



News Sheet for Sunday 16 August 2020 Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Greetings to you all, and I hope you are all staying well and coping in these difficult times.

I thank God for all the gifts he has given to so many people to enable our pattern of worship to continue during this difficult time. We have missed Mark while he has been away on his well-deserved holiday but this Sunday we can welcome him back, fully rested and ready for “normal service to be resumed”. There is a lot of hard work that goes into the preparation of our services both in St. Philip and St James and on-line and also the things that have to be done behind the scenes such as setting out the chairs ready for worship and sanitising both the chairs and the church afterwards. If you feel that you might be able to contribute in any way to our worship or to our community then please have a chat to Mark.

The service of Holy Communion in P&J this Sunday will be live-streamed on the parish FaceBook page. After Service Coffee –Sunday at 11am. Please use this link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5089713920> or join by phone using 01314 601196

Next week, there will be a service on Sunday 23 August in P&J which will be Livestreamed. If you would like to attend the service in person, please ring Mary Goodson (815103) by Friday. Attendance is not limited to those who cannot be online, but priority will be given to them if we are oversubscribed.

Elly will be working in the parish office on a part time basis. Please contact the office if you need anything, and Elly will endeavour to put you in touch with someone who can help.

Meanwhile, I hope all of you find refreshment and renewal in the weeks to come.

Mary

There will be a service this Sunday 16th August – do join us!

If you would like to attend the service in person, please ring Mary Goodson by Friday.

THIS WEEK

Sunday 16 August - 10.00am Morning Service from Ss Philip & James Church
livestreamed via our [Facebook page](#) and followed by
coffee at 11.00am via [Zoom Meeting ID: 5089713920](#), ☎ 0131 460 1196

Wednesday midweek service 19 August [Zoom Meeting ID: 5089713920](#),

No weekly reflections or Bible Study during August .

Next Sunday 23 August - 10.00am Morning Service in church and livestreamed, Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.

Ss Philip & James

**Church is now open for private, individual prayer on
Wednesdays from 10.00am to 3.00pm and Sundays 12 noon to 3.00pm.**

PRAYERS FOR SUNDAY 16 AUGUST - TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

TODAY'S COLLECT Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK . . .

Those in urgent need of our prayers including... Alona Beauchamp, Chris Butterfield, David Frost, Timothy Rayment and Isaac Smith.

Members of our extended church family in need of our continuing prayers... Angela, Steph, Gladys Barber, Melanie Brant, Marion Brown, Patricia Bull, Pearl (Frances) Draper, David and Yvonne Dunk, Jonathan Eddy, Joan Hall, Alan Harvey, Mark Hawes, Mollie Hayes, Dexter Heard, Sue Huddie, Garth Kellett, Bonnie Lewis, Duncan and Barbara Main, Roger Matcham, Gill Page, Matthew Parkes, John and Barbara Simson, Barry Taylor, Eileen Taylor, Erica Taylor, Malcolm Taylor, Jean Thomas, Tyler Thompson, John Tillyer and Molly Wilson.

Those who have died recently...

Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time... Jane Holbeche, Arthur Mearing, Janet Patchett, Monica Meirion-Jones, Florence Vincent, Cyril Holder, Grenville Hankin, Ian McGowan, Arthur Greenway, John Worthington and Christopher Kelleher.

PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 17 AUGUST 2020

Meditation: 'Let gratitude be the pillow upon which you kneel to say your nightly prayer' – Maya Angelou.

We give thanks for life and breath.

Please pray...

Mon - For victims of racism.

Tues - For our extended church family.

Wed - For the people of Rwanda

Thurs - (S. Bernard, abbot and teacher) For those suffering from motor neurone disease

Fri - For projects overseen by Christians together in Fleet – FACCTS, Fleet angels, Foodbank, Anna Chaplaincy and Living Stones.

Sat - For victims of exploitation.

Sun - For wisdom to make the right choices.

ALL WEEK - For those who live Russetts Drive, Rye Close, Ryeland Close, Rykmansford Rd, Saddleback Way and Sankey Lane.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Please note that items with headlines underlined are new this week.

FACE COVERINGS - should now be worn in church.

SERVICE IN CHURCH - Please ensure that you contact Mary Goodson (01252 815103) by Friday at the latest if you would like to attend the service in Ss Philip & James Church on Sunday - if there is no answer, please leave a message on the answerphone and Mary will get back to you.

DAILY HOPE - The Church of England has a free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers. Just call 0800 804 8044 at any time of the day or night for hope in this time of lockdown.

CHURCH ROAD PARKING PERMITS - You may be aware that the parking permits have expired. Details of how to obtain the new ones will be available in the news sheet when services return to FPCC.

STEP BY STEP EXTREME - sponsored challenge to sleep out on 9 October at Farnborough business park. See their website for details.

FLEET PHOENIX - are looking for prizes for a raffle. Contact charlotte.tickner@fleetphoenix.co.uk

CRISIS LINE - for children and young people in Hampshire. Freephone 0300 303 1590 and provides helpful apps also.

GIVING OPTION - You can now donate to Parish funds by scanning this QR code with any smart phone with a QR reader on it - it takes you directly to a web page where you can make a donation.



NOTES ON THE READINGS FOR SUNDAY 16 AUGUST

Genesis 45.1-15

Joseph, having been sold into slavery by his half brothers, is now the right-hand man ('father') of the Pharaoh. By planting false evidence in their baggage – thus implying theft – Joseph has summoned his brothers into his presence after tricking them into bringing with them Joseph's full brother, Benjamin.

Psalm 133

The psalm extols brotherly love when one gathers with others in a worshipping community.

Romans 11.1-2a & 29-32

In the preceding verses Paul has roundly condemned the Jewish people for rejecting Christ. However he continues by saying all is not lost as God's promises are made to all mankind.

Matthew 15.10-28

Matthew shows us, in this incident of the fraught mother, that Christ's message was initially to the Jews. We see in Mark's gospel that the woman is describes as Syrophoenician but Matthew, by using the archaic and more contentious word 'Canaanite', places her well outside Christ's mission on two counts, namely by being both an alien and a woman. But in reality, because of her faith, she is not excluded.

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