

Chesterfield Parish Church Saint Mary & All Saints

Being Ready

Jesus teaches that we should be prepared for the coming of God's Kingdom, for there will be no warning when the time comes.



We are forcefully reminded that while our faith relies on God to bring about its results, our job is to get on with building the foundations. Our works of love and charity; our witness to the values of the Kingdom; our prayer and our worship; our acts of service—these are the building blocks of the Kingdom, and Jesus will expect to find them in place when he comes again.

That much is perfectly clear throughout the Gospels: Jesus will EXPECT to find us active in the work of the Kingdom—not waiting for something to happen, or hoping that someone else will do something about it.

TRINITY VIII (10th August 2025)

- 08.30 Holy Communion (1662)
- 09.30 Morning Prayer (St Leonard's)
- 10.30 Sung Mass
- 18.30 Sung Compline

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

MONDAY-SATURDAY

MORNING PRAYER 09.00

EVENING PRAYER 16.00 (Thursday 17.00)

MONDAY Mass 12.15
Funeral of Rachel Leech 13.30

TUESDAY Mass 09.30

WEDNESDAY Holy Communion (1662) 09.30

THURSDAY Mass 17.30

FRIDAY Funeral of Betty Wall 11.00
Mass 12.15

SATURDAY Mass 09.30

NEXT SUNDAY See back page

The church is open for private prayer and visiting Monday-Saturday 09.00 - 16.00

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Thursday 14th August

Lunchtime Concert 12.15

Friday 15th August

Tower Tour 14.30

Saturday 16th August

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Full details of events may be found at crookedspire.org, on the notices displayed in church, or from the organisers.

Tickets for Tower Tours are available from the church Gift Shop in the week prior to the tour taking place.

Please respect those who wish to prepare for Mass in quiet prayer; also those who wish to listen to the closing Organ Voluntary.

TRINITY VIII

SUNG MASS

Processional Hymn: 73

Setting: Festal Eucharist (Noël Rawsthorne)

Collect Prayer

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah Isaiah 1.1, 10-20

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt-offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats.

When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation - I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow.

Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken .

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn: 385

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord

Luke 12.32-40

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

Offertory Hymn: 458

Post-Communion Hymn: 261

Voluntary: *Sortie* (John Marsh)

SUNG COMPLINE

Separate Order of Service

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 10th August - Trinity VII

- That the summer holidays might be a time for rest and renewal

◇ The Anglican Church of Rwanda

✦ *Anne Duncan*

Monday 11th August - Clare of Assisi;

John Henry Newman

- Parish of Holy Trinity & Christ Church, Chesterfield

◇ Norwich - The Church of England

✦ *Phyllis Hanson*

Tuesday 12th August

- Benefice of Old Brampton with Great Barlow and Loundsley Green LEP

◇ Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island -

The Anglican Church of Canada

✦ *Mabel Key; Margaret Cooper*

Wednesday 13th August - Jeremy Taylor;

Florence Nightingale; Octavia Hill

- Parishes of Brampton St Thomas and St Mark

◇ Nsukka - The Church of Nigeria

Thursday 14th August - Maximilian Kolbe

- Parish of Chesterfield, St Mary & All Saints, and St Leonard's Spital

◇ Nyahururu - The Anglican Church of Kenya

✦ *Clare Sangwell; George Meshee*

Friday 15th August - The Blessed Virgin Mary

- Dronfield Team Ministry including St Andrew's LEP

◇ Nyamlel - The Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Saturday 16th August

- Parishes of St Paul's Hasland and St James the Apostle Temple Normanton

◇ Nyang - The Episcopal Church of South Sudan

✦ *Jack Woodger*

- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

◇ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer

✦ Year's Mind

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Our prayers have been asked for:

John Robinson; Jean Madin; Colin Hutson; Jean Morris; Wendy Layton; Ambrose Mason; Paul Bates; Tony Ragan; Sue Hastings; Barbara Carter; Joseph Watson; Imelda Davies; Ralph Turner; John Nickols; Terry; Les & Lynn Metcalfe; Jackie Turner; Shirley Francis; Olivia, Sebastian & baby Ophelia; Cathy; June Robinson; Joe Martin; Rosemary Cain; Joan Melbourne; Trevor Crane; Dorothy; Margaret Seddon; Greta; Joshua Wilson; Anthony Duce; Lisa

✦ *Rachel Leech, RIP*

✦ *Betty Wall, RIP*

✦ *David Pedrick, RIP*

Lunchtime Recitals

The next lunchtime recital is on Thursday 14th August at 12.15pm with Roger Firman at the organ. Entry is free, with a retiring collection for the music fund.

Well Dressing 2025

Construction of this year's Well Dressing starts on Monday 18th August, with the Blessing taking place on Saturday the 23rd. This year's theme is 'The 1700th Anniversary of the First Nicene Council'.

The German Organ Mass

Peter Shepherd and the Church Choir present Bach's complete Clavierübung III with chorales on Saturday 4th October, 6 - 8.30pm. Entry is free with a retiring collection for the music fund.

Christmas Tree Festival 2025

This year's Festival runs from Saturday 15th November until Sunday 30th November. The rota for volunteer stewards is now available at the back of church. Please sign up!

Next Sunday - 17th August - Trinity IX

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Readings: Isaiah 5.1-7

Luke 12.49-56

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