

1 June 2025—Seventh Sunday of Easter (Sunday after Ascension)

Welcome to our services today

Trinity Fair: Saturday 14th June, 11 am – 4 pm

Parish stalls include BBQ, Bouncy Castle, Cakes and Cream Teas, Cards and Crafts, Plants, and Raffle. The Pre-School and the Scouts will also have stalls. In Church there will be the usual information about our various groups together with information on Baptisms and Weddings. Tours of the Church will also be available, as will visits to the Bell Tower.

There are still boxes at the back of both churches for any donations. Volunteers to help on the day would be welcome – please speak to Derek Bangs.

Hymns of Praise

The Fair will end with a service of Hymns of Praise at 4 pm. This is your chance to choose a favourite hymn! Maybe one we haven't sung for a while. There are forms in both churches on which you can nominate a hymn to be included. (Please note the expectation on the form that by choosing a hymn you are indicating that you will actually turn up on the day and join in singing it!)

Please remember in your prayers this week:

The sick and infirm: June Anderton,
Margaret Coles, Janet Dadson, Ian Hasbey,
Leah James, Jerold Lee, Janet Murton,
Dave Powers, Pat Rorison, Christina & Geoff,
Graham, Jack & Rosemary, Kate,
Kirk & Karen, Mac, Mike, Sue, Tony

The recently departed: Dennis Ellis

Anniversary of death: George Anderton,
Arthur Bird, John Crone, Elizabeth Scott,
Dorothy Smith

THIS WEEK

- All events at Holy Trinity—*unless shown otherwise* •
Weekday Readings: Week 7 of Easter

Wednesday

6.30 pm: Mass (6.00: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament)
Psalm R. *Alleluia*.

Thursday *St Boniface, Bishop, Martyr*

11.00 am: Bible Study Group

Friday

11.00 am: Mass (10.30: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament)
Psalm R. *Alleluia*.

2–4 pm: Tea at Two—*All Saints Hall*

Saturday

9 am–12 pm: Hawley Churchyard Working Party

Next Sunday—PENTECOST

9.15 am: Mass with hymns—*All Saints*

11.00 am: Sung Mass

Lent Appeal

Our Lent Appeal raised £345.00 this year for White Lodge Centre. Many thanks to all who contributed.

Friends of Hawley Churchyard

The Working Party meets this Saturday (7th) from 9 am to 12 noon. Come and do as much or as little as you like, or help with refreshments.

'Tea at Two'

We meet every Friday from 2 – 4 pm in All Saints Hall. Come and join us for great cake, tea/coffee and conversation. We look forward to seeing you!

Weekly news sheet

Please send any items for inclusion on the sheet to Fr William by the end of Wednesday each week.

Living the Word: Psalm 97

The sovereignty of God, expressed in this Psalm with the words: 'the Lord is king,' is not something we always feel comfortable with, as it implies control and force to our modern-day eyes. If we are prepared to take this Psalm at its face value, the glory, the magnificence, and the splendour of God might even be said to strike us with terror. We can be happier with the domesticated images of God in Jesus Christ as our Friend or as our Teacher. But that runs the danger of distorting what the sovereignty of God and this Psalm mean. The opening verses give us a clue as to what this quality means in practice. Christ is the 'Dominus', the Lord, and therefore he is to be king over every part of our lives. Sovereignty is not defined in terms of worldly power. God is a loving creator: 'let the earth rejoice'. God is Lord of time and space: 'cloud and darkness are his clothing'. He is the God of justice and right. All things are held in his hand. This is marvellous to see, and our response is one of worship. The sovereignty of God is not about terror but exultation. We are called to respond in adoration.

Prayers to Remember

O Life of the dying and Salvation of the sick, the only hope of the wretched, and the resurrections of the dead, who rose on the third day, joyful and free, having broken the bonds of death and hell: I beg you with heartfelt gratitude, Most High God, to grant unto me in my weakness a part in the first resurrection by the remission of my sins, and a share with your saints in the second resurrection which is without end, O Lord Jesus Christ.

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Sunday 1st June 2025

7th Sunday of Easter

Gospel: John 17: 20 – end



Today we hear the prayer the Son offers to the Father at the Last Supper. It is known as the High Priestly Prayer. Jesus says, 'I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known'. And so he does. Jesus continues to make known the Father's name through his ministry as the Son, a ministry which he passed on to the Apostles, and from them on to their episcopal successors in every generation. This is the apostolic ministry which Jesus established and through which he continues his own reconciling work among men. This ministry, exercised by bishops, priests, and deacons in the historic succession, assures us of the continuation of Christ's own ministry. In our celebration of the Eucharist, the glory of God is being revealed. This is 'the glory I gave to them', which Jesus refers to in today's Gospel. We receive in word and sacrament the love with which the Father loves the Son, and which he has shared with us in the life of the Holy Spirit. What a great gift!