



This † Week

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August 3rd 2014 – The Seventh Sunday After Trinity

A very warm welcome to everyone joining in worship here today.

Large print versions of the Order of Service are available at the back of church

A loop system is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users. Please switch it to 'T'. Please switch off mobile phones.

Parents with young children: don't worry if your child makes a noise during the service – we don't mind! If it helps, there are some books, toys and 'busy bags' suitable for young children at the back of church.

3 rd August The Seventh Sunday After Trinity	8:00am	Holy Communion. Readings (p167) Romans 6:19-end; Mark 8:1-9 (MV)
	10:30am	Family Communion. (Lord's Prayer: Hymn N ^o 264) Prayers AF Communion Hymns: 267 & 184
		Readings: Isaiah 55.1-5 (LHo); Romans 9.1-5, (DJ); Matthew 14.13-21 Followed by the <i>interment of Lesley Syddall's ashes</i>
	12 noon	Baptism of Isla Smith
	1:00pm	Baptism of Bobby McDonald
	2:15pm	Interment of Lily Tarr's ashes
6:30pm	Evensong Psalm 80:1-8 (pg 449) Prayers DH	
	Readings: Romans 6:19-end; Mark 8:1-9 (JJ)	
Monday	7:00pm	Commemoration of the start of World War 1 by the Roll of Honour
	10:15pm	WWI Vigil (at Trinity Baptist Church, Westminster Avenue, Radcliffe M26 3WD)
Tuesday	9:15am	Holy Communion
Wednesday	9:30am	Holy Communion at 2 Devon Drive, Ainsworth
	2:30pm	Church open for personal prayer
Thursday	10:20am	Funeral of Frank Vaughan at Peel Green Crematorium Chapel
	2:00pm	Funeral of Dorothy Ainsworth followed by committal at Radcliffe Crematorium
10th August The Eighth Sunday After Trinity	8:00am	Holy Communion. Readings (p168) Romans 8:12-17; Matthew 7:15-21 (BA)
	10:30am	Family Communion. (Lord's Prayer: Hymn N ^o 264) Prayers GW Communion Hymns: TBD
		Readings: 1 Kings 19: 9-18 (AB); Romans 10:5-15, (CH); Matthew 14:22-33
	12 noon	Baptism of Harriet Beau Headley
	1:00pm	Baptism of Lana & Tristan Clifford-Walsh
6:30pm	Evensong Psalm 86 (pg 455) Prayers VF Readings: Romans 8:12-17; Matthew 7:15-21 (TB)	

FOR OUR PRAYERS this week we pray for:

The Church: Our Bishops, (David, Chris and Mark), Archdeacon David, Area Dean Alison, our ministry team, our PCC, our Churchwardens (Jean and Andrew). The PCCs of the Radcliffe and Ainsworth parishes as we await feedback from the Diocesan Mission & Pastoral Committee regarding the possibility of establishing a four parish team in this area. That the Diocesan vocations strategy will bear fruit and some from within our fellowship will answer God's call to Ordained, ALM or Reader ministry.

Mission: We pray for those who have not yet encountered the love of God in Jesus Christ. As we implement our Mission Action Plan, we pray that we will continue to grow numerically, in faith and in discipleship. We pray that all of us might be good witnesses to the love of Christ in our day-to-day lives and that our footprint in the community might grow. We pray that our uniformed organisations, ABC, and Sunday School will continue to thrive and that Messy Church will grow. We ask for discernment as we explore additional possibilities for serving the young people of this parish.

Our finances: The money to pay our way, especially for future building work and, through the Parish Share, our obligation to the Diocese to cover the cost of ministry in this parish and to support the cost of mission within the Diocese.

Our families, friends, and our local community: Those facing financial or other difficulties. The children and staff of Christ Church School. Those who care for the frail and sick. Those living on Boundary Street.

Our nation & the world: The Queen, her Ministers, our MP (Ivan Lewis), our councillors (Sharon Briggs, Peter Bury & Jane Lewis). Those serving overseas in the armed forces. Those affected by war and conflict. The persecuted Church, especially Christians in Sudan, Pakistan, Kenya, Nigeria, Iraq and Syria. Canon Andrew White, Vicar of Baghdad.

Those in need: Those being cared for in local hospitals, hospices and nursing homes. For all who are ill, especially for: Louise Singleton, Noah Barnes, Graham Cowland, Trevor Cowland, Mary Brooks, Winnie Horrobin and Irene Ellison.

The bereaved: All who have lost loved ones, especially the family and friends of Lesley Syddall, Lily Tarr, Frank Vaughan and Dorothy Ainsworth. Trusting in God, may they find healing, peace, strength and courage to face the future.

PCC News:

The PCC had a busy meeting on 22nd July. We await feedback from the Diocese regarding the proposed Radcliffe and Ainsworth Team. Revd Dave presented a progress report on the Mission Action Plan and, linked with that, a paper on our approach to Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals. Messy Church is proving successful and is a source of growth. The PCC has had a long standing ambition to achieve the 'Child Friendly Church Award' and we are making good progress towards meeting the award criteria. However, there is still a way to go (including, possibly, the admission of Children to Communion before Confirmation) and it was agreed to invite the Diocese's Children's Officer to speak to a future meeting about the next steps. We agreed to a link with St John's Ulfu in Siaya, Kenya (Jennifer White has visited the Church). We are exploring the possibility of buying some pew cushions (funded from donations) for our 500th anniversary celebrations next year and Mari Wildin hopes to put together a working party to organise next year's flower festival. The cost of underpinning one of the walls is likely to cost less than first thought although, taken together with the cost of necessary pointing and electrical work, we will need to apply for grants and fundraise to pay for it.

NOTICES – 3rd August 2014

- **Iraq Emergency Appeal:** Open Doors (a charity which supports persecuted Christians) has responded rapidly as Christians flee intense persecution in Mosul from the militant Islamic group, ISIS. They need your support and prayers to continue to provide emergency relief for 2,000 of the families most in need. To support them, there will be a bucket collection following each of the services today. Otherwise, donate online using the following link <https://partners.opendoorsuk.org/sslpage.aspx?pid=497>
- **Commemoration of the start of World War 1:** Tomorrow (4th August) marks the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War and there are a number of events to commemorate this:
 - We shall be marking the occasion with a short commemoration service at 7pm on that evening, during which the names of those local people listed on the Roll of Honour, who gave their lives in the war, will be read out.
 - At 10:15pm we shall be joining the other Radcliffe churches for a vigil at Trinity Baptist Church (Westminster Avenue, Radcliffe) to coincide with the declaration of war (which was at 11pm). Please join us for one or both of these events.
 - "Lights out" is an invitation to everyone in the UK to turn off their lights from 10pm until 11pm on 4th August, leaving on a single light or candle for this shared moment of reflection.
 - The Ainsworth Village History Society meeting on 12th August will show some items from World War 1
- **Facebook:** we now have a parish Facebook page. Navigate to **Christ Church Ainsworth** and "Like" to receive updates.
- **Mothers' Union** will meet on Tuesday at 7.30 in the Church Hall when Jean Williamson will talk about what mothers did in the two world wars. All are welcome to join us on the night
- **Communion Hymns:** please join the choir in singing the communion hymns.
- **Housegroups** are a tried and tested way for those who wish to explore our Christian faith in a little more depth to come together for Bible study and prayer in a spirit of fellowship. It is planned to start a new group in September (led by Andrew Lowe). Interested? Then speak to Andrew or Revd Dave.
- **One in Christ:** The Bishops of Manchester and Beverley invite you to join them on Saturday 13th September at 5.30pm for a service of Sung Evensong followed by an informal reception at the Cathedral. This will be an opportunity for clergy and congregations from across the diocese to come together to celebrate our life in Christ and to commit ourselves to working together in all our diversity for the sake of the Gospel and for the furtherance of God's kingdom. All are welcome.
- **Greater Manchester Police Male Voice Choir:** Christ Church Ainsworth present an Evening with the choir on Thursday 4th September 2014 commencing at 7.30pm. Tickets are priced at £6.00 and can be obtained from Derek Bamber (0161-763-6921) or Sue Mellon (01204 371903). Proceeds to Christ Church Funds and Ainsworth Scout Jamboree Fund 2015.
- **Porch Boxes:** Revd Carol Hayden (of St Mary's Radcliffe and our former Curate) is running a half-marathon in September on behalf of Porch Boxes. She doesn't want money but sponsorship in the form of tins and jars of food. Carol can be contacted on c_hayden@sky.com or 0161 725 9065.

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Collects

Common Worship

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**

Book of Common Prayer

LORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver
of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy name,
increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness,
and of thy great mercy keep us in the same; through
Jesus Christ our Lord.. **Amen.**

If you pay tax, please Gift Aid your offering(s). This enables us to claim back the tax paid on offerings and in 2013 this boosted our funds by £7436. Envelopes for occasional givers are in the pews and forms for regular givers are in the porch. **The only details that need to be given,** are your **full** name, address and post code and an acknowledgement that you pay tax to the value of the amount to be claimed. Bank Standing Order forms are also available in the Church porch. Completed forms can be put on the collection plate with your offering.