

our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?’
¹¹Say to them, As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

2nd READING: ROMANS 13:8-end

⁸ Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, ‘You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet’; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, ‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’ ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹ Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; ¹³let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.



THE GOSPEL: MATTHEW 18:15-20

¹⁵ ‘If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.’

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.



Prayer Diary For Sunday 6th September 2026 14th SUNDAY after TRINITY

You will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

Jeremiah 29:12-13

Today

Pray for opportunities to talk about your faith in conversation with others. Pray that the Holy Spirit will enable you to speak clearly.

Monday—7th August

Pray for John, our Rector, and all the Church leaders that they may have good health, strength, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit for the work of the Church.

Tuesday—8th September

Pray for the wellbeing of school children and teachers as they begin a new school year.
Pray especially for those facing a big change in starting High School for the first time.

Wednesday—9th September

Pray for young people leaving school and starting University, College, apprenticeships or employment, that they may adjust to the changes well and flourish in their chosen direction.

Thursday—10th September

Pray for the lonely and isolated that they may be identified and befriended by Church members.

Friday—11th September

Give thanks to God for the rain that has fallen, and pray that in His mercy we shall have adequate rains to restore the pastures for the animals, replenish the reservoirs and fill the underground water supplies.

Saturday—12th September

Pray for the Lord’s blessing on the fundraising event at Church today through the Ride and Stride for the Shropshire Historic Churches Trust.

NEWS UPDATE—starting 6th September
Dear Friends, dates for your diaries:

THURSDAY 10th SEPTEMBER

19:30 Wem PCC meeting in the Church Hall

SATURDAY 12th SEPTEMBER

RIDE & STRIDE FOR SHROPSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

Whitchurch Road Cemetery Chapel and all Benefice churches are open for riders and striders from 10:00 -16:00. Please sponsor Helen Hornsby and Rob Haarhoff by signing their sponsorship forms in SS Peter and Paul's Church.

SATURDAY 26th SEPTEMBER

09:30-12:00 Coffee Morning in Wem Church Hall

Coffee after 09:45 Service

We enjoy coffee and a chat after the service so I would like to suggest that if you are not able to help serve coffee it would be appreciated if you could occasionally contribute a jar of coffee or some biscuits.

Damsons

My damson trees have a lot of fruit this year, so if you would like to come and 'pick your own' please contact me



Services in the Benefice

Sunday 6th September—TRINITY 14

WEM	08:00 09:45	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist
WESTON	09:30	Holy Eucharist
LEE	11:15	Holy Eucharist

Thursday 10th September

WEM	09:30	Holy Eucharist
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Sunday 13th September—TRINITY 15

WEM	08:00 09:45	Holy Eucharist Morning Prayer
WESTON	09:30	Holy Eucharist & Holy Baptism
LEE	11:15	Holy Eucharist

Thursday 17th September

WEM	09:30 19:30	Holy Eucharist Choir Singing Practice
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Come and join us for coffee and biscuits in the hall after the 9:45 service.

ALL WELCOME!



Sybil

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

To view our September Services & Events please go to our website: <https://wemcofe.co.uk>

St Peter & St Paul's, Wem
THE 14th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
Sunday 6th September 2026

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence:

give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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.

1st READING: EZEKIEL 33:7-11

⁷ So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸ If I say to the wicked, 'O wicked ones, you shall surely die', and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹ But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

¹⁰ Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: 'Our transgressions and