

# PEW NEWS

Sundays 5th and Sunday 12th October 2025 Trinity 16 and 17

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## Collect

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness, and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being: 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.

### **Post Communion**

Lord of the Harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Sunday 12th October

## Collect

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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.

Gracious God, vou call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Post Communion**

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.





## **Hymns**

## **Sunday 5th October**

We Plough the Fields and Scatter - 801 One More Step - 595 All Things Bright and Beautiful - 26 Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart (x3) - 219 Give Me Joy in My Heart - 215

## **Sunday 12th October**

Lord I Lift your Name on High - 461 As the Deer Pants - 43 Father I Place into your Hands - 170 How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds - 321 My Jesus, My Saviour - 519

## Readings



Philippians 4: 4-9 - Page 1115 John 6: 25-35 - Page - Page 1011

## **Sunday 12th October**

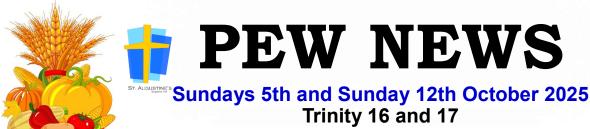
2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15c - Page 356 2 Timothy 2: 8-15 - Page 1130 Luke 17: 11-19 - Page 992

## Prayer for the Week

Loving God, we thank you for the earth, your creation, and the beauty of the seasons. We are grateful for crops, and for the sunshine and rain that help them grow and we are grateful for hands that bring food to our tables.

We pray for all those who work hard to feed us and for all those who go hungry. Help us to remember your generous love and to share your blessings fairly with all people, especially those in need.

In Jesus' name, we pray, Amen.





We have a Sunday morning Holy Communion service at 10.00 am each week

## This Week's Diary

#### **Sunday 5th October**

6.00 pm Prayer Space

#### **Monday 6th October**

3.00 pm Funday Monday

#### **Tuesday 7th October**

8.45 am Drop Off and Drop In10 am Anchor Coffee Shop4.00 pm Eco Team Meeting

#### Wednesday 8th October

6.30 pm Community Choir

## Thursday 9th October

10.30 am Holy Communion

#### Friday 10th October

7.30 pm Youth Group

#### **Sunday 12th October**

6.00 pm Gateway

#### **Tuesday 14th October**

8.45 am Drop Off and Drop In10 am Anchor Coffee Shop11 am Wardens' Meeting

#### Wednesday 15th October

6.30 pm Community Choir

#### Thursday 16th October

10.30 am Holy Communion 2.00 pm Tapestry Talk

## New to St Augustine's

All are Welcome in this Place

Please do join us after the service for tea/coffee and biscuits.

#### Viewing Online

If you are viewing online and joining us from home you are especially welcome. If there is anything at all that you need or that we can do to help, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

#### **Church Contacts**

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## **Church News**

**Youth Group** - our new Youth Group are meeting on Friday 10th October at 7.30 pm where there will be lots of games, tech, crafts, fun and food! If you know of anyone who would like to come along, please feel free to pass/forward to them the flyer that is attached to the accompanying email. We would love to see as many young people as possible so spread the word!

**Church Vision and Mission Meeting** - the church congregation is invited to an **afternoon cream tea** in the annexe on Saturday 25th October at 2.30 pm. During the afternoon, we will be discussing our church vision and mission and we would really appreciate it if you could join us for this important meeting. There is a sign up sheet in the annexe if you are planning to come along.

**St Augustine's CE Primary School** - is a high achieving, inclusive and loving school who are now offering tours for prospective parents of those children starting school in September 2026. We also have a few spaces across the school for in-year transfers. Please contact the school on <a href="mailto:office@st-augustines.school">office@st-augustines.school</a> or call 01444 831371. Please also see the flyer that accompanies the email that comes with the pew news.

**Harvest Deliveries** - as part of our community outreach, and in particular seeking to embody within our community some of the cornerstones of joy, we are finding ways to express gratitude and as a community we want to express our thanks to those in our neighbourhood who "plough the fields and scatter" for all that they do to get food from the fields and barns to our homes and plates. As an act of thanks, we would like to give them a delicious cake or treat. We have in the region of 10 farms in the parish and we would be very grateful to anyone in our church community who could offer to bake. It doesn't necessarily have to be a cake, anything tasty that will brighten someone's day and make them feel loved and appreciated by us. If you can help, please sign up on the sheet in the Annex. We are looking to deliver the cakes on Sunday 12th October.

Harvest Appeal - this year's Diocesan Harvest appeal is for Friends of the Holy Land. Bishop Ruth says: "The reason for this charitable focus will be plain to all of us who have been following the news since the October 7th Hamas attacks on Israel and the subsequent war in Gaza and beyond.... We are united in great concern and prayer for the region and the humanitarian needs of all. Friends of the Holy Land is a UK-based, non-political, ecumenical Christian charity with a deep commitment to sustaining a hopeful future for Palestinian Christians. Rooted in the mission of supporting the Christian presence in the land of Christ's birth, the charity also works with compassion across religious lines, providing humanitarian help to people of all faiths." Therefore, on Harvest Sunday, our collection either via the plate or on the card machine will be donated to this Diocesan appeal.

**First Aiders & Gardeners Required** - after many of faithful service Norma and Stuart are hanging up their trowels—we are extremely grateful to them for all their hard work and dedication to keep our gardens looking so beautiful. Therefore, we are looking for volunteers to care for the church gardens and we are also looking for people to train as First Aiders. If you are interested in either of these roles please speak to Kevin or Sheila.

**Prayer Time** - if you would like to join us in praying for the mission and work of St Augustine's, we will be meeting on the third Sunday of the month once we have had coffee in the church chancel. We really hope that you are able to join us as we pray for our work going forward. Our next meeting will be Sunday 19th October.

**Church Cleaning** – we are planning a deep clean of the church on Saturday 8th November which will take place in two shifts - 9 am to 1 pm and 1 pm to 4 pm. You wouldn't need to come to a whole shift but we would be very grateful for whatever time you are able to offer. There is a sign up sheet in the annexe and if you can help please could you sign the sheet. Thank you so much for your help - it is very much appreciated.