Christ The King 22ndNovember 2026

The Collect

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from The Prophet Ezekiel

(Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24)

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

PSALM 95: "O, that today you would listen to his voice. Harden not your heart."

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians *(Ephesians 1.15-23)*

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. *(Matthew 25.31-46)*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

Post Communion

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they plenteously bringing forth the fruit of the good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

HYMNS:

31 - Lo, he comes with clouds descending
380 - At the Name of Jesus (all verses, including *)
594 - The Lord's my Shepherd
37 - The Lord will come and not be slow
2 - Christ, whose Glory fills the skies

NOTICES

UPDATES ON OUR TIME IN INTERREGNUM

KEY HOLDERS: If you have your own key, and the church is locked when you arrive, please ensure you lock the front doors unless otherwise instructed.

PROBLEMS, WORRIES, COMPLAINTS: Charlotte and I are always here. Please talk to us and we will do everything we can to help with the problems.

GIVING MONTH……THERE IS A RED BOX AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH FOR YOUR DONATIONS: These funds will help to buy Tesco vouchers for school families who need a little help.

MARMALADE, sorry sold out at present: Starting 1st of December marmalade will only be available during coffee in the hall on the 1st Sunday of each month. Please when you come to buy have money with you. MM

EARNLEY CHRISTMAS DRAW
Great prizes include £100,
Manicure at Tranquility ,
Hair cut at Creations Chichester,
Meat voucher from Tom Hoare and vintage port. Tickets available from Pauline Norris 07748521183, Janet Aldridge and members of Earnley congregation.

CHRISTMAS FAIR: donations of bottles and quality gifts appreciated please.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL
List at the back of the church for those wishing to put a tree in church for the Tree Festival

BIBLE STUDY: RESUMES AGAIN ON JANUARY 11th 2027

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

ADVENT QUIET DAY
St Anne's **Saturday December 12th**. If you would like to attend, please contact Maureen (Marmalade) for details.
Email maureen.warwick1@btinternet.com or phone 01243 671 899

SOCIAL EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY
(more information later)
December 4th-6th: Christmas Tree Festival &Fair
December 12th – ADVENT QUIET DAY
2/3 PHOTOS OF EVENTS TO BARBARA

Services this Week

All services at St. Anne's unless otherwise stated

TUESDAY	**7.00 CANCELLED**
WEDNESDAY	**10.00am Said Eucharist**

Midweek services are held in the side chapel

Services Next Sunday

(First Sunday in the month 8.00am BCP)
29th November 2026 – Advent 1

8.00am	**Morning Prayer St. Anne's**
9.00am	**Eucharist Earnley**
10.15am	**Sung Eucharist St. Anne's**
Readings:	Isaiah 64: 1-9
	1 Corinthians 1: 3-9
	Mark 13: 24-37

Please send any notices for Pews News to
Barbara Blundell no later than WEDNESDAY EVENING.
Tel: 670791 or email barbs.blundell@btinternet.com).

The Parishes of Earnley with East Wittering and Almodington

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http://stanneseastwittering.org.uk/

We welcome all visitors to our churches.
All communicant members of Christ's church are warmly invited to receive the Sacraments. If you do not receive the sacraments then please come forward for God's Blessing.
(All services are at St. Anne's unless indicated)

22nd November 2026
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Before the service and after the second bell, talk to God through quiet prayer and silent devotion, bringing to the Lord those events of your past week, and after the service, then talk to your friends.

If you are a visitor to our church, making a donation in the collection, and you are a taxpayer, the PCC would be very grateful if you could put your donation in one of the envelopes available at the end of the pews, and sign the Gift Aid Declaration on the envelope. In this way, the Church can claim a further 25p for every £1 you give. Thank you.
PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO "E.W.P.C.C"

Services today

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8.00am	**Morning Prayer St.Anne's**
9.00am	**Eucharist Earnley**
10.15am	**Sung Eucharist St. Anne's**

4th SUNDAY of the month – Healing & Anointing

WE WELCOME FR. CHRIS FROM SIDLESHAM

Intercessions

***The sick and those who have asked of our prayers*:**
Fr. John, Judy Williams, Nick Carter, Lorraine Hall, Florence Sumakoloyl, Margaret Bate, Ava Kirby, Michael Pettman, Karen Grunert, Joan Whiteside, Greg Brooke, Bob West and members of our congregation who may be unwell today.

From our families and friends, we remember
Matthew Finch, **Dot** Finch**, Sherline** Smith**,**
Jules Pettitt, **Ben, Jess and family, Kelly** Saby,
Tula Hunt **and her family, Robin** Leney, **Lizi** Benjamin,
Ann & Jeff Parks, **Pat & John** Cox, **Barbara** Woodley,
Jon Hall, **Hamish** Ilton, **Rose, Simon** Gray,
Rod Willett, **Dee** Cooper, **Tina**. Also, all those in our local nursing homes & rest homes, the housebound, those who care for them, and all who have been recently bereaved

The Recently Departed
Anthony Martin, Sheila Robbins
Those whose years mind falls at this time
Molly Webb, Roberta Gardiner, Walter Gregory, Fr. Clifford Hankins