

### **The Week Ahead:**

Monday : 9.00am NO Morning Prayer.  
Tuesday : 7.00pm **Holy Communion**  
Wednesday : 10.00am NO Holy Communion  
11.00am Church open to visitors until noon.  
Saturday : 9.30 to 11.00am church open for visitors

### **Next Sunday, October 7th.**

#### **Harvest Thanksgiving**

#### **The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity**

8.00am Holy Communion  
10.00am Parish Communion.  
12.00 noon NO Holy Baptism

#### **Readings at 8.00am and 10.00am services** (Pages 723 to 724)

Psalm : Psalm 126  
Old Testament : Joel 2: 21-27  
New Testament : 1 Timothy 6. 6-10  
Gospel : Matthew 6: 25-37

#### **Sidespersons: At 10.00 am service.**

Team “B”

Roy Palmer, Jennifer Davies, Frances Lester, Sylvia Gregory.

#### **Pastoral Care at Holy Cross**

*To enable us to initiate and co-ordinate our responses to all pastoral needs as speedily as possible please get in touch with one of our Pastoral Workers, Paul Jackson (648 4291) or Jan Lupton (07835 063466) or the Parish Office on 0151 677 5352, or email at parishoffice@holycrosswoodchurch.uk*

**Refreshments** are available in the Parish Hall following the 10-00am service each Sunday (tea, coffee or fruit juice). Do join us for a chat!

***An Induction Loop is sited in the Nave***

*The weekly Pew Sheet is prepared by Roy Palmer (Telephone 342 1908). Please supply any notices for next week, in written form, preferably on the preceding Sunday or, **at the latest**, by noon on the preceding **WEDNESDAY**.*

## ***Welcome to*** **HOLY CROSS,** **WOODCHURCH**



### **The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity**

**Sunday, September 30th, 2018**

#### **Services, etc., today -**

8.00am Holy Communion  
10.00am Parish Communion with individual prayers of healing.  
(Preacher : Rev. Gordon Watts)  
12.00 noon Holy Baptism

#### **Collect:**

God, our judge and saviour,  
teach us to be open to your truth  
and to trust in your love,  
that we may live each day  
with confidence in the salvation which is given  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Post Communion:** (Page 582)

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast:  
for here we receive you,  
here the memory of your passion is renewed,  
here our minds are filled with grace,  
and here a pledge of future glory is given,  
when we shall feast at that table where you reign  
with all your saints for ever. Amen.

#### **Readings at Holy Communion Proper 21** Year B (Pages 682 to 684)

Psalm : Psalm 19. 7-14  
Old Testament : Numbers 11. 4-6, 10-16, 24-29  
New Testament : James 5. 13-20  
Gospel : Mark 9. 38-50

*Page numbers refer to the pages in The Common Worship Lectionary, NRSV, © Archbishops' Council. Sometimes the Collect is taken from Additional Collects ©, and the Psalm may be read from a different translation of the Bible.*

*In your intercessions this week  
PLEASE PRAY FOR -*

THOSE WHO LIVE AND WORK IN

Sun: Lower Green. Mon: Maritime Court. Tue: Mavis Drive 🐶.  
Wed: Meadow Crescent. Thu: Malley Close. Fri: Merton Drive.  
Sat: Nantwich Close.

THOSE BEING BAPTISED

Neala Anne Hunt

INDIVIDUAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Over the past 6 months, the Ministry Team have been reviewing the way we offer prayers for individuals which are available to all within our church: Individual prayers of healing and laying on of hands; monthly prayer list; prayer board and the individual prayer requests. This note deals with the latter. For this week only we have had to remove all the names in order to prepare for the revised arrangements which we are confident will improve our pastoral support. In future please complete a short slip from the back of church and place in the prayer box which will be emptied every Monday morning. If not convenient to place a slip in the box, please phone Paul, Jan or Sue for them to complete one. Names of those who are ill will be on the pewsheets for 3 weeks (but can be extended by completing another slip). Names for those who are homebound or in long term care may be transferred to the monthly prayer diary. We are sure that this new system will soon settle down. Thank you.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Michael Harper, Ronald William Turner

YEARS MIND

Eric James, Bob Freeman, Phil Lester, May Mutch.

*General enquiries (including baptisms and marriages) can be made  
at the JUBILEE ROOMS between **6.30 and 7.30pm on Wednesday evenings.***

*For urgent enquiries please ring 0151 - 677-5352.  
or by email using [holycrosswoodchurch@gmail.com](mailto:holycrosswoodchurch@gmail.com)*

**Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity - Mark 9:38-50**

Beware of always taking the Bible literally. Jesus is not encouraging self-mutilation. He says we must take responsibility for our own actions. Personal sin is to be taken seriously. Our lives can influence others for good - or bad. Jesus also warns us against spiritual pride that claims stuff like "I know God's will better than others", or "only my church IS THE right one".

*Prayer: Lord, teach us to judge our own behaviour rather than condemn others.*

**BIBLE READING  
FOR THE WEEK**

*Pray - for help with  
understanding  
Read carefully  
Live with a verse -  
through the week  
Pray - use the passage  
to help your prayers*

**NOTICES.** Website: [holycrosswoodchurch.uk](http://holycrosswoodchurch.uk)

**The flowers in church today** have been donated by Vera Gibson in memory of Jack's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.



**October Magazine.** This is now ready for distribution.

**Macmillan Coffee Morning:** May we thank everyone who helped in any way with the annual coffee morning on Sept 21<sup>st</sup>. In spite of the bad weather we were delighted to raise £ 511.00 for this most worthwhile cause.

*Jenny Davies, Barbara & Ian McKenzie*

**The Children's Society, Birkenhead Support Group** invite you to an illustrated talk by local historian Glynn Parry "Birkenhead ----now and then", NEXT Friday, at 7.30pm in St Stephen's Church Hall, Prenton. Tickets £6.00 including supper, available from Kath Watts or Val Hathaway.

**Harvest Flowers.** Contributions will be gratefully accepted towards the flowers at Harvest. There will be a plate at the back of church for any donation. Thank you

**Harvest Festival, October 7th (NEXT Sunday)** This year you are invited to bring non-perishable items (eg, Tins, etc) which can be donated to local organisations to be used for those in desperate need. Gifts of potted plants will also be welcomed to take to local housebound people.

**BBC Songs of Praise:** You are warmly invited to a special free music recording for Songs of Praise at Christ Church, Oxtun on **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm-9.30pm.** To apply please send your name, postcode, contact phone number to **SOPcongregations@avantimedia.tv** and include 'Birkenhead Recording' in your subject header. If you are a keen singer, please also include your voice part (SATB). For further details and help, please contact Sue at the Parish Office. *This recording will be marking the 100 year anniversary of the death of the poet Wilfred Owen on 4<sup>th</sup> November 1918. When Wilfred Owen and his family relocated from Shropshire, they attended Christ Church, Oxtun for several years. Owen's father went on to become a Sunday School teacher at the church.*

**Shoe Box Appeal.** There are 2 boxes at the back of church for any small donations – pens, pencils, paper etc., toiletries, toothpaste, brushes, soap, small toys, hats and scarves. Would anyone like to knit a small child's scarf – just 25 stitches and 30 inches long? Thank you. Gwyneth Mills

**Christmas Fair – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December** 12 Noon to 4pm in Parish Community Hall. We would be grateful for donations for raffle prizes and bars of chocolate for stalls. Please see Sue Dempsey for more information and if you would like a table.

**Update on the Heritage Weekends.** Just to let everyone know that we received 80 visitors over both weekends and raised £150 in donations together with marvellous feedback from visitors saying how welcoming our church was so thank you again to everyone who took part. Sue

***Where's Rosie?...***