

18th Sunday of Trinity

4th October 2026

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## ST BRANNOCK'S & ST ANNE'S Historic Church ~ Living Faith

**Website:** [brauntonparishchurch.org.uk](http://brauntonparishchurch.org.uk)

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Welcome St Brannock's church has a loop system. Set your hearing aid to the 'T' setting. Toilets are available in St Brannock's church through the large door on the left hand side of the church (looking towards the Altar). Accessible toilets are in St Brannock's Rooms. At St Anne's, the compost loo can be found outside to your right of the church.

*Children's activity bags are available
in both churches.*

TODAY

10.00am Holy Communion, St Brannock's
We welcome Preb Giles King-Smith
(No service at St Anne's)

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### Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October

10.00am. Morning Prayer – Church Led  
Coffee in the hall after the service.  
12.00pm Community Café South Street

### Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October

2.30 – 4.30pm Community Cafe  
Christ Church (opposite the Library)

### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October

4.30pm Choir Practice, St Brannock's

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NEXT SUNDAY 11th October

10.00am Holy Communion, St Brannock's.
We welcome Preb John Roles

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# Welcome

### OPENING HYMN No 205

Glorious things

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### READING Philippians 3:4b-14

I have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

**GRADUAL HYMN** No 181

For I'm building a people of power

**GOSPEL READING** Matthew 21:33-46

'Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance." So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes"? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.'

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

**OFFERTORY HYMN** No 456

My God is Thy table spread

**POST COMMUNION COLLECT**

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN** No 98

Christ is our corner stone



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Thank You, God Bless



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