

NEWS UPDATE—starting 26th October

Dear Friends, dates for your diaries:

SATURDAY 1st NOVEMBER

10:00-12:00 Coffee Morning in the Church Hall.

Thank you for donating books, bric a brac and jigsaws; these additional stalls are a good way of sharing/recycling pre-loved items. We are always grateful for raffle prizes and homemade cakes.

Please join us for coffee and a chat.

SUNDAY 2nd NOVEMBER

In addition to the morning services in Wem there will be an **All Souls' Service** at **16:00** when we can remember our loved ones who have departed this life. There is a NAMES sheet at the back of church.

SUNDAY 9th NOVEMBER

08:00 and 09:15 Holy Eucharist

10:55 Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial followed by Civic Service in Church

LEADING INTERCESSIONS

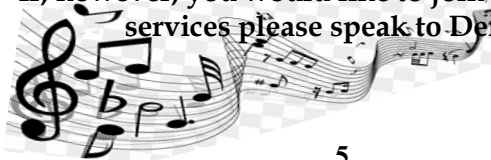
Having a variety of people to lead us in prayer during our services enriches our worship together. Unfortunately, the team has recently become very depleted. Help and support is at hand to get you started if you would like to serve in this way. It's not as hard as you might think!

Please contact Katharine Murray on 07812 905076 or k.m.murray50@gmail.com or after the service.

DO YOU LIKE SINGING?

If so, please join the choir on Thursday evenings to enjoy a good sing with no obligation to be in the choir for services.

If, however, you would like to join the choir for services please speak to Denise.



Services in the Benefice

Sunday 26th October—BIBLE SUNDAY

WEM	08:00	Holy Eucharist
	09:45	Holy Eucharist
	17:00	Praise and Prayer
WESTON	11:00	Holy Eucharist
LEE	11:15	Morning Prayer

Thursday 30th October

WEM	09:30	Holy Eucharist
	19:30	Choir Singing Practice

Sunday 2nd November—ALL SAINTS DAY

WEM	08:00	Holy Eucharist
	09:45	Holy Eucharist
	16:00	All Souls Service
WESTON	09:30	Morning Prayer
LEE	11:15	Holy Eucharist

Thursday 6th November

WEM	09:30	Holy Eucharist
	19:30	Choir Singing Practice



Come and join us for coffee and biscuits in the hall after the 9:45 service.

ALL WELCOME!

Sybil

Sybil Farmer, PCC Lay Chair
SS Peter & Paul's Church, Wem



For future services and events please go to our website <https://wemcofe.co.uk>

St Peter & St Paul's, Wem

BIBLE SUNDAY

(Last Sunday after Trinity)

Sunday 26th October 2025

THE COLLECT

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

1st READING: ISAIAH 45:22-end

²² Turn to me and be saved,
all the ends of the earth!
For I am God, and there is no other.

²³ By myself I have sworn,
from my mouth has gone forth in
righteousness

a word that shall not return:
'To me every knee shall bow,
every tongue shall swear.'

²⁴ Only in the Lord, it shall be said of me,
are righteousness and strength;

all who were incensed against him
shall come to him and be ashamed.
²⁵ In the Lord all the offspring of Israel
shall triumph and glory.

2nd READING: ROMANS 15:1-6

We who are strong ought to put up with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. ²Each of us must please our neighbour for the good purpose of building up the neighbour. ³For Christ did not please himself; but, as it is written, *'The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.'* ⁴For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 4:16-24

¹⁶ When Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ *'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me*

*to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to
the captives and recovery of sight to
the blind, to let the oppressed go free,
¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's
favour.'*

²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'
²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?'
²³ He said to them, 'Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Doctor, cure yourself!" And you will say, "Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum." ' ²⁴ And he said, 'Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's home town.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of all grace,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns,
now and for ever.

Prayer Diary For The Week Beginning Sunday 26th October 2025 BIBLE SUNDAY Last Sunday after Trinity

*I call on you, my God, for you will answer me;
turn your ear to me and hear my prayer.*

Psalms 17:6

Today

Let's lift our eyes to the Lord and seek his help in prayer. Pray for the Lord's blessing on the Praise and Prayer service taking place at 5pm.

Monday 27th October

Pray for our Rector, John, and all those who take responsibility in the Church, that they may have the inspiration and encouragement of the Holy Spirit.

Tuesday 28th October

Pray for the children and teachers on half term break that it may be a time of rest and refreshment. May the children be provided with positive activities.

Wednesday 29th October

Pray that God will send more help for the leadership of the Youth Club. Pray for a person or persons that will be good role model(s) for the young people.

Thursday 30th October

Pray for the Lord's blessing on the choir and the organist that they may they lead worship pleasing to Him.

Friday 31st October

Pray for a spiritual awakening among the young people of Wem and the surrounding villages. Pray that God will give them the urge to read their Bibles and that Jesus will be the hot topic for conversation.

Saturday 1st November

Pray for the Lord's blessing on the coffee morning taking place in the Church Hall this morning. May it be a time of building friendships.