

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2025**  
**Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion  
10.00 a.m. Café-style Altogether Worship  
4.00 p.m. Board Games, jigsaws and cakes at Dray Court

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**Collect for Today**

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. **Amen**

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**Service Readings**

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23 (*p.626*), Colossians 3:1-11 (*p.198*) and Luke 12:13-21 (*p.71*)

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**Please pray for**

... Andrea Fairbairn, Sylvia Holdsworth, Mark Knott, Becki & Jonathan Salmon and Timothy Rayner (Julie Shaw's brother).

... the family and friends of Ethel Long and Joy Hunter whose anniversary of death is at this time.

... those who live and work in Hedgeway, Henley Bank, High View Road and Hollow Close.

... the Koens family in Papua New Guinea supporting the work of Bible translation through vehicle maintenance, teaching, missionary care.

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**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. **Amen.**

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**Financial Giving**

We take a collection during our services. If you don't give regularly by standing order or the envelope scheme, please put your donation in the bag, tap the card reader on your way out, or use the QR code on the back of this news-sheet. Thank you.

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## Dear Friends

Our Gospel reading for today contains one of Jesus' parables – the Parable of the Rich Fool (Luke 12:13-21). Jesus creates a highly visual image of a rich man whose land produces a good crop. In fact, the crop was so great that this person had nowhere to store all the produce. So, he decides to build bigger and bigger barns, to store all his grain and his crops. In fact, he has so much confidence in himself that he tears down his small barns, and builds bigger ones to replace them. And in his complacency, he says to himself, 'Eat, drink and be merry' – because he has so much stored up for the years ahead.

But then God speaks! 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'. It's a moment of reckoning which strips this man of his pride, and everything he has. And Jesus concludes, 'This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich towards God' (12:21).

Today in our services we'll be thinking about what it means to be 'rich towards God'; what it means to be rich in faith. Let's listen carefully to what the Lord is saying to each and every one of us.

**Beverly**

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## Mission Focus for August: North Guildford Food Bank

The North Guildford Food Bank (NGFB) provides temporary help for individuals and families living in the Guildford area by supplying food parcels and signposting people to other helpful local services. Last year NGFB fed nearly 3500 adults and 2500 children – an increase of about 1500 adults and children on the previous year and nearly triple pre-pandemic levels. There will be a collection box in church in October for Harvest and also throughout November to contribute towards Christmas parcels. For more information please see the Mission Focus article in August's church magazine and their website: [northguildfordfoodbank.co.uk](http://northguildfordfoodbank.co.uk)

## Notices

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**Children's Church over the summer:** Over the summer holidays, the services will be accessible for children and there will be activities at the back of church for children to do so that they can enjoy being in the service.

**Church Hall 'Freshen-Up':** Huge thanks to everyone who helped us with the hall decorating and other jobs in and around the church and hall. Without you, these things just wouldn't get done.

**Board Games, jigsaws and cakes at Dray Court, TODAY at 4pm:** Games and jigsaws will be provided, but do bring your own too! We'll enjoy homemade cakes and tea/coffee. All welcome - Dray Court residents, All Saints' members, family and friends.

**Recycling:** If you used the 'Air, Home & Laundry' recycling bin in the foyer, I'm afraid it has now been closed as Terracycle have stopped recycling these items. I think this is good news in some way as it's likely that larger supermarkets will take this waste. Thanks, Trish.

**Big Build Grant Funding:** Good news! We have been awarded a grant of £10,000 by Marshall's Charity towards the Big Build. Thanks to Beverly and the team for securing this grant. We have more applications in, so please pray that the grant givers will understand our mission and support the project.

### **Special and NEW Events coming up:**

- **Beverly's 10 Year Anniversary Celebration:** Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September. After our Café-style Altogether Worship service, we'll celebrate with prosecco and cake. From midday, we'll enjoy a picnic lunch together on the field. We'll be inviting some 'old friends' back for the occasion!

*There is now a sign-up sheet in the foyer, please add your name if you're able to come.*

- **Autumn Fair** Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2-5pm. Speak to Jo Smalley (joannapearce@live.co.uk) if you have any ideas for the fair, if you'd like to join the team or can offer help in any way.

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## Diary for the Coming Week

**Morning prayer Mon, Tues and Weds 9.15am in the Reading Room and on Zoom. Thurs Holy Communion at 9.30am in the Reading Room.**

Weds 6<sup>th</sup> Men's Coffee, Reading Room, 10.30am  
Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion, Reading Room, 9.30am.  
"Exploring the Way", 24 Bannisters Road, 7.30pm  
Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Church Family Communion, 10.00am  
Tea Time Church, Reading Room, 4.00pm

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## Daily Readings for the coming week

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Ps. 1, Ezekiel 14:12-end, 2 Corinthians 11:1-15  
Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Ps. 5, Ezekiel 18:1-20, 2 Corinthians 11:16-end  
Weds 6<sup>th</sup> Ps. 27, 1 Kings 19:1-16, 1 John 3:1-3  
Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Ps. 15, Ezekiel 20:1-20, 2 Corinthians 13  
Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Ps. 19, Ezekiel 20:21-38, James 1:1-11  
Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Ps. 23, Ezekiel 24:15-end, James 1:12-end

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## Service Readings for Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August: Trinity 8

Genesis 15:1-6, Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 and Luke 12:32-40

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