



30th August 2026.

We extend a warm welcome to
Cathy Edge, and to all our
members, friends and visitors



For meditation: *Let our faith in you, O Lord, be ever stronger, our life with you ever deeper, our praying ever more awake to your glory, our hold on you ever firmer and our love for you ever increasing. William Bramwell, Methodist itinerant preacher(1759 -1818)*

NEWS AND VIEWS

Tomorrow brings the last Bank Holiday before Christmas! The week will also see the school in the village re-open for another year with a new headmaster and, of course, a new influx of youngsters starting their formal education. The week also has Nutting Day on Thursday – the day on which children would traditionally go to the local woods to gather hazelnuts. Before the calendar changed this day would have occurred later in the month – when the nuts would have been ripe. This day was also the one on which lace makers were allowed to light candles to aid their work – until Shrove Tuesday in the spring. A sign if we needed it that the days are shortening and autumn is on the way.

A PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Merciful God, you do not call us to do anything without giving us the strength and resources to cope. You do not ask us to go anywhere that you have not been before. We come to you knowing that your way is best. Be with us and help us to understand. And as our Summertime moves into Autumn, we give thanks to God for the Harvest.

We remember Rose, who died last Sunday morning, giving thanks for her life of faith and service. She rests now in the presence of her Lord and Saviour.

We are remembering the residents and staff (including Helen (their Chaplain) at MHA Walcot Court in our prayers this week..

LECTIONARY READINGS – 6th September

Exodus 12: 1 -14

Psalms 149

Romans 13: 8 -14

Matthew 18: 15 -20

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honour one another above ourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practise hospitality. Romans 12: 9 -13

DIARY

Sunday 30th August

Welcome service 6.30pm

for Rev Andrew Goodhead at **Walcot Chapel**- led by Rev Marcus Torchon

Thursday 3rd September

Café + Meal 9.30 –1.30pm

Meal served around 12 noon.

Sunday 6th September

Family Friendly service 4.00pm

led by Helen. The story of Rahab.

Lift us Lord - David Adam

Into the stormy sea
You descended and lifted Peter.

Into the storms of sickness
You descended and lifted Jairus's daughter

Into the storms of madness
You descended and lifted Legion.

Into the storms of death
You descended and lifted Lazarus.

Into the storms of hell
You descended and lifted us all.

Lift us Lord,
From darkness to light
From sickness to health
From distress to calm.

Lift us Lord,
From sadness to joy
From fear to faith
From loneliness to love.

Lift us Lord,
In mind and in spirit
In word and in deed
In body and soul.

