DIARY THIS WEEK 2025 Monday 17th

10:00am Craft Drop In – Church Centre 11.30am Funeral and burial – Dennis Bond

Tuesday 18th

9:00am First Steps - in Church Centre

Next Sunday 23rd February 2025. THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

8:00 am **SAID EUCHARIST** 9:30 am **SUNG EUCHARIST**

Readings: Gen. 2: 4b-9, 15-end; Psalm 65;

Rev: Ch 4; Luke 8: 22-25.

11.30am Scout and Guide Founders Day service.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING 7 April 2025 at 7.30 pm

Every six years a completely new Electoral Roll has to be prepared, 2025 is such a year. Therefore, if you wish to take an active part in our APCM you **NEED TO FILL IN A FORM,** you will find these at the back of church. Work will start on the preparation of a new Roll in March. This will then be available for inspection for two weeks when only errors or omissions may be corrected, but no new names may be added until the end of the annual meeting.

On publication of the new roll, the previous roll ceases to have effect. Please help to spread the word that Electoral Roll forms are available for the new Roll.

Join me for an evening of three thought provoking interviews, with Saints Peter, Paul and Mary, on the evening of Tuesday 25th February at 7pm in the Church Centre. You will most likely not agree with all you hear, and will be invited to say so after each interview. You might want to bring your Bible with you. Tea and coffee will be served before we start.

I would appreciate you signing the sheet at the back if you intend coming, so I know how many to expect. Yvonne Jones.

Parish Lunch

The next Parish Lunch will be 12:00noon on Tue $11^{\rm th}$ March at the Six Halts.

Contact Sandra Harris for details **01246 601470**

Due to Jill Sloane, Tesco at Clay Cross have agreed that they will provide a book stall for the church during the month of April. If you would like to donate books for this then please let me know. Jill has agreed to store the books for us. I believe that when the Fun Day group had their book stall £500 was raised. I will be speaking with Tesco regarding other fund raising opportunities. Anne K

LENT GROUP

Please sign up at the back of church for the Lent group



All Saints Church

WINGERWORTH

SUNDAY 16th FEBRUARY 2025 THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Welcome to all who join in our worship today, especially newcomers and visitors.

Please join us in the Church Centre for coffee after our 9:30 am service.

We say welcome and thanks to Revd Michael Champney who presides at our Eucharist services today

8.00 am SAID EUCHARIST

9:30 am FAMILY SUNG EUCHARIST

Hymns: Jnr Praise - 91, 161, 288, 41, 175.

COLLECT

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

POST COMMUNION Merciful Father,

who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life, that those who come to him should never hunger: draw us to the Lord in faith and love, that we may eat and drink with him at his table in the kingdom, where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen

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FIRST READING

Jeremiah 17.5-10

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

5 Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

6 They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

7 Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD.
8 They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

9 The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse – who can understand it?

10 I the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

PSALM 1

RESPONSE: Happy are they who walk in the law of the Lord.

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, and they meditate on his law day and night.

RESPONSE

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

4 It is not so with the wicked: they are like chaff which the wind blows away;

RESPONSE

5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgement comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked is doomed.

RESPONSE

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15.12-20

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

12 If Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead?

13 If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised;

14 and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. 15 We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ – whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. 16 For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins.

18 Then those also who have died in Christ have perished.

19 If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

20 But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

GOSPEL

Luke 6.17-26

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

17 He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon.

18 They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured.

19 And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

20 Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God

21 Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

22 Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man.
23 Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.
24 But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.
25 Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

26 Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.'

A Prayer for the week.

"Whoever drinks the water from this well will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water that I will give them will never be thirsty again." John 4: 13-14.

Too long have I worried about so many things, and yet my Lord, few are needed! May I today live more simply – like the bread. May I today see more clearly – like the water. May I today be more selfless – like the Christ.