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Sunday 29th September Welcome to All Saints

Hymn: 494 O God our help in ages past

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**

A reading from Numbers [11:4-6,10-16,24-29]

The rabble among the Israelite people had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, 'If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.' Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, 'Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favour in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, "Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child", to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, "Give us meat to eat!" I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favour in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.' So the Lord said to Moses, 'Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you. So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, 'My lord Moses, stop them!' But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's

people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!'

This is the word of the Lord: Thanks be to God

A reading from James [5:13-20]

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

This is the word of the Lord: Thanks be to God

Hymn: 349 Jesus Christ is waiting

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark [9:38-end] Glory to you O Lord.

John said to Jesus, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.' But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. 'If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. 'For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord: Praise to you O Christ

Hymn: 395 Lift up your hearts, we lift them, Lord, to Thee

Communion Hymn: 387 Let us break bread together

Post Communion Prayer: 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**

Hymn: 662 There's a wideness in God's mercy

18th Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 29th September

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We ask God's healing for: Oliver, Christopher, Michelle, Jacob, Mary, Marie, Mary, Alice, Chris, Richard, Edward, Stuart, Stue, Debbie, Chris, Christopher, Anne, Carol, Janet, Ann & Rosemary. We pray for those of our congregation in nursing homes and residential care: Janet, Jean, Tony & Dorothy.

We pray for our work with children: Our local schools, Mini Church, Messy Church, Youth Group, First Steps Toddlers and Toddler Praise.

Parish Diary

Sunday 29th September

10.30 am	Parish Eucharist
12.30pm	Baptisms of Blake & Destiny Jagger

Thursday

3rd October

10.30 am	Holy Communion
11.15 am	Community Café

Saturday 5th October

1.00 pm	Wedding of Martin Denison & Reeanne Fawbert
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Sunday 6th October

8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
10.30	Parish Eucharist
6.00 pm	Choral Evensong

Dates for your diary

Sunday 6th October

6.00 pm	Choral Evensong
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Friday 1st November

7.30 pm	Explosive Light Orchestra (A tribute to ELO)
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3rd November

6.00 pm	Choral Evensong
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Sunday 1st December

6.00 pm	Choral Evensong
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Church Opening - the church is open daily for visitors and private prayer between the hours of **10.00 am and 4.00pm**

A massive THANK YOU for all your donations so far which have been greatly appreciated by **HOMELESS not HOPELESS**
Please leave donations in the box at the back of church

Come along to our Knit & Natter at St Aidan's on the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at 10am-11.30am. Knitting skills are not essential...just natter and enjoy coffee /cake together.
We look forward to seeing you. Carolyn

Confirmation 2024

On Sunday 3 November, All Saints Sunday, we are being joined by Bishop Toby for a confirmation service.

Come along to The Children's Society Quiz at St. Wilfred's Hall

on Saturday 12th October at 6.30.

Tickets £5 to include Pie, Pea & pudding supper from Enid or other committee members.

Our next MU meeting is on Tuesday 8th October @2.00pm in Church House. The speaker is Rev'd Jenny Kimber on her role in "Religious Broadcasting". Everyone is welcome

Christmas appeal (Teams4U) We are collecting the following items again this year for the Christmas Appeal for Families of Eastern Europe. Scarves, gloves, hats (both adult & child), wrapped soap, pan scourers, tea lights, candles, small toys, colouring books, crayons, pencils, sharpeners, pencil cases, toothbrushes, toothpaste, toiletries, cosmetics, dolls, lego, plasticine, stickers, games, cards, baby wipes, baby oil, babygrows etc. Please leave any donations in the Bell Tower for collection in early November. NB – no razors scissors or chocolate. Many thanks, Dorothy Bentley.