

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

Play & Praise 1.30pm 2nd and 4th Thursdays (apart from School holidays)

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We at Saint Marys are now a designated Pilgrim Place

St Mary & All Saints Great Budworth

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

St. Mary & All Saints Church

Services & Events

July

Wed 1 st	10.30am	Holy Communion – refreshments afterwards
Thur 2 nd	7.00pm	Celtic Evening Prayer
	7.45pm	Discussion group with refreshments
Sun 5 th	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
	10.30am	All Age Service – refreshments afterwards
	12.15pm	Baptism
	1.15pm	Pilgrim Walk to St Helen's, Northwich; start outside GB church @ 1.15pm to walk.
		Alternatively meet at St Helens at 3pm
Wed 8 th	10.30am	Craft & Natter in the Old School
Sun 12 th	10.30am	Matins BCP
	6.30pm	Holy Communion CW
Sat 18 th	8.30am	The Friends of Great Budworth Church trip to Black burn Cathedral, Whalley Abbey and possible short walk on the Tol kien Trail.
Sun 19 th	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
	10.30am	Holy Communion CW
	6.30pm	Deanery Evensong at Arley Chapel with BYO picnic
preceding @	5.00pm	
Wed 22 nd	10.30am	Craft & Natter in the Old School
Thur 23 rd	1.30pm	School Leavers Service in church
Sun 26 th	10.30am	Holy Communion CW
	2.30pm	Forest Church – venue Anderton Country Park (meet between the carpark and canal – carpark payment required)
<u>August</u>		
Sat 1 st	12.00pm	Service of Blessing at Arley
	2.00pm	Wedding in church
Sun 2 nd	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
	10.30am	All Age Service – refreshments afterwards
	1.30pm	Pilgrim walk from GB church - details TBC

Sidespersons Rota – July 2026

<u>1st Sunday</u>	<u>5th July Trinity 5 – Proper 9</u>	
8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	Robert & Marian Steele
10.30am	All Age Worship	Anne O'May Rebecca Brierley
<u>2nd Sunday</u>	<u>12th July Trinity 6 – Proper 10</u>	<u>Sea Sunday</u>
10.30am	Matins	Margaret Cross
6.30pm	Holy Communion Common Worship	Shirley Humphreys
<u>3rd Sunday</u>	<u>19th July Trinity 7 – Proper 11</u>	
8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	Pat Hart
10.30am	Holy Communion Common Worship	Robert Cross Anne O'May
6.30pm	Deanery Evening Prayer at Arley	xxxxxxxxxx
<u>4th Sunday</u>	<u>26th July Trinity 8 – Proper 12</u>	
10.30am	Holy Communion Common Worship	Maggie Earl Anne O'May
<u>August</u>		
<u>1st Sunday</u>	<u>2nd August Trinity 9 – Proper 13</u>	
8.00am	Holy Communion BCP	Robert & Marian Steel
10.30am	All Age Worship	Anne O'May Rebecca Brierley

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Rota for Readers, Eucharistic Ministers & Intercessors

July 2026

Year A

1st Sun	<u>5th July 5th Sunday after Trinity (Green)</u> <u>8am HC BCP</u> Zechariah 9. 9-12 SL266 LL299 Rom 7:15 – 25a Matt. 11 16-19, 25-end SL268 LL301 <u>10.30am All Age Service</u>	<u>No evening service</u>
2nd Sun	<u>12th July 6th Sunday after Trinity (Green)</u> <u>10.30 am Matins BCP (Officiant David Drinkwater)</u> Isaiah 55.10-13 SL271 LL305 J. Martin Romans 8. 1-11 SL272 LL307 K. Arlitt	<u>6.30pm HC CW (The Revd Keith Hine)</u> Isaiah 55: 10 – 13 Rom 8: 1-11 Matt 13: 1-9
3rd Sun	<u>19th July 7th Sunday after Trinity (Green)</u> <u>8am HC BCP 10.30am HC CW</u> Wisdom 12. 13,16-19 SL276 LL312 L. Entwistle Romans 8. 12-25 SL278 LL313 S. Gray Matt.13. 24-30,36-43 SL279 LL314 INT M Cross EM S. Gray	<u>6.30pm Arley Chapel</u> <u>Deanery Service</u> Psalms 67 1 Kings 2. 10-12,3. 16-end Acts 4. 1-22
4th Sun	<u>26th July 8th Sunday after Trinity (Green)</u> <u>10.30 HC CW</u> 1 Kings 3. 5-12 SL283 LL318 S. Evans Romans 8. 26-end SL284 LL320 K. Arlitt Matt. 13. 31-33,44-52 SL285 LL321 INT Officiant EM S. Ollier	<u>Forest Church 2.30pm</u> <u>No evening service</u>

From the Vicar

Continuing with the theme of journeying and pilgrimages, last month we had a very important visitor to the Diocese – the Archbishop of York Stephen Cottrell – who was here to talk about Pilgrim Places in the North. Along with many others I went to an afternoon meeting with him at St Andrew's Church in Tarvin, and others went to see him at the Cathedral in the evening. The Archbishop was very engaging and spoke about our life journeys, from birth to death and beyond, and about how these were enhanced by and through our faith. He also spoke about how we, as Christians and as members of Churches, could welcome, encourage and inspire others on their journeys (about which Christina wrote last month) and this is something we will all be thinking and praying about.

As I've often said before, we all come from different backgrounds and with different faith journeys but, as the old saying goes, we are all in it together, and we all have different things to offer one another along the way. And, who but God alone knows just what effect our actions and words and prayers will have, and will have had, on those around us. Two recent stories of different encounters have really struck home: the first followed our last discussion group on pilgrimage where I showed the group the flattened pewter ampulla in the shape of a scallop shell which was found by a metal detectorist some years ago in the fields below the Church and dated to the 14th/15th centuries. It is the emblem of the pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela in Spain (which I have started but not finished.....) but how it ended up in the field is of course a mystery – was it dropped deliberately or accidentally? On hearing this story one of the group, who had just finished the pilgrimage, spoke to me and offered to donate their scallop shell to the Church – and it can now be seen in the window of the Warburton Chapel, with an explanatory note underneath – such generosity and faith!

The second concerns a homeless young man who was camping in the Churchyard, and who was obviously very tired and thirsty – he was about

to set off and we had a brief conversation and I offered him a cup of coffee from the Pub, which he accepted very gratefully, saying to me: "Thanks Vicar, you're a real diamond!" I'm not quite sure what he meant, but before I could say anything he was off and back on the road, and I later saw him walking along the main road with a very heavy looking pack – there but for the grace of God.....

May our journeys, wherever they take us and whoever they bring us into contact with, be always hope filled and hopeful, and may they always be made in faith and love with those around us and those we encounter along the way.

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

The Revd Alec Brown.

From the Registers

Baptism – welcome to Anastasia McGarr and Camilla Anne Wood who were baptised at St Mary's Chapel, Arley Hall on 7th and 21st June respectively, and to Kathryn Arlitt who was baptised on 28th June.

Weddings – congratulations to Ruth Wilkinson and Tom Bowker who were married on 20th June.

Funerals – rest in peace Tommy Ward and John Baldwin whose funerals and burials took place on 8th and 15th June respectively, and Margaret Horrigan and Marjorie Edwards whose funerals took place in Church on 22nd and 26th June respectively.

Confirmation – congratulations and welcome to Kathryn Arlitt and Chloe and Isabella Patelaros who were confirmed by Bishop Julie Conalty on 28th June.

Your feedback and snippets you send are important, if there are any comments on the parish magazine or if you would like anything particular in the issue then please let me know.

The views of our contributors are, of course, entirely their own, and do not necessarily represent those of the P.C.C., the Editor, members of the congregation or parishioners in general.

Articles for August 2026 edition send to Rob Cross:

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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.

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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.

Words on a train

The sign on the train official's back read
"Revenue Protection Manager" and I was sorely tempted,
As we crept slowly out of Euston Station,
To ask him exactly what that meant,
But didn't get the chance as he was away and out of sight
In no time at all, though no doubt he'll return in due course;
But it made me think about language and words
And how they gradually change over time
And what they say to us today;
I'm sure he was a ticket collector, with an important job to do,
For as the notice in large letters in the carriage
Makes it very clear indeed to all passengers:
Don't want to pay? FINE. And so we wait with, slightly, bated breath
For "All tickets please" which is, I'm sure, what's coming next!

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9th June, 2026.



Great Budworth C of E Aided School News

School News

After the two-week break, the children have returned settled and ready for a busy and exciting end to the school year.

This term brings celebration and reflection as we prepare to say goodbye to our 2 wonderful Year 6 pupils. We are incredibly proud of all they have achieved and wish them every blessing and success as they move on.

Thank you to our amazing FOTS and school community for supporting our Summer Fayre. It was a lovely day enjoyed by all, including traditional may-pole dancing, and together we raised a fantastic **£990** for our school.

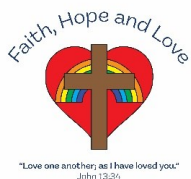
Selected KS2 pupils also enjoyed taking part in an orienteering event at Hartford High School and represented our school brilliantly — see picture!

Our Christian value this term is **Truthfulness**, which we explore together through daily worship and reflection.

There is still much to look forward to, including our KS2 residential, Healthy Week, Science Week and Sports Day ! a wonderful way to finish another busy and successful school year together.

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GREAT BUDWORTH CRICKET CLUB
is celebrating its
20TH ANNIVERSARY

And will be holding the
Peter McAndrew Memorial Match
Pete Taylor XI (Captin) v Simon Batey XI (Vice Captin)

Sunday 5th July at 1pm

ARLEY CRICKET GROUND

Teas provided at 3.00pm

BBQ and refreshments available for purchase from 6pm (after the game), plus entertainment.

You are all invited and we hope you will come and support us

The Royal Cheshire County Show

The show was held on 16th and 17th June this year, on the show ground at Tabley. They were lucky with the weather, with both days being dry and warm.

Many of our parishioners were involved in helping at the show; Alec and Audrey helped out in the church tent serving teas. Alec led a service and was also a 'roving chaplain', walking round the showground, ready to talk to anybody who wanted to. Ask him about it! He covered 6 miles that day



The Summer Event

Following discussion, and for a number of reasons, it has been decided to postpone the annual summer event to Saturday 5th September – please watch this space and the website/facebook page for further details – and please make a note of the date in your diaries. The event will probably start at 3/3.30pm.

2nd July

Celtic Evening Prayer @ 7pm

Discussion group @ 7.45pm

The title this month is “How do we sing the Lord’s song in a strange Land?”

How do we live authentic Christian lives in a perceived secular society?

We eat cheese and chat. It is such a friendly relaxed group – why not come along?

5th July

“Walking with a purpose”

As you are aware from last months magazine, we are thinking about Pilgrimage. St Mary’s is now a Pilgrim Place. We would like to explore pilgrim routes from Great Budworth to places in our Deanery and beyond. Alec will be looking at routes in the summer.

Our 1st walk is to St Helen’s Witton, the daughter church of St Mary’s – so an appropriate 1st walk.

The walk takes roughly 1hour 15. We will be setting off from St Mary’s at 1.15pm, The walk takes in fields, roads and the salt flashes at the end. It is not a challenging walk.

Why are we calling it “Walking with a purpose” – well we couldn’t think of a better title!! (alterative suggestions welcomed) Your purpose may be to do a mini pilgrimage, get fit, get to know different people or just explore our surroundings. Whatever your purpose, we would love you to join us.

Dress for the weather

If you don’t fancy walking – then meet us at St Helens for 3pm – they do cake and tower tours

26th July

Forest Church

We are meeting at Anderton. If you park in the main car park (charges apply) we meet between the car park and the canal. It is a great place to explore. Join us on our last meeting before September



St Mary’s Chapel

Arley

Please join us for the annual ‘Deanery Evensong’
Sunday 19th July 6.30pm
In Arley Chapel.

You are invited to ‘bring your own’ picnic and eat together from 5pm on the grass outside the chapel.
All welcome.

It is quite amazing where visitors to our church come from.

Australia Canada Japan Korea New Zealand Poland Spain Ukraine United States can all be found in our visitors book, but I was surprised to see the following recently;

