

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Today

Please note that Evensong this evening is 'Said' with no homily and no choir, but you are all very much still welcome to experience the beauty of Cranmer's evening prayers of the church.

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on **Wednesday** and **Thursday** of this week and re-open on Friday 4th September at 9.00am.



Today is your last chance to buy a book/s from the display in hall foyer. **All proceeds go towards the Tower Fund**

Wednesday

10.00am Holy Communion with Revd. Canon Kate Stowe

Saturday

10.00am **Life after Loss** in the committee room.

NEXT WEEK ~ SEPTEMBER 6TH

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am All Age Service with the Blessing of Book/school bags.

6.30pm No Service

Date for your diary

Do bring your bookbags/schoolbags to the 10.00am service, on Sunday September 6th so that they can be blessed as the new school year begins.



OPEN CHURCH ~ Thursdays between 1.30-3.30pm

Please sign up at the back of church if you can spare time to steward the church on Thursdays.



Gift-Aiding

A reminder please: if you use one of the yellow giving envelopes, please ensure, to secure the gift aid, that the envelope is filled in and signed. Thank you.



AUTOMATIC DOORS - When exiting the church, please **use the push pad on a stand to open the doors into** the porch – **do not** push doors directly as this will damage the mechanisms.

SAVE THE DATE

A working party to tidy up the church hall before the start of the new term is planned for **FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 4th, 9.30am** for a couple of hours. If you can spare some time to come and help, please do so.

WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S CHURCH

*To Newcomers: We are especially glad to see you. By way of introduction please fill in a **welcome slip** at the back of the church and return it to a Sidesperson or contact the Parish Office on 681 1940.*

Please take this notice sheet home.

www.stpeterharborne.org.uk

Email: parishoffice@stpeterharborne.org.uk

If not already occupied by the Boulders Group, the Side Chapel (where there is audio connection to the Service), is available to you if your **young Children or babies** want to carry on singing when everyone else has stopped (particularly during the quiet bits!)

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY AUGUST 30th 2026 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY

8.00am

HOLY COMMUNION
Green Prayer Book

10.00am

PARISH COMMUNION
Common Worship ~ HA & M
Setting ~ Ledsham (p.17 of service booklet)

First Hymn: 696

Gradual Hymn: 629 (i)

Offertory Hymn: 258

Sermon: Revd. Pete Brayshaw

Communion Hymn: 358 (i)

Final Hymn: 510

6.30pm

SAID EVENSONG

RIP

Muriel Yusuf

The **Monday Group** begins on Zoom Monday 21st September at 10.30am-12noon and will be 'Exploring the Poetry of George Herbert'. Booklets for the Course will be available and we are beginning the series with *Love III - Love bade me welcome*. The joining code is sent out ahead of time. To register your interest in joining please see or contact Chris Butt 07720 865653/revbutt@ymail.com.

SUNDAY AUGUST 30th 2026
THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY

Collect

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading

Jeremiah 15:15-21

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. Therefore, thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:21-28

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for

their life? 'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

CAST YOUR VOTE

Many of you will know about the fantastic work that the **Moor Pool Heritage Trust** charity does in conserving the Moor Pool garden suburb's heritage and community spaces for the benefit of the local community and future generations. The Trust took ownership of the community facilities in 2014 and works to raise awareness of its importance to the wider public. Through its 'Everyday Working Lives' project, exhibitions, heritage trails, community events and activities, the Trust celebrates the people who shaped Moor Pool in the past and the community traditions that continue today. We are delighted to announce that the **Moor Pool Heritage Trust** has been shortlisted for **Everyday History Heroes 2026**, a national celebration of the organisations, places and people keeping local history alive. The **Everyday History Heroes** award celebrates the historic and cultural sites that champion the stories of ordinary people – from nurses and miners to teachers, soldiers and changemakers. It centres on the grassroots histories that often go untold: the communities who powered industries, stood up for their beliefs, and built modern Britain.



In the West Midlands, only three organisations were selected by a judging panel after England's historical organisations were invited to put forward their bids for entry last month: Moor Pool Heritage Trust, Shakespeare Birthplace Trust and Escape Arts in Stratford-upon-Avon.

The public is now invited to vote for their favourite site, helping to crown England's first-ever Everyday History Heroes and Moor Pool need your support! Voting is open now and closes at midnight on SEPTEMBER 1st with a national winner and seven regional winners to be announced on 10 September. Winners will receive a donation to help fund their community initiatives.

YOU CAN CAST YOUR VOTE AT

<https://www.findmypast.co.uk/c/everyday-history-heroes-west-midlands>

AND FIND OUT MORE ABOUT MOOR POOL AT

<https://www.moorpoolhall.org.uk/vote-for-us-in-the-everyday-history-heroes-competition/>