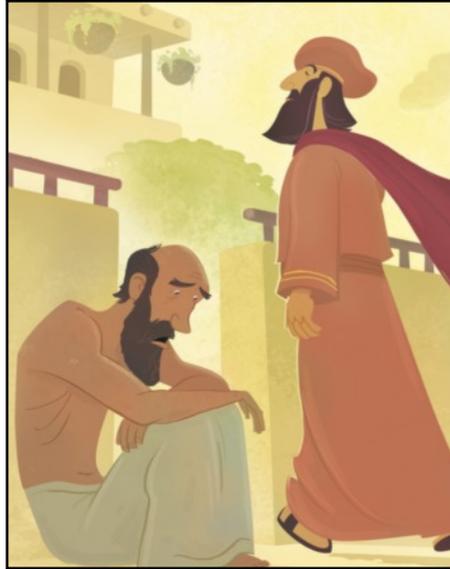


# St John's, Pevensey Road



Pews News & Service Sheet  
for Sunday 25th September 2022

**15th Sunday after Trinity**



## Welcome to today's Mass at St John's

### This week:

**Morning Prayer**, 9 a.m. Mon, Tues, Thurs, in Saint Peter's Chapel. Friday in Church.

**Church open weekdays**, where possible.

**Midweek Mass:** Wednesday at 10 a.m.

**Online "Zoom" service:** Wednesday at 10 a.m. Please contact the church administrator on admstjohns30@gmail.com, to put you in touch with the organizer for a "link" to join in

**Morning Coffee:** Friday 10 - 12 noon in Church



### **Our prayers are asked for:**

Geraldine, Amber, Don F, Sue T, Eve G, Alison N, David D, Denise H, Jean & Geoff, Anne C, Pat, Jon W, Ted G, and Jude.

### **Please pray also for...**

the repose of the souls of the recently departed,

...those whose Years Minds fall around this time, especially Rose & Jim Connor, Mike Heasman, and Samantha Loweth,

...and all who mourn.

### **Home groups restarting**

Please consider joining one of the small groups that are starting up - a Christian Basics group with Fr David, a story group and a book group. There are details to take away, at the back of church, if you are interested. Please ask Fr David, Mike C or Deacon Mike if you have any questions. **Please note that the Mike T group hosted by Jenny B will start on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>, 7 - 9 p.m. in St Leonards.**

### **Newcomers Lunch**

If you have started coming to St Johns since "Lockdown" you are warmly invited to the rectory for lunch on Sunday 9th October. It is an opportunity to meet others who have recently joined us as well as our PCC members. Invitations will be distributed in the next few weeks. Please speak to Fr David if you are able to come.

Join Archbishop Justin  
from Sunday 25th September  
for 7 days of prayer on  
**Lectio 365**

We cannot help but be aware of the need for peace. That's why, over the next few days, we are invited to pray for peace – in our relationships, communities and around the world. From Sunday 25th September join Archbishop Justin in daily devotions on the theme of

peace and reconciliation. For seven days, Archbishop Justin will be leading a devotional series on the 24-7 Prayer app, Lectio 365. Download the free app to engage with Bible passages and discover how God might be calling you as a peacemaker where you are. It's available both for Android and iPhone.

Do you have an item, prayer list update, or info for the Pews News? Please send to pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com by 9 p.m. on Thursdays

*Introit: Thou knowest, Lord (Purcell)*

## Opening Hymn

Christ is made the sure foundation,  
And the precious corner stone,  
Who, the two walls underlying,  
Bound in each, binds both in one,  
Holy Sion's help for ever,  
and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city  
Dearly loved by God on high,  
In exultant jubilation  
Pours perpetual melody,  
God the One, in Threefold glory,  
Singing everlastingly.

To this temple, where we call thee,  
come, O Lord of Hosts, today;  
with thy wonted loving-kindness  
hear thy people as they pray;  
and thy fullest benediction  
shed within its walls for ay.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants  
Gift of grace by prayer to gain,  
Here to have and hold for ever  
Those good things their prayers obtain,  
and hereafter in thy glory  
With thy blessed ones to reign.

Laud and honour to the Father,  
laud and honour to the Son,  
laud and honour to the Spirit,  
ever Three, and ever One,  
One in love and One in splendour,  
while unending ages run. Amen.

*Latin c. 7<sup>th</sup> century, tr. J.M. Neale  
(1818-66)*

## Welcoming of the people

*Priest* In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

*All* Amen.

*Priest* The Lord be with you  
*All* and also with you.

## Prayer of Preparation

*All* Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## Prayer of Confession

*Dcn* God so loved the world  
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ  
to save us from our sins,  
to be our advocate in heaven,  
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins  
in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's  
commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

*All* Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through  
weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son  
Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you  
in newness of life  
to the glory of your name. Amen.

### *The Priest says the Absolution*

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all  
goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

### *The Gloria in Excelsis is sung:*

**All** Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ,  
only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand  
of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen**

### **The Collect**

*The Priest introduces the Collect  
with the words 'Let us pray'*

Lord God,  
defend your Church from all false  
teaching  
and give to your people knowledge of  
your truth,  
that we may enjoy eternal life  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

### **A reading from the Book of the Prophet Amos**

*Amos 6.1a, 4-7*

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,  
and for those who feel secure on Mount  
Samaria,  
the notables of the first of the nations,  
to whom the house of Israel resorts!  
Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,  
and lounge on their couches,  
and eat lambs from the flock,  
and calves from the stall;  
who sing idle songs to the sound of the  
harp,  
and like David improvise on  
instruments of music;  
who drink wine from bowls,  
and anoint themselves with the finest  
oils,  
but are not grieved over the ruin of  
Joseph!  
Therefore they shall now be the first to go  
into exile,  
and the revelry of the loungers shall  
pass away.

For the Word of the Lord

**All Thanks be to God**

## A reading from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy

### 1 Timothy 6.6-19

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

For the Word of the Lord  
**All Thanks be to God**

*Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us*

Firmly I believe and truly  
God is Three and God is One;  
and I next acknowledge duly  
manhood taken by the Son.

And I trust and hope most fully  
in that manhood crucified;  
and each thought and deed unruly  
do to death, as he has died.

Simply to his grace and wholly  
light and life and strength belong,  
and I love supremely, solely,  
him the holy, him the strong.

And I hold in veneration,  
for the love of him alone,  
Holy Church as his creation,  
and her teachings as his own.

Adoration ay be given,  
with and through the angelic host,  
to the God of earth and heaven,  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*John Henry Newman (1801-90)*

## Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the way, the truth, and the life,  
says the Lord.

No one comes to the Father  
except through me.

**All Alleluia**

The Lord be with you

**All And also with you**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord  
Jesus Christ according to Luke

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Luke 16.19-end*

‘There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, “Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.” But Abraham said, “Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.” He said, “Then, father, I beg you to send him to my

father’s house— for I have five brothers— that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.” Abraham replied, “They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.” He said, “No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.” He said to him, “If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.””

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

### The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit  
and the Virgin Mary, and was made  
man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under  
Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again**

in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the  
Father.

He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and  
the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is  
worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the  
Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and  
apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for  
the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the  
dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.

### **Prayers of Intercession**

In the power of the Spirit, and in union  
with Christ, let us pray to the Father

*These responses may be used*

Lord, in your mercy  
**All hear our prayer.**

*And at the end*

Merciful Father,  
**All accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

### **The Peace is introduced**

*Priest* God is love  
and those who live in love live in God  
and God lives in them.

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always  
with you

**All and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

*All may exchange a sign of peace*

### **Offertory Hymn**

*During which the table is prepared  
and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
my dear Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of his grace!

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,  
that bids our sorrows cease,  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,  
he sets the prisoner free;  
his blood can make the foulest clean;  
his blood availed for me.

He speaks, and listening to his voice,  
New life the dead receive,  
The mournful broken hearts rejoice,  
The humble poor believe

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,  
Your loosened tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come;  
And leap, ye lame, for joy!

My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim,  
to spread thro' all the earth abroad  
the honours of your name.

*Charles Wesley (1707-88)*

### **Prayer at the Preparation of the Table**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all  
creation:  
through your goodness we have this  
bread to set before you,  
which earth has given and human  
hands have made.  
It will become for us the bread of life.

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all  
creation:  
through your goodness we have this  
wine to set before you,  
fruit of the vine and work of human  
hands.  
It will become for us the cup of salva-  
tion.

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

*The Priest takes the bread and wine.*

### **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord is here  
**All His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our  
God.

**All It is right to give thanks and  
praise.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise  
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ,  
your living Word,  
through whom you have created all things;  
who was sent by you in your great  
goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took  
flesh;  
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,  
he lived on earth and went about among  
us;  
he opened wide his arms for us on the  
cross;  
he put an end to death by dying for us;  
and revealed the resurrection by rising to  
new life;  
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a  
holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and singing:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed,  
the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood  
of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was  
betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;

he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.  
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Saint John the Evangelist, Saint Peter, Mary the Mother of God, and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours,  
almighty Father, for ever and ever.  
**All Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**All Our Father,**  
**who art in heaven,**  
**hallowed be thy name;**  
**thy kingdom come;**  
**thy will be done;**  
**on earth as it is in heaven.**  
**Give us this day our daily bread.**  
**And forgive us our trespasses,**  
**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**  
**And lead us not into temptation;**  
**but deliver us from evil.**  
**For thine is the kingdom,**  
**the power and the glory,**  
**for ever and ever.**  
**Amen.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

*Priest* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All Though we are many,**  
**we are one body,**  
**because we all share in one bread.**

*We sit as Agnus Dei is sung:*

**All Jesus, Lamb of God,**  
**Have mercy on us**  
**Jesus, bearer of our sins,**  
**Have mercy on us**  
**Jesus, redeemer of the world,**  
**Give us your peace**

## **Giving of Communion**

*The Priest says the invitation to communion.*

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to  
his supper.

**All Lord, I am not worthy to receive  
you, but only say the word,  
and I shall be healed.**

*Communion is received.*

*Anthem: Holy is the true light (Harris)*

## **Communion Hymn**

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want.  
he makes me down to lie  
in pastures green; he leadeth me  
the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again;  
and me to walk doth make  
within the paths of righteousness,  
even for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
yet will I fear no ill;  
for thou art with me; and thy rod  
and staff my comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished  
in presence of my foes;  
my head thou dost with oil anoint,  
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life  
shall surely follow me;  
and in God's house forevermore  
my dwelling place shall be.

*Scottish Psalter 1650*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Priest* Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your  
perpetual mercy;  
and, because without you our human frailty  
cannot but fall,  
keep us ever by your help from all things  
hurtful,  
and lead us to all things profitable to our  
salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All Amen.*

*All* Father of all,  
we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off,  
you met us in your Son  
and brought us home.  
Dying and living,  
he declared your love,  
gave us grace,  
and opened the gate of glory.  
May we who share Christ's body  
live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup  
bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights  
give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you  
have set before us,  
so we and all your children  
shall be free,  
and the whole earth live  
to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## **Notices**

### **The Blessing**

The peace of God,  
which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds

in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you  
always.

**All Amen.**

### Final hymn

King of glory, King of peace,  
I will love thee;  
and that love may never cease,  
I will move thee.  
Thou hast granted my request,  
Thou hast heard me;  
Thou didst note my working breast,  
Thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art  
I will sing thee,  
and the cream of all my heart  
I will bring thee.  
Though my sins against me cried,  
Thou didst clear me;  
and alone, when they replied,  
Thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven,  
I will praise thee;  
in my heart, though not in heaven,  
I can raise thee.

Small it is, in this poor sort  
to enrol thee:  
e'en eternity's too short  
to extol thee.

*George Herbert (1593-1632)*

### Dismissal

**Priest** The Lord be with you  
**All** And also with you

**All** **May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, evermore. Amen.**

**Priest** May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace...

**All** **and rise in glory. Amen.**

**Deacon** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All** **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

**Concluding voluntary: Allegro from Suite in D (John Stanley)**



Please stay for coffee after today's Parish Mass.

### Closing date is approaching for Authorised Lay Ministry (ALM) Training applications

The Diocese is this year offering four new electives – Rural ministry, Care for Creation and Eco Church, Small group leader and Preaching. They will also continue to offer training in Pastoral care, Worship and liturgy, Mission and Chaplaincy. The ALM course is now open to any lay person who is 18 and above and has the support of their incumbent and PCC – there is no longer a requirement to have completed the Living Faith course first.

For more details please visit [www.chichester.anglican.org/authorised-lay-ministry/](http://www.chichester.anglican.org/authorised-lay-ministry/)  
The closing date for applications is 8th October 2022.

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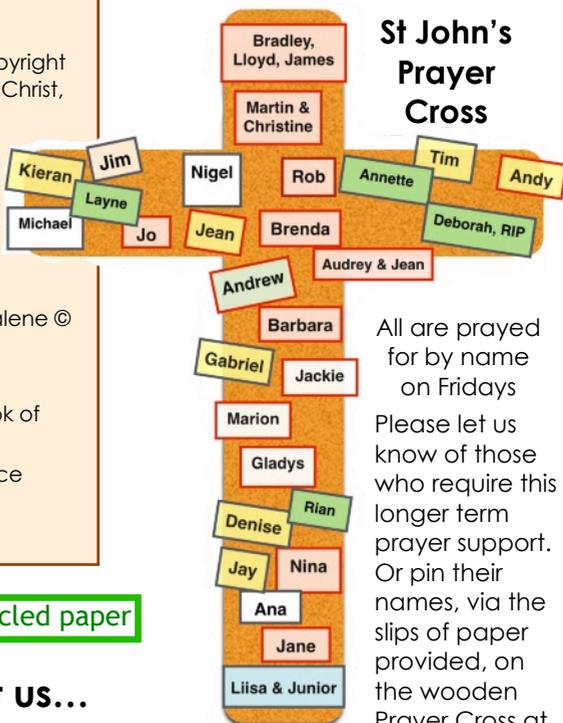
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## St John's Prayer Cross



All are prayed for by name on Fridays

Please let us know of those who require this longer term prayer support. Or pin their names, via the slips of paper provided, on the wooden Prayer Cross at the back of the Church. Thank you.

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