

12 July 2026—Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our services today

‘Holy Trinity, Hawley—A Short Guide’

This newly-produced, full-colour guide to our Parish Church is now available in both of our churches. Priced at just £2.00, it shows many notable aspects of the church building (some of them easily overlooked) together with the history behind them. All proceeds go to Hawley Parish. Do buy a copy for yourselves, and another for a friend or two (or three!)

Walsingham Cell Mass

The Walsingham Cell meets at Holy Trinity for Mass at 11 am this Saturday (18th), with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10.30 am, and followed by a bring-and-share lunch at the Vicarage. Everyone is welcome.

Mothers’ Union 150th Anniversary Afternoon Tea

You are invited to an afternoon tea from 2.30 pm onwards on Monday week (20th July). This will be held in Jackie Davies’ garden at 62 Oakfield Road, Hawley GU17 9DZ. All are welcome to attend but please either add your name to the list in the porch or let Jackie know directly (mob. 07986 508713). Please bring some cash for the raffle.”

‘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!

Please remember in your prayers this week:

The sick and infirm: June Anderton,
John Darcy, Ian McRea, Janet Murton, Mike Reed,
Pat Rorison, Lauren Scammell, Shirley Whiteley,
Jack & Rosemary, Jill, John, Kirk & Karen, Mark, Pete

The recently departed & their family: Michael Cole

Anniversary of death: Sydney Hope,
Trevor Williams

THIS WEEK

• All events at Holy Trinity—*unless shown otherwise* •
Weekday Readings: Week 15 in Ordinary Time, Year II

Monday

12.30 pm: Funeral of Una Simpkins
—*Easthampstead Park Crematorium*

Wednesday St Swithun, Bishop

6.30 pm: Mass (6.00: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament)
Psalm R. *I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.*

Friday

11.00 am: Mass (10.30: Exposition of Bl. Sacrament)
Psalm R. *You have held back my life, O Lord, from the pit of doom.*

12.30 pm: Funeral of Christopher Fooks

2 – 4 pm: Tea at Two—*All Saints Hall*

2.30 pm: Holy Communion—*Camberley Woods*

Saturday

11.00 am: Walsingham Cell Mass
(10.30: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament)
Psalm R. *The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.*

Next Sunday—Seventh Sunday after Trinity

9.15 am: Mass with hymns—*All Saints*

11.00 am: Sung Mass

Mass and Garden Party with Bishop Luke

Make sure you have this event in your diary! A summer celebration will be held at St Augustine’s Church, Aldershot GU12 4SE on **Friday 31 July**, commencing with Angelus and Mass at 6.00 pm and followed by a Garden Party in the grounds (or in the hall if the weather is inclement). Light refreshments will be provided, together with drinks, both alcoholic and non-alcoholic. Luke, Bishop of Richborough, will be with us to preside at Mass and to join us afterwards. Tom Middleton, National Director of Forward in Faith, and Libby Holden, FiF Administrative Assistant, also intend to be present. Do come along and meet them. Everyone is invited!

Weekly news sheet

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

From a sermon by St Leo the Great
 The Son of God who was in the beginning with God, through whom all things were made, without whom nothing was made, became man to free him from eternal death. He stooped down to take up our lowliness without loss to his own glory. He remained what he was; he took up what he was not. He wanted to join the very nature of a servant to that nature in which he is equal to God the Father. He wanted to unite both natures in an alliance so wonderful that the glory of the greater would not annihilate the lesser, nor the taking up of the lower diminish the greatness of the higher. What belongs to each nature is preserved intact and meets the other in one person: lowliness is taken up by greatness, weakness by power, mortality by eternity. To pay the debt of our human condition, a nature incapable of suffering is united to a nature capable of suffering, and true God and true man are forged into the unity that is the Lord. This was done to make possible the kind of remedy that fitted our human need: one and the same mediator between God and men able to die because of one nature, able to rise again because of the other. And so, at the birth of our Lord, the angels sing in joy: Glory to God in the highest, and they proclaim peace to his people on earth as they see the heavenly Jerusalem being built from all the nations of the world. If the angels on high are so exultant at this marvellous work of God's goodness, what joy should it not bring to the lowly hearts of men?

St Benedict: Feast Day of 11th July
 St. Benedict, father of Western monasticism, pray for us and help us to live a balanced life of prayer and work.

Sunday 12th July 2026
Trinity 6 / 15th Ordinary
Gospel: Matt 13: 1 - 23



Our Lord taught in parables, designed to catch the imagination and challenge us. Sometimes Jesus gave further teaching to the Twelve, (Matthew 13: 37) but parables can defy analysis. Even detailed examination does not always offer a full explanation. Jesus invites listeners to 'grasp', not analyse, these parables, which often do not have just one meaning. Jesus said He was communicating truths kept secret from the foundation of the world, (Matt 13: 3) but He warns us to be careful not to confuse the good with the bad. History shows many thought they understood Him but were wrong. (Matt 13:29). The Faith must be taught, and this might take a lifetime, but few of us understand today in exactly the same way we did ten or twenty or thirty years ago. We need to hear Jesus's teachings continually – and reflect carefully on them - to grow in our understanding and devotions.