

16th August 2026

Eleventh Sunday After Trinity

Collect

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside all that prevents us
from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

Bible Readings

[Romans 11:1-2a, 29-35](#)

[Matthew 15:\[10-20\], 21-28](#)

What's On This Week

Sat 15 th Aug		9.30am	Frosterley Institute	Breakfast Church
Sun 16 th August	Trinity 11	10am	St John's Chapel	Eucharist
		10am	Stanhope-Hall	Eucharist
		2pm	Eastgate	Baptism
Mon 17 th Aug		9.30am	Stanhope-Hall	Morning Prayer
		6.00pm	Stanhope-Hall	Stanhope PCC
Wed 19 th Aug		10am	Stanhope-Hall	Eucharist
Thur 20 th Aug		9.30am	Stanhope-Hall	Morning Prayer
Sun 23 rd August	Trinity 12	10am	Cowshill	Eucharist
		10am	Stanhope-Hall	Eucharist

A full and up-to-date calendar of church events can be found on the [Benefice website](#).

For Your Prayers



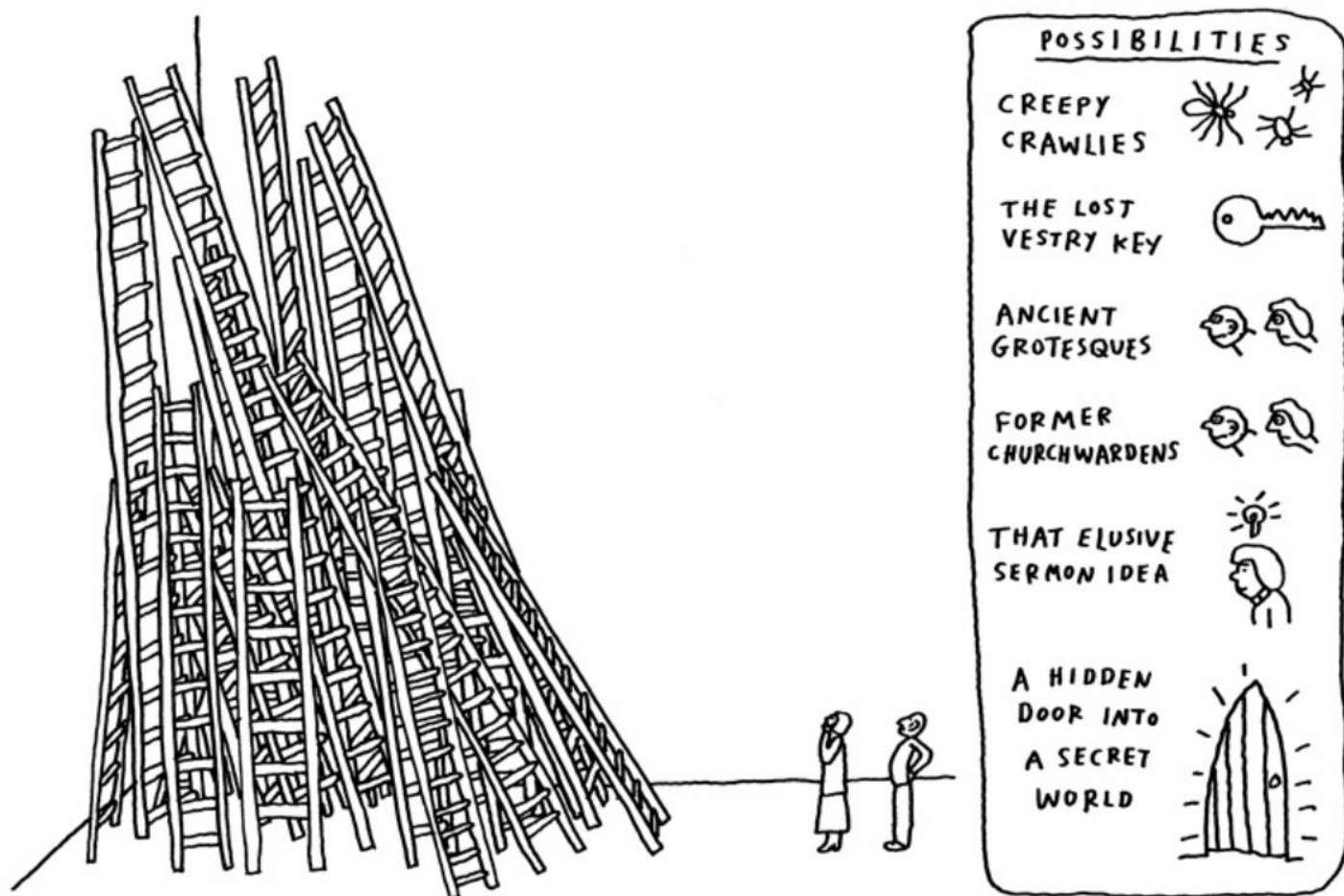
We keep in our prayers all in our community who are in any kind of need. Our prayers are asked particularly for Kathleen Kirby.

We pray for relief from the continuing drought and wildfires, for those enduring catastrophic floods in Japan, and for all those caught up in natural disasters and conflict throughout the world.

And finally...

THE LADDERS IN THE NORTH TRANSEPT

WHAT IS BEHIND THEM?



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General Information

To add any items of news to this newsletter please contact Sandie Barton at westweardalenews@gmail.com. Photos of church events etc. would be lovely (but do make sure any people in the photos have given their permission!)

The deadline is 3pm on Thursday for issue by email on Friday. Sandie is also happy to add people to the circulation list, on request.

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