

OCTOBER 2026



St James the Great ▪ Birstall
Our Lady and St Nicholas ▪ Wanlip

Green Tip for the month: Don't buy individually wrapped sweets – go for those sold loose in boxes or jars

Bible Book of the month: Hebrews

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
KEY Birstall Both Wanlip Hallam Fields Wider Church/Village			1 9:30am Morning Prayer	2 2-4pm Welcome Space Amanda off	3 10-Noon Open Church	4 Harvest 10am 1 st Sunday Special Harvest Service Afterwards: Dorothy Barsby Burial of Ashes in Churchyard All welcome 6pm Harvest Holy Communion
5	6 12:30-4pm Welcome Space	7 12:30pm Midweek Communion & Lunch 3-4pm Open Church 8:15pm RBL Quiz Night	8 9:30am Morning Prayer	9 2-4pm Welcome Space Amanda off	10 Amanda off	11 19 th Sunday after Trinity 10am Holy Communion 6pm BCP Evensong Service
12 2:30pm Monday Group – Prize bingo with the “Great” Gregorio	13 12:30-4pm Welcome Space	14 2:30pm Cedar Mews Care Home Service 3-4pm Open Church 8:15pm RBL Quiz Night	15 9:30am Holy Communion	16 2-4pm Welcome Space Amanda off	17 10-Noon Open Church	18 20 th Sunday after Trinity 10am Holy Communion 6pm BCP Holy Communion
19 10am Mothers Union News/Prayer deadline for Novembers Diary	20 10am Coffee Shop 12:30-4pm Welcome Space Amanda off	21 3-4pm Open Church 8:15pm RBL Quiz Night Amanda off	22 9:30am Morning Prayer Amanda off	23 2-4pm Welcome Space Amanda off	24 Amanda off	25 Last Sunday after Trinity 10am Holy Communion with Healing 6pm BCP Evensong Amanda off
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For Prayer:

Sick: David Bark, Michael Webb, John & Lesley Walton, Tricia Emmett & all who care for them.

Communion at home: Sheila Skidmore, Freda Sowards, Margery Orton, Gillian Hinton, John Harrison, John Walters & Michael Webb

Friends & family of those who have died recently: Di Mayoh

	Those who died this time last year	Our Parish Churches & Villages	The Worldwide Anglican Church	The Persecuted Church	Places of conflict: Israel, Palestine, Ukraine and....
w/c 4 th October		Scouts, Guides, Brownies, Cubs, ATC & Sea Cadets Our Funeral Directors	The Diocese of Busan – The Anglican Church of Korea	<u>Qatar:</u> Strengthen, encourage & protect the converts over recent years. Provide spaces for them to gather safely, Give church leaders wisdom, courage & discernment amidst scrutiny. Work in the hearts of the authorities & monarchy,	For an end to the Gang War in Haiti ongoing since 2020
w/c 11 th October		Our PCC members Our Social Workers	The Diocese of Bukuru – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)	<u>Kazakhstan:</u> Equip followers to withstand the challenges of pressure & persecution. Comfort & heal those who've suffered loss for their faith. Encourage church leaders in their crucial but often exhausting work.	For an end to the Kurdish Separatism in Iran ongoing since 1918
w/c 18 th October		Our PCC Treasurer & Secretary Recreational Clubs and Areas	The Diocese of Butere – The Anglican Church of Kenya	<u>Nepal:</u> Pray for protection, courage and hope where followers have been attacked recent instability. Pray for peace & refresh their spirits & help them see your mighty hand at work.	For an end to the Jamaican Political Conflict ongoing since 1943
w/c 25 th October		Our Sacristan, Servers & Communion Assistants People with Special Needs	The Diocese of Calcutta – The Church of North India (United)	<u>Colombia:</u> Give strength for today & hope for tomorrow for those affected by persecution and protect them from harm. Bring peace to conflict-ridden regions.	For an end to the Indo-Pakistani Wars ongoing since 1947

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Our website is: birstall.org

A Church Near You website: www.achurchnearyou.com

Please feel free to contact Amanda during office hours (or other times in an emergency):

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Sadna (our Treasurer)

Sadna will collect Invoices and Expense Sheets from the 'Treasurer's Box' in the office, but if you need to contact her, her email is sadna_c@yahoo.co.uk and her mobile is 07341 269636. (best to text or use WhatsApp) Expenses need to be approved by the Clergy before they are incurred. We're keeping a very close eye on our overheads.

Notices for the information sheets & when I'm in the Church Office

I will be in the office on Tuesdays & Thursdays between 9am and 1pm. If you have a notice for the information sheet, can you please email it to:

stjames.birstall@btconnect.com and/or sheryljupp@hotmail.co.uk or leave a message on the office answer machine (0116 2671797) or leave a note on my desk. I will need to have received it **before 11am** on the Thursday to get your items included in that week's news sheet or by the date on the diary for the monthly notices.