



# WELCOME TO ST CHAD LADYBARN

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"The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words."

Romans 8:26



## This morning's music

676 Stand up and bless the Lord  
 268 Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost  
 481 Lord thy word abideth  
 243 God is love: let heaven adore him  
 280 Hail to the Lord's anointed

## This morning's readings

**1 Kings 3.5-12** (Reader: Robert Nicholls);  
 Ps. 119.129-136; **Romans 8.26-39** (Reader  
 Jenny Black); **Matthew 13.31-33,44-52**  
 (Gospeller: Opal Walsh), Intercessor: Opal Walsh

## Prayer in the silence after communion

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Collect for Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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.

## Today's Eucharistic Prayer: G

## Post-Communion: 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

## Next Sunday, Eighth Sunday after Trinity, Proper 13

**Isaiah 55.1-5** (Reader: Leslie Fletcher); Ps. 145.8-9,15-22; **Romans 9.1-5** (Reader Laverne Ward);  
**Matthew 14.13-21** (Gospeller: Helen Reid), Intercessor: Helen Reid

## No midweek services until the end of August

## Looking ahead to September

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| Saturday 9 September      | 1.30noon – 4.00pm Heritage Open Day with stalls, displays and activities to interest visitors. Join in showing off our church by meeting and greeting, helping provide and serve refreshments ... |
| <i>Note changed times</i> |                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Sunday 17 September       | 2.30pm U3A choir concert. Free admission and refreshments by donation. Music from the shows and some opportunities to 'singalong'!                                                                |
| Sunday 24 September       | Harvest Festival                                                                                                                                                                                  |



## Church of England Ministry Experience Scheme

Mark has been asked by our diocese to be a supervisor for this scheme which enables young adults to explore what ministry in a parish entails as they try to discern their vocation. We'll be welcoming Lewis in September who will be worshipping and working with us until June. He'll be getting some experience of the range of things we do as a church, helping out with some activities once he's settled, getting a taste of "Fresh Expressions" in the deanery, and learning about the work of a priest. Lewis will hopefully join us on 17th September so do give him a warm welcome.

## More on the scheme from the Diocesan website:

"A great way to explore if God is calling you to ministry within the church is to gain some experience and specifically to get a better understanding of what it might involve to be ordained. This scheme will give you this and alongside this you will receive training to deepen your theological understanding, to strengthen your faith and character and you will also develop your leadership skills. You will also have key people to walk alongside you during this year and reflect with you on your experiences and what God is saying to you.

"Manchester is a fantastic place to live, work and minister. You will find great energy and diversity here and a Church of England Ministry Experience Scheme placement will give you a real insight into the privileges and challenges of ministering in a vibrant fast-changing urban environment."