



24th August 2025
Bartholomew, Apostle

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Notices

New Group

On Monday 1st September, 2.30 pm – 4.00 pm, please come along to watch the series 'The Chosen', beginning with the first episode. For more information, please speak to Joan Ridgway.

Helpers Needed

Contact magazine will be ready on 14th September. Please get in touch with Tim Bayton if you can help with distribution.

Save the Date

The harvest supper will be on Saturday 20th September. More details to come.

10.00 am Music

Processional hymn	36	Angel-Voices Ever Singing
Offertory hymn	282	How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds
Recessional hymn	743	Ye Holy Angels Bright

Collect

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.

First Reading: Acts 5: 12-16

Now many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared to join them, but the people held them in high esteem. Yet more than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on cots and mats, in order that Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he came by. A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

This Week

Morning Prayer is said at 8.30 am

Online: Wed

In the church: Tue, Thu, Fri

Mon 25th August Matthew 23: 13 – 22
Bank holiday (no Morning Prayer)

Tue 26th August Matthew 23: 23 – 26
4.00 pm Ministers meeting

Wed 27th August Matthew 23: 27 – 32
12.00 noon Eucharist

Thu 28th August Matthew 24: 42 – 51

Fri 29th August Matthew 25: 1 – 13
10.30 am Coffee morning

Sat 30th August Matthew 25: 14 – 30

Next Sunday: 31st August

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Luke 14: 1 & 7 – 14

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

Sharing God's love through worship, fellowship and service

Psalm 145: 1-7

I will exalt you, O God my King, and bless your name for ever and ever. Every day will I bless you and praise your name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; his greatness is beyond all searching out. One generation shall praise your works to another and declare your mighty acts. They shall speak of the majesty of your glory, and I will tell of all your wonderful deeds. They shall speak of the might of your marvellous acts, and I will also tell of your greatness. They shall pour forth the story of your abundant kindness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 4: 9-15

For I think that God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, as though sentenced to death, because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to mortals. We are fools for the sake of Christ, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honour, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we are hungry and thirsty, we are poorly clothed and beaten and homeless, and we grow weary from the work of our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we speak kindly. We have become like the rubbish of the world, the dregs of all things, to this very day. I am not writing this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you might have ten thousand guardians in Christ, you do not have many fathers. Indeed, in Christ Jesus I became your father through the gospel.

Gospel Reading: Luke 22: 24-30

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.'

Post-Communion Prayer

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

