians 1:1-22 (New Testament p.175)  
Voluntary:      *Prelude in C (BWV 553)* - J S Bach

## **SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> AUGUST**

### **The Ninth Sunday After Trinity**

- 8 am**      **BCP Holy Communion** (Collect and Readings p.170)
- 10 am**      **Family Communion commemorating VJ Day**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading:    Isaiah 2:1-5 (Old Testament p.641)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:    Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2 (NT p.223)  
Gospel:          John 15:9-17 (New Testament p.106)
- 12 noon**    **Christening of Alexander Webb**
- 6 pm**      **BCP Evensong**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading:    Isaiah 28:9-22 (Old Testament p.665)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:    2 Corinthians 8:1-9 (New Testament p.179)

## **SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> AUGUST**

### **St Bartholomew the Apostle - The Tenth Sunday After Trinity**

- 8 am**      **BCP Holy Communion** (Collect and Readings p.224)
- 10 am**      **Family Communion**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading:    Isaiah 43:8-13 (Old Testament p.682)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:    1 Corinthians 4:9-15 (New Testament p.164)  
Gospel:          Luke 22:24-30 (New Testament p.83)
- 6 pm**      **BCP Evensong**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading:    Ecclesiasticus 39:1-10 (Apocrypha p.107)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:    Matthew 10:1-22 (New Testament p.9)

## **SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> AUGUST**

### **The Eleventh Sunday After Trinity**

- 8 am**      **BCP Holy Communion with the Rev'd Maggie Diffey**  
(Collect and Readings p.173)
- 10 am**      **Christening of Maeve McQuade with all-age Communion**  
Reading:          Hebrews 13:1-8,15,16 (NT p.224)  
Voluntary:      *Postlude* - Noel Rawsthorne
- 3 pm**      **Wedding of Miao Lin and Robert Finch**
- 6 pm**      **BCP Evensong**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading:    Isaiah 33:13-22 (Old Testament p.671)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:    John 3:22-36 (New Testament p.90)

**Our grateful thanks to our guest organists this month:**

**Elinor Hanton, David Uden and Mathew Martin**

**and to the Rev'd Andrew Parsons and the Rev'd Maggie Diffey  
for taking services on 10<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> August respectively**

## SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

### The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00 am BCP Holy Communion with the Rev'd Andrew Parsons  
(Collect and Readings p.175)
- 10.00 am Family Communion with the Rev'd Andrew Parsons  
(Jeremiah 18:1-11; Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33)
- 6.00 pm *Come and Sing* Choral Evensong  
(Isaiah 43:14-44:5; John 5:30-end)  
Choir Rehearsal at 4pm  
Bring and Share tea for choir and congregation at 5pm

**Notices for the September Notice Sheet**  
should be with Catherine Richmond (250844,  
notices@christchurch-eaton.org.uk) by 10am on  
**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September. Thank you**

Donate to  
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## EVENTS

Events are at Christ Church unless otherwise stated

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August *Foodbank Collection***

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August**

2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*. All Welcome

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August**

9.45am-12noon Summer Workshop for Children Aged 5-11, St Andrew's  
Church Hall, NR4 6NW.

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> August**

10.30 am Funeral of Mervyn West at Earlham Crematorium

12 noon Deadline for September Parishes Magazine. Please send contributions  
via email to magazine@eatonchurches.org.uk or leave in the Parishes'  
Office

2.30 pm Meeting of Old Eatonians at St Andrew's Church Hall. *Afternoon Tea  
Plus. Ann Copsey (259257)*

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*. All Welcome

2.00 pm Funeral of the late Canon Ivan Bailey at St Andrew's, Eaton

2.30 pm Holy Communion at Chiswick House. All welcome

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August**

11.00 am Funeral of the late Madge Atkins at Colney Wood

2.00 pm Talk@2. All Welcome. See notices for information

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August**

1.00 pm Wedding of Megan Bateman and Joseph Girling

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August**

2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*. All Welcome

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August      *Bank Holiday      Parishes Office closed***

2.00 pm **NO** *Chat over a Cuppa*

2.30 pm Holy Communion at The Hawthorns, Unthank Road. All welcome

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August**

10.30 am Burial of Ashes of Beryl Watkins

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September**

2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*. All Welcome

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

12 noon Deadline for October Parishes Magazine. Please send contributions via email to [magazine@eatonchurches.org.uk](mailto:magazine@eatonchurches.org.uk) or leave in the Parishes' Office

2.30 pm Meeting of Old Eatonians at St Andrew's Church Hall. *Silver Darlings and Fisher Girls* - Charles Lewis. *Ann Copsey (259257)*

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September      *Foodbank Collection*****Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September**

2.00 pm *Chat over a Cuppa*. All Welcome

2.00 pm Mission Focus meeting at St Andrew's. All welcome

2.30 pm Holy Communion at Chiswick House. All welcome

7.30 pm PCC meeting

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

10.00 am Choir rehearsal

**NEWS AND NOTICES*****Chat over a Cuppa***

There will be **NO** *Chat over a Cuppa* on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August, Bank Holiday Monday.

**Harvest Festival and Supper**

This year we will be celebrating Harvest on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October. A ticketed harvest supper is planned for the evening of Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October in church.

**Summer Activities at Norwich Cathedral**

Norwich Cathedral are running a series of family activities on Tuesdays throughout the summer holidays. More information at: [cathedral.org.uk/events/together-tuesdays-follow-the-fox/](http://cathedral.org.uk/events/together-tuesdays-follow-the-fox/)

**Annual Sponsored 'Bike Ride' - Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

Ruth Vaughan will be taking part in this year's Norfolk Churches Trust Bike Ride, Walk and Drive, and would appreciate sponsorship! Participants visit as many churches as possible by bike, on foot or by car, whilst raising funds that are split 50/50 with their church and the Trust. If you would like to take part, speak to Matt Wright or visit [norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/bike-ride-walk/](http://norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/bike-ride-walk/)

## Talk@2

2pm, Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August at Christ Church. *A Plague On All Your Houses* by Alistair Bolt: When we were hit with Covid-19 almost the whole of Europe was quarantined. My talk is about the history and effects of the various plagues that have happened, mostly in Britain, but also in Europe and other parts of the world. Starting with the 14<sup>th</sup> Century Black Death, then finishing with Covid. And then what's next... Followed by discussion and refreshments.

At the Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September Talk@2, Bridget and David Archer will share the agony and the ecstasy of their first Pilgrimage Walk from St Pauls London to St Albans in Hertfordshire. *Bridget Archer & Julie Bolt*

## Norwich Foodbank ([norwich.foodbank.org.uk](http://norwich.foodbank.org.uk))

Thank you to all who donate to our monthly collections. The most needed items are currently: long life juice, rice pudding, custard, tinned meat, jam/peanut butter, wrapped chocolate biscuits (e.g. Penguins), shampoo. If you would like to give a financial donation, please visit [bankuet.co.uk/norwich](http://bankuet.co.uk/norwich)  
Our thanks to Anna MacDougall for organising our collections

## Eaton Choral Society

The next choral society concert will be Haydn's *Nelson Mass* on November 23<sup>rd</sup> in St Andrew's Church. Rehearsals start on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 7.15pm in St Andrew's Church. Scores can be borrowed. New members are welcome - no need to audition! More information: [choralsocietyeaton@gmail.com](mailto:choralsocietyeaton@gmail.com)

## Charity of the Month: *The Leprosy Mission* ([leprosymission.org.uk](http://leprosymission.org.uk))

A global Christian organisation leading the fight against leprosy. It seeks to bring about transformation; empowering people to attain healing, dignity and life in all its fullness. Their goals are zero leprosy transmission, zero leprosy disability and zero leprosy discrimination reached through diagnosis and treatment, caring for disabled people, fighting stigma and advocating change and pioneering research.

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## AUGUST PRAYER SUGGESTIONS

**Morning Prayer is usually said on Zoom at 9am, Mondays-Fridays**

### **Prayer for Growth**

God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*([leadingyourchurchintogrowth.org.uk](http://leadingyourchurchintogrowth.org.uk))*

### **Diocesan Vision Prayer**

Christ of transformation, sow deep into the soil of our hearts and parishes, your seeds of prayerful listening, conversation and discernment: then nurture their growth, we pray, with the gentle rains of your Spirit that they may flower and fruit into new ways of revealing the abundant life you offer and long for us to share. Amen.

### **The Sick and Suffering**

We pray for those who are suffering in mind, body or spirit. We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, including Amelia, Bobs, Carrie, Claire, Phil Cooke, Anna Dunlop, Evangeline Fischer-Harrison, Penny Furze, Trish Hill, Chris Hobbs, Vivien Humber, Paul James, Jessica, John Ladd, Caroline Richmond, Dick and Val Rout, Jonathan Spelman, Ruth and Stephen Thorp, Ruth Thorp's mum, Joan and Garry Wheatley, Charlotte and Angus.

### **The Departed**

We remember and give thanks for all who have gone before us. We pray particularly for the families and friends of Madge Atkins, Ivan Bailey and Mervyn West. Help us comfort those who mourn.

## SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> AUGUST

### **Collect**

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### ***This week please also pray for:***

- All who worship and volunteer at Christ Church
- The Children's Summer Workshop on Tuesday
- *Chat over a Cuppa*
- Those who live and work in College Road, Colman Road, Daniels Road and Dover Street
- Our Safeguarding officer, Caroline Gibbs
- All suffering the effects of Climate Change
- The work of the Foodbank
- Our government, our local MPs, MEPs and councillors
- Peace in the world, praying especially for Ukraine, the Middle East and Sudan

## SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

### Collect

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### ***This week please also pray for:***

- Help in inviting and welcoming others to Christ Church and in making them feel part of the community
- Megan and Joseph as they are married this week
- Patrick, our vicar, and his family
- The Men's Group
- Those who live and work in Eaton Road, Fairfield Road, Fairmile Close and Grange Road
- Those expecting A-level results
- Our local residential and care homes
- That governments and nations will work together to combat climate change and to reach the goals already agreed, and that there will be breakthroughs
- The work of Leprosy Mission, our charity of the month

## SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

### Collect

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **A prayer for the 80th anniversary of VJ Day**

God of the nations, our refuge and our dwelling place, we remember with thanksgiving those whose service achieved Allied victory in the Pacific, and hold before you all those who suffered from the devastation and trauma of war. May their memory inspire us to learn from the atrocities of the past and to pursue peace, justice and reconciliation in our own generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. ([churchofengland.org](http://churchofengland.org))

### ***This week please also pray for:***

- Alexander Webb, his family and friends as he is christened
- *The Chosen* Groups and the Friday Bible Study Group
- Our church wardens, PCC and committees and all who lead and support our services
- The Rev'd Sam Lees as he is installed as Vicar of Earlham this week
- Those who live and work in Henley Road, Highland Avenue, Highland Road and Horner Close
- Our local schools, colleges and universities; those expecting GCSE results
- Businesses: that they'll play their part in preserving the planet
- Countries facing unrest, and refugees and migrants from them

## SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

### Collects

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your word: grant that your Church may love that word which he believed and may faithfully preach and receive 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.

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### ***This week please also pray for:***

- Those facing persecution for their faith
- Our Mission Partners, Dick and Caroline Seed in South Africa
- All who work in and use the Parishes Office and Kinchen Hall
- Research: to find ways to reduce greenhouse gases
- The appointment committee for the next Archbishop of Canterbury
- Those who work in the local tourism industry and in farming
- The Talks@2
- Matt Wright, our guest organists, and the choir
- Those who live and work in Girton Road, Glebe Road and Ipswich Road

## SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> AUGUST

### Collect

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

### ***This week please also pray for:***

- Maeve, her family and friends as she is christened
- Our Sunday School and Youth Group: for the children, the leaders and helpers
- Miao and Robert as they are married
- The work of the Mothers' Union, especially the Eaton branch
- Those who live and work in Judges Walk, Jessopp Road and Kingston Square
- That we may find ways to reduce our carbon footprint
- Our local dentists, surgeries and hospitals; for all who are housebound or in hospital
- The Diocese of Norwich, Bishop Graham, Bishop Jane and Bishop Ian
- Our Mission Partner, Mirna Paulo, in Argentina, and the Mission Focus group