

Sunday Worship

8.00am.	Holy Communion	1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
10.30am.	All Age Worship	1st Sunday
	Mattins	2nd Sunday
	Parish Communion	3rd, 4th & 5th Sundays
6.30pm	Holy Communion	2nd Sunday
6.30pm	Evensong Arley Chapel	3rd Sunday

Week-day and other activities

Holy Communion on 1st Wednesday in month at 10.30am

Celtic Evening prayer 1st Thursday in month 7.00pm in the Lady chapel

Vicar: The Revd. Alec Brown, The Vicarage, Great Budworth Tel: 01606 891324

Associate Minister: The Revd Christina Westwell 42, Runcorn Road Barnton 01606 782743

Churchwarden: Mrs Pauline Ridgway, 16, Pickmere Lane Wincham 01565 733494

Churchwarden: Mrs Margaret Cross, Wadesley House, Dark Lane, Marston 07732324001

P.C.C. Hon. Secretary: Miss Bev Harding, 11, Thistle Close, Pickmere 01565 734880

P.C.C. Hon. Treasurer:

Sexton: Mrs Shirley Humphreys 9 Westage Lane Gt Budworth 01606 891204

Wedding Vergers: Mrs Linda Platt 01606 46425
Mrs Susan Ollier 01565734242

Tower enquiries: Mrs Annette Jones, Sunridge 40 Hough Lane, Anderton 01606 781968
robnetjones@btinternet.com
or The Vicar

Old School booking

secretary: Mrs Pauline Ridgway 16, Pickmere Lane, Wincham 01565 733494

G.B. School Head: Mrs Rachel Corradine 01606 663690

Friends of Great

Budworth Church: The Revd. Alec Brown, The Vicarage, Great Budworth Tel: 01606 891324

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Karen Hammond The Butts, Smithy lane, Gt Budworth 01606 891397

Parish Magazine Editor: Mr Robert Cross Wadesley House, Dark lane, Marston 01606 48036

Parish Website: www.greatbudworthchurch.co.uk

The Parish Magazine of

Price £1.00p

September 2024



St Mary & All Saints Great Budworth

Serving Arley, Aston-by-Budworth, Comberbach, Crowley, Great Budworth,
Lower Wincham, Marbury, Marston, and Pickmere.

Dates for the diary September

Sunday 1st 10.30am All Age Service followed by refreshments

Wed 4th 10.30am Holy Communion, followed by refreshments

Thursday 5th 7.00pm Celtic Evening Prayer

Fri 13th 11.00am Roman Catholic Mass, Arley Chapel – all welcome

Sat 14th 2.00pm – 5.00pm Heritage afternoon in Church (details inside)

Fri 20th 1.30pm Great Budworth Primary School Welcome Service in Church

Sun 22nd 10.30am Harvest Festival, 2.30pm Forest Church (venue tbc),
3.00pm Harvest Festival, Chester Cathedral

Wed 25th 4.30pm Christ Church, Oxford – talk, afternoon tea, Holy Communion, dinner in the Great Hall (please see details in the magazine)

Craft and Natter

Over the last few months, with lots of chat over cups of tea/coffee and biscuits, we have made hearts, bracelets, cardigans jumpers, hats and gloves. Some of those have been made for ourselves or family members, but quite a few items have been made for charities.

We're having a short break now, but we'll start again in September.

Proposed dates are

11th / 25th September

9th / 23rd October

13th / 27th November

We all get a little busier in December so may not be able to meet

All meetings are held in the school Room /Reading room 10.30am to 12.30pm. Do come and join us if you can. We would love to see more people and to try different crafts.

**Rota of Readers,
Eucharistic Ministers and Intercessors
September 2024 Year B**

F I R S T S U N	<p>1st Sept The 14th Sunday after Trinity (Green) 8.00am HC BCP Pr17 Deut. 4.1-2,6-9 LL664 SL592 James 1. 17 – end LL665 SL593 Mark 7. 1-8,14-15,21-23 LL666 SL594 10.30am All Age Worship Special Service Sheet</p>	No Evening Service
S E C O N D S U N	<p>8th Sept. The 15th Sunday after Trinity (Green) 10.30am Mattins BCP Pr18 Psalm 146 Page 309 Isaiah 35. 4 – 7 LL668 SL596 J Martin Mark 7.24 – end LL671 SL598 K Hammond</p>	<p>6.30 pm H.C. CW Isaiah 35.4-7 LL668 SL596 James 2. 1-10,14-17 LL669 SL597 Mark 7.24 – end LL671 SL598</p>
T H I R D S U N	<p>15th Sept. The 16th Sunday after Trinity Pr19 (Green) 8.00am HC BCP 10.30am HC CW Isaiah 50. 4 – 9a LL676 SL602 C Rees James 3. 1 – 12 LL677 SL604 M Cross Mark 8. 27 – end LL678 SL605 INT: J Rees EM: S Evans</p>	<p>6.30pm EP BCP Arley Hall Chapel Psalm 119. 73 - 80 Page 574 Exodus 18. 13 - 26 Lord Ashbrook Matthew 7. 1 - 14 Officiant</p>
F O U R T H S U N	<p>22nd Sept. The 17th Sunday after Trinity (Green) Harvest Thanksgiving 10.30am HC CW Joel 2. 21 – 27 LL1162 SL1040 K Hammond Matthew 6. 25 – 33 LL1164 SL1042 S Gray Special Service Sheet INT: Vicar EM: S. Gray</p>	No Evening Service
F I F T H S U N	<p>29th Sept The 18th Sunday after Trinity (Green) 8.00am HC BCP Pr21 10.30 HC CW Numb. 11.4-6,10-16,24-29 LL688 SL613 S Evans James 5. 13 – end LL691 SL616 J Martin Mark 9. 38 – end LL692 SL616 INT: K Hammond EM: S Evans</p>	No Evening Service

*Articles for October edition send to Rob Cross:
 robcross43@gmail.com by **21st September** please*

Sidespersons Rota – September 2024

1st Sunday 1st September Trinity 14 Creation 1

8.00am Holy Communion BCP Robert & Marian Steele

10.30am All Age Worship Anne O'May
Care of Creation Rebecca Brierley

2nd Sunday 8th September Trinity 15 Creation 2

10.30am Matins Geoff Taylor
Hazel Taylor

6.30pm Holy Communion CW Shirley Humphreys

3rd Sunday 15th September Trinity 16 Creation 3

8.00am Holy Communion BCP Pat Hart

10.30am Parish Communion CW Robert Cross
Anne O'May

6.30pm Evening Prayer at Arley xxxxxxxxx

4th Sunday 22nd September Trinity 17 Creation 4

10.30am Harvest Festival Shirley Humphreys
Maggie Earl
Robert Cross

5th Sunday 29th September Trinity 18 Creation 5

8.00am Holy Communion BCP Robert & Marian Steele

10.30am Parish Communion CW Geoff & Hazel Taylor

October

1st Sunday 6th October Trinity 19

8.00am Holy Communion BCP Pat Hart

10.30am Animal Blessing Service Anne O'May
Rebecca Brierley

Margaret Cross – 07732324001
Pauline Ridgway – 01565 733494

From the Vicar

As many of you will know, I wrote and spoke last month about the terrible events in Southport at the end of July, and I am sure that we have all been holding Alice, Elsie and Bebe, their grieving families and the whole community in our thoughts and prayers. Only a few days before the attacks in Southport we had held Leavers' Services at St Mark's Church in Antrobus and Great Budworth Church, where we had said goodbye to the Year 6 pupils and had wished them well for their ongoing journeys in secondary school and life – how very sad that those three young girls from Southport have been so cruelly denied this and countless other opportunities and adventures in their lives.

After one of my addresses I was reminded though of the wonderful ways in which communities had come together after the mindless anti-immigrant protests and rioting in a number of towns and cities across the country, and of course His Majesty King Charles spoke about this to the nation at the beginning of August. Mosques and other buildings being repaired, fundraising taking place for all sorts of things – sending really positive messages about, amongst other things, the important role of social media as opposed to the negativity of the protests and riots – and local people speaking out on behalf of their communities and distancing themselves absolutely from the far right protests and rioting.

In one of my addresses I quoted St Paul who, in his letter to some of the earliest believers in Ephesus (modern day Turkey) encouraged them to “.....put away falsehood.....and speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another” and asked them to ensure that “...no evil talk came out of their mouths.” To these wise words we might add “...or from our smart phones....!”

As sisters and brothers in Christ we draw our strength from our Christian faith, but we know that in our diverse and pluralistic society others draw their strength from different sources and, like those who have been speaking on behalf of their communities in Southport and elsewhere, we should honour and respect them, notwithstanding our differences. This has, I think, been amply demonstrated across the country in these last few weeks.

This month we will be welcoming new children to our schools in both Antrobus and Great Budworth, and giving thanks to God for the harvest and the

work of our farming communities, who have had to deal with such difficult weather over the last year (see Paul Gerrard's commentaries for the view from the farm gate as it were). As we do so, let us not forget all those across our world who are suffering and let us commit ourselves afresh to the pursuit of justice, peace and reconciliation, taking comfort even in the darkest of times from Jesus' reassurance to us: "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you."

May God bless each one of us in this coming month.

The Revd Alec Brown.

Continued from page5

this involves squirting a measured amount of liquid according to each animal's weight, along the cow's back.

We also took the show team out for another day out to Nantwich Show. I haven't taken any animals of our own their before. It was a scorcher we had to make a SOS call to mum and dad to fetch the gazebo, so the team didn't get sunburnt. Full results are on the instagram page. But we were made up, the extra early start was well worth it.

There is quite a lot of building work going on at the minute altering the cow housing to enhance cow comfort, all will be revealed soon.

If you're planning a BBQ soon why not try some delicious Hawkstone Lager 100% British and produced by a famous Jeremy!

Farming can be very tough and sometimes lonely. Jeremy has also set up a help and support group. If you are feeling a bit down and it's all too much at the moment text *HAWKSTONE 85258 for free confidential support from a team at shout. This is not just for farmers. Don't suffer in silence.*

Till next time

Paul Gerrard

From the Registers

Marriage – congratulations to Sophie Moores and Christopher Mayers who were married in Church on 8th August, and to Caitlin Challinor and Alexander Hadfield whose marriage was blessed at St Mary's Chapel, Arley Hall on 22nd August.

Funerals – rest in peace Vernice Mylan and Sylvia Millington whose funerals took place on 16th and 23rd August respectively.

We are available by phone or email if you want to talk to us. We can offer a chat or prayer or both. If you have Facebook, have a look at the church page, @greatbudworthchurch where Christina posts prayers and reflections

We keep you all in our prayers. Stay well.

The Rev Alec Brown (Vicar) 01606 891324
alecGbrown@gmail.com don't forget the "G"

The Rev Christina Westwell (Associate Minister) 07870 687304
ckdjwestwell@tiscali.co.uk

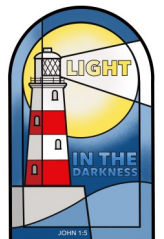
Mrs Janet Rees 07988 432889
janet.rees@btinternet.com

Mrs Margaret Cross (Churchwarden) 07732324001
margaretcross42@gmail.com

Mrs Pauline Ridgway (Churchwarden) 01565 733494
pauline_ridgway@hotmail.com

All phone calls etc. will be treated with confidence, but may need to be shared with somebody else on the team.

If you don't wish this to happen, please let the person you speak to know at the time of first contact.



God in the Arts

The Revd Michael Burgess looking at great works of music.

'Glorious the song when God's the theme': Fauré's Requiem

At the end of his life in 1924, Gabriel Fauré, the French composer, said to his sons, "When I am no longer here, you will hear it said of my works, 'After all, that was nothing much to write home about!' You must not let that hurt or depress you. It is the way of the world."

His concern was ill-founded, for Fauré's compositions, vocal, choral and instrumental, have become standard works in concert programmes, and are much loved by all who value the beauty and joy of music.

Curiously, the one work of Fauré's that is most frequently performed, his Requiem, had a lukewarm reception at its first performance. That was in 1888 at the funeral of an important Parisian architect in the church of the Madeleine. Afterwards the priests there told Fauré that the church's own musical repertoire did not require this new addition, and so for over 20 years the Requiem was virtually ignored.

Now it is one of the most loved and sublime settings of the Requiem. Is it because of the graceful, fleeting lines of melodies that Debussy compared to the gesture of a beautiful woman? Or is it because of the resigned, yet optimistic approach to death and eternal life that is at the heart of Fauré's setting. He wrote, "It has been said that my Requiem does not express the fear of death, and someone has called it a lullaby of death. But it is thus that I see death: as a happy deliverance, an aspiration towards happiness above..."

Written on the death of his parents, the Requiem in many ways marks the end of Fauré's youth. It was a youth that could be said to have begun with another beautiful choral work, the Cantique de Jean Racine. This was composed in 1865 when Fauré was just 20 years old, and finishing his studies at the École Niedermeyer.

Yet however youthful, it has all the hallmarks of the great composer: a serenity and a delicacy in setting the words, and a clarity of line and beauty of proportion that makes the work sing out its prayer. It addresses Jesus the Word and asks that He will watch over us and send us His grace. If we have been forgetful, then stir our hearts again. Receive this song, it prays, which is your gift to us returned in full measure.

The Cantique points to God as the author of all beauty. The music we compose is His inspiration and gift in our lives, which we offer to the world and to Him. In the novel *God's Apology* by Olivia Fane, the ten-year old girl, Joanna, talks of music as God's gift in this way. "I have come," she says, "because the lines of communication between our two worlds has been frayed. Music is the language of God. We can not only hear it, we can also sing it. So, sing now: sing in joy and in pain, sing to God." As we listen to Fauré's Requiem or Cantique, we can rejoice in that gift of music, and find it opening up God's world of beauty and harmony for us to hear and enjoy.

Paul Gerrards Farming Diary

Hello again.

Well harvest is in full flow when the sun decides to make an appearance once a week! Unfortunately, we were expecting a bit much from this year's cereals, but it is no surprise they haven't yielded very well at all. We could probably say it's one of if not the worse harvest we've had. The grain store is looking very miserable. What this means for winter only time will tell.

We have been following the combine round planting the cover crops to capture soil nutrients for the Spring and help soil structures.



We have had a few new arrivals on the farm. As each new calf is born, we offer a cow a bucket of an energiser drink. This fills the rumen (stomach) and gives the new mum plenty of vitamins and minerals to give her a boost. If she doesn't have a full stomach this could leave it to go in to shock and

twist, if this happens it certainly means surgery and could be fatal. So hopefully with the energiser drinks and some fresh food all will be good.

We have also given all the animals their 2nd dose of insect repellent

The Friends of Great Budworth Church Invite you to their annual **‘Heritage Afternoon’**

In church

Saturday 14th September 2024
2.00pm – 5.00pm



Programme of events:

- 2.15pm Talk by Robert Steele
- 3.15pm Organ recital by Stephen Reynolds
- 4.15pm Walk around Great Budworth Village and surrounding area (with a little local history thrown in) with The Rev Alec Brown.

Craft Stall Second Hand Book stall Refreshments

Trips up the tower every half-hour from 2.30pm, last trip at 4.30pm
(£5 per adult, £2.50 for children 8 – 16 years).

Children must be 8 years old and accompanied by an appropriate adult. Places on each trip limited.

Admission to the Heritage Afternoon is free, but donations towards the Friends' funds will be gratefully received.

For Information please contact Sarah Rosevear 07718984295 or Pauline Ridgway 01565 733494

Old School Room (Reading Room)

This historic building situated within the churchyard is available for hire, ideal for smaller meetings, away days, events or family occasions. This building has a small kitchen and an easy access W.C.



Previously the village school, the Reading room where villagers could access the newspapers of the day and also hosting the local meetings of ‘Toc H’



Contact Mrs Pauline Ridgway, 01565 733494

St. Mary & All Saints
Harvest Thanksgiving Service
Sunday 22nd September
10.30am in church
Please join us for this special service.



Harvest Festivals in this country date back to ancient Britain when most people planted and grew their own food in fields. Farmers gave thanks for a good harvest during the time of the full moon closest to the autumn equinox (22nd /23rd September).

A good harvest meant they could store the food and eat well through the hard winter months. The name 'harvest' derives from the Anglo-Saxon word 'Haerfest' meaning 'autumn'.

The modern British tradition of celebrating Harvest Festivals in churches began in 1843, when the Reverend Robert Hawker invited parishioners to a special thanksgiving service at his church in Morwenstow in Cornwall. Hymns such as 'We plough the fields and scatter, 'Come, ye thankful people' and 'All things bright and beautiful' helped popularise his idea of Harvest Festival, and spread the annual custom of decorating churches with home-grown produce for the Harvest Service.



**CHRIST CHURCH
CATHEDRAL**

Patron of St. Mary And All Saints Great Budworth

"You are warmly invited to a Corporate Communion at Christ Church Cathedral in Oxford on the evening of Wednesday 25 September. The service will be preceded by tea and a talk on Anglican hymnody given by the Reverend Canon Peter Moger, and will be followed by supper in the Great Hall. Christ Church holds the right of presentation for some seventy-nine livings across the country and is extending an invitation to the congregations of them all for an evening of collective worship, fellowship and hospitality. There will be a small charge of £15 towards the cost of tea and supper but the afternoon and evening are otherwise free of charge. Alec Brown and Margaret Cross are kindly coordinating travel arrangements, collecting payments, and liaising with Christ Church. Please speak with them by Sunday 1st September if you wish to join the trip."

This should be a great evening, if you would like to join us, we shall organise a minibus, which will of course add to the very reasonable £15 charge for the evening at Christchurch.

We will plan the day when we know how many people are interested, so please let us know as soon as possible.

Great Budworth C of E Aided School News



September is always an exciting time in school! We all return, refreshed from our holidays, eager to see familiar faces in our classes and ready to welcome new pupils and families. The display boards are fresh and ready for all the work that will be done over the coming weeks. The pencil pots have new pencils, colours and pens, ready to be used for the next written adventure, mathematical challenge, piece of art work or scientific investigation. The exercise books are labelled up, anticipating what will be imagined, and deliciously clean and crisp. It is a time for pupils and staff to dream up what will happen in the coming year and enjoy the start of the journey!

There are many things planned for the coming term. As well as settling into our new classes, learning new routines and getting used to being back in school we have plenty of things going on. At the start of the school year, the children choose their new school council for the year. Any child can put their name forward for this and, after writing their election statement, the rest of the class vote for who they would like. We have representatives from across the school age range. The School Council works with a member of staff to make sure that the views and thoughts of the children are considered for key things in school such as suggestions for charities to support in the year, ideas for ways to improve the school grounds and things that they would like to do. They have some super ideas! We also have Junior Safety Officers who work in liaison with Cheshire West and Chester Council to promote safety on the roads, the internet and in everyday life. The two children are chosen from upper Key Stage 2 and attend council run events as well as running competitions and assemblies in school. They do a fantastic job to inform our children how to stay safe.

We also have a couple of theme days planned, including European Languages Day and Poetry Day. European Languages Day is when the children will learn about a language that is spoken in a European country, simple greetings, basic conversation and more about the country that they live in. Children really enjoy learning about the culture, food and weather as well. Look out for this on our social media!

As we start back to school, we thank God for the opportunities that await us in the coming year. We are so grateful that we can learn together, in our wonderful school environment and pray for those for whom education is not as accessible. We count our blessings and thank God for all his gifts.

“Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.”

1 Chronicles 16 v 34.

Susie Ripley

Great Budworth C.E. (A) Primary School

Creation Care

SEPTEMBER

Step outside this Season of Creation (1 September - 4 October).

Connect with nature and dedicate this time to God as the Creator and sustainer of all life. Choose an idea or two from our resource and encourage your church family to take part too! Free to download at

arocha.org.uk/stepoutside-this-season-of-creationresource/