

Lectionary Readings

Sun 13th **15th Sunday after Trinity**
Birstall readings (*Battle of Britain Sunday with ATC*)

Reading 1: Genesis 50:15-21

Reading 2: Romans 14:1-12

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Wanlip Readings: *BCP Evensong*

Reading 1: Ezekiel 12:21 – 13:6

Reading 2: Acts 19:1-20

Psalm: 108

Mon 14th *Holy Cross Day*

Psalm: 2

Reading 1: Genesis 3:1-15

Reading 2: John 12:27-36a

Tue 15th

Psalm: 36

Reading 1: 1 Kings 8:63 – 9:9

Reading 2: Acts 16:25-end

Wed 16th

Psalm: 34

Reading 1: 1 Kings 10:1-25

Reading 2: Acts 17:1-15

Holy Communion Readings

Reading 1: 1 Corinthians 12:31b – end of 13

Gospel: Luke 7:31-35

Thu 17th

Psalm: 37

Reading 1: 1 Kings 11:1-13

Reading 2: Acts 17:16-end

Fri 18th

Psalm: 31

Reading 1: 1 Kings 11:26-end

Reading 2: Acts 18:1-21

Sat 19th

Psalm: 42

Reading 1: 1 Kings 12:1-24

Reading 2: Acts 18:22 – 19:7

Sun 20th **16th Sunday after Trinity**

Birstall readings

Reading 1: Jonah 3:10 – end of 4

Reading 2: Philippians 1:21-end

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Wanlip Readings: *BCP Holy Communion*

Reading 1: Jonah 3:10 – end of 4

Reading 2: Philippians 1:21-end

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

13th September 2026

15th Sunday after Trinity/ Battle of Britain Sunday

Collect

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

BCP Evensong Collect

Keep, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

This week we are grateful for....

A handy seat with a view along a walk

Additional Notices for the Week

Garden Party at the Rectory – Today (13th Sept)

Sunday 13th September - 12.30pm to 5.30pm. Everyone Welcome. Bring your own meat - drinks and other food will be provided. *Amanda & Paul*

Monday Group – Tomorrow (14th Sept)

Our next meeting is on 14th September starting at 2:30pm at St James. Kathy from Butterfly Barn will be coming for a candle making demo and gift sale. Visitors welcome. *Joan Folland*

Coffee Shop – 15th September

The next Coffee Shop will be on Tuesday 15th September at 10am - 12 noon, in Wanlip Hall

Sing for Unity and Peace - 20th September

Sing for Unity and Peace concert on 20th September at St James's Church at 1-2pm. Refreshments in the village hall afterwards. Choirs and performers from our community with everyone gathering for a finale of 'What a Wonderful World.' Free entry – donations to church funds and refreshments welcome. If you can help with setting up at the hall, catering, etc please see the sign-up sheets at the back of church. If you have any queries, please speak to Kev Burrows.

IMPORTANT - War Memorial at Wanlip

A few weeks ago, an expert let us know that the war memorial at Wanlip is in danger of falling off the wall. We are awaiting a second quote to repair this, but in the meantime, we have put up the correct legal signs to tell people not to enter the area. Unfortunately, someone removed these and put a long, wordy sign up instead. This is not legal and does not comply with regulations, so we have put the no entry signs back up. Please do not remove signage without checking with the PCC. Thank you.

Health and Safety Team

We now have a Health and Safety (H&S) Team for St James' - please report any issues about the building or health and safety to either John Sutcliffe (team leader); John or Sarah Borrajo; or Kev Burrows. If you have concerns at Wanlip, please let Paul Digman or Martin O'Key know. Equally, if you can recommend any builders / plumbers / electricians etc, please let Sheryl know and she will create a list to put up in the office. Thank you. A copy of the new H&S Document will be in the kitchen and office at Birstall. Please read it if you are a volunteer in the church. Let Amanda know if you'd like a copy emailing to you.

Funeral for Di Mayoh – 25th September

Di's funeral will be on Friday 25th September at Our Lady & St Nicholas starting at 11am.

Visiting Bell Ringers – an addition to September's diary

Bell ringers will be ringing at Our Lady & St Nicholas on Saturday 19th September 2-4pm.

Flannels

To save money on paper towels and to save concerns about germs, we now have a basket of flannels in each toilet, with a basket on the floor for used ones, which will be taken away to be washed. If you have any spare flannels, in good condition, please could you put them in the choir stalls for Amanda to sort.

Harvest – 4th October

Our Harvest Festivals this year will be on Sunday 4th October. Please bring donations of packet, dried and tinned food and toiletries for Birstall Food Hub, if you can.