



**St Peter
& St Paul**
RUSTINGTON

Sunday 4th October 2026
Trinity eighteen – Harvest Festival

Sunday 4th October Trinity 18 Harvest Festival and Pantry 5th Birthday celebrations.	<i>8.30 am Holy Communion (Traditional language)</i> <i>President: Rev Natalie Bawcutt, preacher: Gill Renny</i> <i>10.00 am All Age Eucharist</i> <i>President and preacher: Rev Natalie Bawcutt</i> <i>Readings: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10, Luke 12:16-30</i> <i>12.15 pm Friendship Lunch</i> <i>3 pm Eco Pilgrimage (meet at the bottom of Sea Lane)</i>
Collect	Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Post Communion	Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

***** What's on *****

Monday 5th October	4.00 pm Monday Rocks (church)
Tuesday 6th October	12.30 pm Noah's Ark (church hall) 1.15 pm Miss you group (Church) 4.30 pm Bolders (church hall)
Wednesday 7th October	10.00 am Coffee Break (church hall) 11.00 am Holy Communion President and preacher: Rev Natalie Bawcutt Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14, Psalm 117, Luke 11:1-4 3.00 pm Café church (church) 3.30 pm FSW after school club (church hall) 4.00 – 6.00 pm Pantry (church hall)
Thursday 8th October	No morning prayer PCC away day
Friday 9th October	7.00 pm choir practice
Sunday 11th October Trinity 19	8.30 am Holy Communion (Traditional language) President and preacher: Rev James Spanner 10.00 am Sung Eucharist President: Rev Jeremy Brooks, preacher: Rev James Spanner Readings: Philippians 4:1-9, Matthew 22:1-14

Morning Prayer: 9.00 am Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday. (Not on Bank Holidays).

Private Prayer: The church will open for private prayer on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday this week between 10.30 am – 12.00 noon.

Parish Prayer Time (PPT) will meet in the Church on Monday mornings at 9.30 am, (following Morning Prayer). Parish Prayer Time lasts about 40 minutes and usually starts with a shared scripture passage or words of encouragement to lead us into prayer for the Parish, the world and individuals who have requested our prayers.

Please remember in your prayers: Rosemary Colwell, Isla, Anne Springham, Keith Worrall, Newman, Penny Godwin, Peter Watson, Jenny & John Harris, Jane Hunt, Joan Thomas, Jim.

If you wish a name to be included, please let Natalie in the office know. The list will be refreshed again soon.

Years Mind: Michael Bond (2004), Ivy Clift (2015), Michael Earll (2009), Judith Espley (2024), Sidney Watters (2013), Anthony Tuffery (2008), Mervyn Bond (2004)

The **Book of Remembrance** is with the calligrapher for updating and will be back soon.

The Season of Creation – Week 6 — Let the River Flow

As the Season of Creation draws to a close, we give thanks for all that we have learned and done together. The river in Ezekiel's vision brings healing wherever it flows. May our prayers, choices and actions become part of that river of life — flowing outward from our church into our community and into the wider world. Let us continue caring for God's creation throughout the year.

Top tip: Make a simple ongoing commitment, such as a monthly prayer or action for water and creation care, to carry this season forward.

Eco Pilgrimage- meet at the bus shelter at the end of sea lane: Sunday 4th October at 3.00 pm. See poster for details.

If anyone can help clearing the leaves from the church hall car park, please contact Christopher Simmance, 07770 225325

Thank you to the children who raised money for the pantry by selling bookmarks last Sunday. Thanks to them and all your support they raised an impressive £46 for the pantry. **Thank you!**

People's Emergency Broadcast – on Tuesday 20th October at 7.00 pm in church we will be hosting a viewing of the People's Emergency Broadcast with a discussion about the climate emergency. This event is in collaboration with the Parish council. We have Tony Whitbread President of the Sussex Wildlife Trust coming to facilitate. Booking information to follow.

Home Group get together – on Sunday 25th October at 3.00 pm in church, there will be a get together for all those in home groups or anyone who would like to explore what a home group is. Please could each group bring a cake or biscuits.

Shoe Box Appeal. There are leaflets and a few empty boxes at the back of church. If you prefer not fill a whole box but still would like to donate, then just leave a few things or even an empty shoe box on the table. All donations will be gratefully appreciated. (Sorry, no trainer shoe boxes as they are too big). We did 48 boxes last year and are setting a target of 60 this year. Let's go for it!!!

If you require any help please let me know.

Caroline

A Lad in a manger – Pantomime! December 5th, 3.00 pm and 6.00 pm performances. Tickets are £5 each and are now available on ChurchSuite or from the website. <https://rustingtonparishchurch.churchsuite.com/events/xozybygp> or contact the church office to buy your ticket or speak with one of the group at coffee, who will be able to assist you.

Carrie, Jan, Joanna, Lisa, Sarah

Social & Fundraising Group – at the end of the year, the current group will be standing down, having done three and a half years. It would be good if a new group could form before the end of the year, in order to plan events for 2027. You don't have to be a PCC member, so if you are interested, please have a chat with any of the current members.

Carrie, Jan, Joanna, Lisa, Sarah

Seasight – the church magazine - is a chronicle of the life of our church, notice of upcoming events and communication details for newcomers and visitors. It also provides an essential part of our contact with members of the congregation who are unable to attend church. The magazine is distributed to these people via a willing (and occasionally hardy) group of volunteers. We are currently seeking to expand this distribution team. If you like to walk a little and perhaps get to know more of the church family please contact Fran Tuppen via e-mail, ChurchSuite, or the Church Office.

Family Support Work - we are looking to recruit some new volunteers to help with the After School Club which takes place on the first Wednesday of the month (2.30 - 5.30 pm). If you are interested in joining us, please contact Philippa Dabin. philippadabin@btinternet.com

Pantry: Nurse Sian was with us again at the Church Pantry for this week's early session. She took blood pressure readings and discussed health matters with 20 people. Nurse Sian plans to be back with us again in January. Her colleague Carina from the Prevention Awareness Team will be back in November. Next week we have our wonderful Cafe Church, after which Hazel from Citizens Advice will be available to help anyone that she can. We will be receiving donations from the Harvest Festival service but if you could please help us top up with milk, cereals, pasta sauce and squash we would be very grateful.

Thank you from The Pantry Team

Could you spare a little time to support local families. We are looking to recruit a couple of volunteers to join our friendly Pantry teams at Rustington Community Primary School (Tuesdays, 8.30 to 9.00 am), Georgian Gardens Primary School (Thursdays, 8.30 to 9.30 am) and Summerlea Primary School (Thursdays, 2.15 to 2.45 pm) during term time. Whether you can help at one, two or all three pantries, or volunteer weekly, fortnightly, monthly or simply provide occasional cover, we would love to hear from you. Volunteers help set up, welcome families, organise food and household essentials, and create a warm, friendly atmosphere where relationships can grow. It's a rewarding way to serve our community, meet new people and make a real difference to local families. Please speak to Charlie Sims, Pantry Manager, for more information. pantrymanager@rustingtonparish.church

Big Top Holiday Club

Booking is open now for three mornings of circus-themed fun! We will enjoy stories, songs, games, crafts and snacks. All primary age children welcome. The club will run on:

Monday 26th October 10.00 am – 12.00 noon

Tuesday 27th October 10.00 am – 12.00 noon

Wednesday 28th October 10.00 am – 12.00 noon

The cost is just £5 for all three sessions, and your children will be very welcome. Flyers are available in church so please share with friends and neighbours. Booking via the website or ChurchSuite.

<https://rustingtonparishchurch.churchsuite.com/events/kqfdnsmh>

Looking forward to lots of fun.

Gill Renny

Our visit to Burundi, October 14th – 25th. Thank you to those who have knitted bootees. I probably have enough now. They will bring much joy! Jeremy was given our visas in just a morning visit. Such good news!

In Burundi we will attend church and visit various Literacy and Savings groups and meet M.U. members at their microenterprises. After the main group has left, Jeremy and I will move to a Christian Conference Centre for three days where we hope friends from Pat and my retirement visits will come to see us - four are now bishops! Please pray for some good reunions and safety for all of us. Thank you.

Pam Brooks

Footsteps Walk – every third Saturday of the month at 10.30 am until December. Then the first Sunday from January.

Generosity A huge thank you to everyone who supports the church by using the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS); it relieves the finance team of a lot of work claiming back the gift aid and ensures the church has a regular income for all its vital work and daily expenses. If you would like to give to the church regularly, details of the **Parish Giving Scheme** which enables the church to budget for the future are below: Ring PGS confidentially on 0333 002 1271 or go to <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home/> to activate regular giving. There are also forms at the back of the church or ask in the office for further information. Our parish code is 101010024.



“Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.” 1 Timothy 6:18-19

Mission Matters

PLEASE PRAY FOR SOUTH SUDAN AS ELECTIONS ARE HELD

Extract from a special update from Nicci:

“Please can I ask you to pray for South Sudan, especially in the coming week but also for the run up to the election. I'm praying for PEACE and PROTECTION for every person in South Sudan and that God will do something miraculous in this country!

I'm safe and feeling well. I will go to work as normal in the week ahead unless the team at ACROSS advise otherwise. Please don't worry about me!”

Read her weekly blog niccimaxwell.wordpress.com)

Please continue to encourage Nicci and pray for the tense political situation in South Sudan. If you would like to donate personally to some of the basic needs in the hospital, you can send money to Nicci via Links, a registered Christian charity based in Littlehampton, that enables gifts to be sent directly to Nicci to be used according to needs at her discretion. Search for www.links.charity

Using Links (Act 4 You) (Project), gifts can be made to the account 'Supporting Child Health in South Sudan', account number 3209

If you have any problems you can contact Links for assistance by phone 01903 778515 or hello@links.charity

If you would like to sponsor the Church Notice sheet, to remember or recognise a special event or anniversary please contact the church office.

If you would like to sponsor the seven-day candle that is in the chancel next to the Reserved Sacrament, in memory of someone, or for a special event or anniversary, please contact the Church office.

Material for **Sunday 11th October 2026** should reach the church office by **10.00 am Wednesday 7th September 2026** and be sent to sarahlouisegc@gmail.com

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Weds, Thurs, Fri 10.00 am – 12.00 noon

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