

**Chesterfield Parish Church
Saint Mary & All Saints**

Faith and Perseverance

There are those who seem to think that they already have the fullness of faith.

We all continue to grow in faith, learning more day by day about the Lord we love.

When Jesus asks whether the Son of Man will find faith on earth, he is offering a warning that we need to keep growing in faith.

I suspect those who think they've got there are those who least understand what faith really is.



Trinity XVIII (19th October 2025)

08.30 Holy Communion (1662)
10.30 Choral Mass
18.30 Choral Evensong

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

MONDAY-SATURDAY

MORNING PRAYER 09.00

EVENING PRAYER 16.00 (Thursday 17.00)

MONDAY Mass 12.15

TUESDAY Mass 09.30

WEDNESDAY Holy Communion (1662) 09.30

THURSDAY Mass 17.30

FRIDAY 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 23rd October

Lunchtime Concert 12.15

Friday 24th October

Tower Tour 14.30

Saturday 25th October

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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 from the Monday of the week when the tour takes 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 XVIII

CHORAL MASS

Processional Hymn: 593

Setting: Prince of Peace Mass (William Lloyd Webber)

Collect Prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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**

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah 31.27-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say: 'The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge.' But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt - a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

Gradual Hymn: 461 (*t.i*)

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord

Luke 18.1-8

Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." ' And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

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

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

Offertory Hymn: 581

Communion Motet: Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets
of our hearts (Henry Purcell)

Post-Communion Hymn: 495

Voluntary: *Moderato* from *Tre Tonestykker*
op.22 no.1 (Niels Gade)

CHORAL EVENSONG

Responses: Sanders

Psalms(s): 146 & 149

First Lesson: Nehemiah 8.9-end

Office Hymn: 483

Canticles: Carolus Andreas *Fauxbourdons*

Second Lesson: John 16.1-11

Anthem: Rejoice in the Lord always (Henry Purcell)

Hymn: 558

Voluntary: Trumpet Tune in C (Henry Purcell)

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 19th October - Trinity XVIII

- Giving thanks for the gift of faith, we pray for those who do not know Jesus in their lives
- ◇ The Episcopal Church
- ✦ *Frederick Buffett, priest; Marjorie Cutting*

Monday 20th October

- Parish of St Peter, Chellaston
- ◇ Perth - The Anglican Church of Australia
- ✦ *Henry King; Harry Bargh; Barbara Benton;*
Vera James

Tuesday 21st October

- Parish of St Alkmund and St Werburgh, Derby
- ◇ Peru - The Anglican Church of South America
- ✦ *Ronald Musson*

Wednesday 22nd October

- Parish of St Anne, Derby
- ◇ Peshawar - The Church of Pakistan (United)
- ✦ *Curtis Fowler; Nellie Hatton; Greg Lilleker*

Thursday 23rd October

- Parish of St Barnabas, Derby
- ◇ Peterborough - The Church of England

Friday 24th October

- Parish of St Bartholomew and St Luke, Derby
- ◇ Central Philippines - The Episcopal Church
in the Philippines
- ✦ *Doris Mellor*

Saturday 25th October - Crispin and Crispinian

- Parish of St John the Evangelist, Derby
- ◇ North Central Philippines - The Episcopal Church
in the Philippines
- ✦ *Mary Duce; David Leech*
- 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; Joan Melbourne; Trevor Crane; Dorothy; Margaret Seddon; Greta; Joshua Wilson; Anthony Duce; Lisa; Nina Woolhouse; Ian Mackenzie; Linda Weston
✦ *Andrew Neale, RIP*

To ensure that the information is up-to-date, the current Prayer List will be cleared at the end of October. If you have a name to be included on the new updated list, please hand in to the Gift Shop, or email: vicar@crookedspire.org

Lunchtime Recitals

The next recital is on Thursday 23rd October at 12.15pm with Nigel Gotteri Gatkowski at the organ. Free entry, with a retiring collection.

A Musical Tour de France

Music by Fauré, Poulenc and Duruflé with The Chesterfield Philharmonic Choir, 3pm, Saturday 1st November. Tickets available from the Gift Shop or from the organisers.

Solemn Requiem for All Souls

This will take place at 6.30pm on Sunday 2nd November. For preference, please email the names of those you wish to be remembered direct to vicar@crookedspire.org. Otherwise, clearly-written notes can be handed in to the Gift Shop.

Christmas Tree Festival - 15th-30th November

There are still spaces on the volunteer stewards rota at the back of church. Please sign up!

Next Sunday - 26th October - Last After Trinity

- 08.30 Holy Communion (1662)
- 09.30 Morning Prayer (St Leonard's, Spital)
- 10.30 Choral Mass
Readings: Joel 2.23-end
Luke 18.9-14
- 18.30 Sung Evensong
Readings: Psalm(s) 119.1-16
Ecclesiastes 11 & 12
2 Timothy 2.1-7

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