

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP, IT'S GREAT TO HAVE YOU WITH US.

Today we celebrate together the Feast of All Saints - a very special occasion for us, being the Patronal Festival of our Parish Church. In recent years these have been bittersweet affairs, worshipping as All Saints but without the building that is All Saints - this year however we might be a little hopeful that this might be our last All Saints Day as exiles - with the possibility that next year we might be able to celebrate All Saints Day IN All Saints!

That is for the future - for now we celebrate all that God has given us over the last year and recall that we are called to be ALL Saints – workers with Jesus in bringing the world to God.

We can be proud that we have managed for 6 years to be the Parish of All Saints (with St. Philip and St. James) despite all the difficulties and challenges we have faced.

Do join us for this very special celebration at this very significant time!

May God bless you all.

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THIS WEEK

The Coffee Bar at Fleet Parish Community Centre is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays, 10am-12pm.

Sunday 31 October - 10.00am Eucharist, Ss Philip & James Church, livestreamed via [Facebook](#)
11.30am Eucharist, Fleet Parish Community Centre

Wednesday 3 November - 9.30am Midweek Communion, Ss Philip & James Church and [Zoom: 5089713920](#)

Thursday 4 November - 2.00pm Bible Study via [Zoom ID: 5089713920](#)

Sunday 7 November - 10.00am Morning Worship, Ss Philip & James Church, **NOT LIVESTREAMED.**

Ss Philip & James Church is open for prayer Wednesdays 10.00am-1.30pm & Sundays 12noon-3.00pm.

PRAYERS FOR SUNDAY 31st OCTOBER - ALL SAINTS' DAY

TODAY'S COLLECT Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK . . .

Those in urgent need of our prayers including... Harry, Carol Beynon, Melanie Brant, Chris Butterfield, Angus Cairns, Phyllis McGowan, Carol Paton, Peter Rogers, Tyler Thompson, Lucy Tyler.

Members of our extended church family in need of our continuing prayers... Matthew Allen, Gladys Barber, Alona Beauchamp, Marion Brown, Dilys Denney, David & Yvonne Dunk, Joan Hall, Alan Harvey, Dexter Heard, Michael Heard, Tony Holbeche, Sue Huddie, Garth Kellett, Bonnie Lewis, Sheila O'Connor, Gill Page, Matthew Parkes, John & Barbara Simson, Ken & Dee Stephenson, Eileen Taylor, Erica Taylor, Jean Thomas, John Tillyer and Molly Wilson.

Those who have died recently... Martin Hooper, Anna McNeill.

Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time... Samantha Dickson, Betty Taylor, John Stocks, Rose Taylor, Len Waller, Margaret Badham, Richard Ludlow, Millicent Ponting, Lucy Vickery, John Russell.

PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 1st NOVEMBER

Meditation 'As I walked out the door toward the gate that would lead to freedom, I knew that if I didn't leave my bitterness and hatred behind I would still be in prison.' *Nelson Mandela*

We give thanks for those who have given their lives to the service of others.

Please pray...

Mon - For those remembering departed loved ones today.

Tues - For the fire service and other emergency services.

Wed - For the government and people of Singapore.

Thurs - The homeless, and those who work to get them a better life.

Fri - For those we dislike and those we disagree with.

Sat - For integrity, tolerance and cooperation in politics and public life.

Sun - For those who live with constant pain.

ALL WEEK - Those who live in Velmead Close, Velmead Road, Victoria Road, Victoria Hill Road, Waleron Road, Walton Close.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

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

SEWING FOR ALL SAINTS - Lovers of sewing, we have need of you. After the fire in All Saints we rescued some of the textiles. As church rebuilding starts we wish to re-use all we can. If you would like to help by making simple repairs, or re-embroidering, or making new items, please ring Jenny Thorne, 01252 617108, for more details .

COFFEE AFTER SERVICES @ P&J - We hope to serve coffee after each 10.00am service at P&J in November. If you're not already on the rota and would like to help please contact Jane Jones (cjanejones@gmail.com).

YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL NEEDS YOU - The Christmas Tree Festival takes place over the weekend of 3 to 5 December. As always, we will be needing your help as we once again welcome our community through our doors and hopefully online too. You will find sign up sheets showing all areas needing help on the notice boards in Ss Philip & James and in the Parish Centre from Wednesday 3 November. You can sign up for just one hour or the whole day! If you would like more information please ring Karen Kite (01252 613251).

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.



NEXT SUNDAY 7th November - PLEASE NOTE The 10am Service at P&J will NOT be Communion and will not be live streamed. This is because the Vicar will be on retreat. There will not be a service at FPCC on this day.

THE PARISH MAGAZINE for November is now available. If you would like to access it online, please use this link bit.ly/fleetmagnov

ANNA MCNEILL a faithful member of our All Saints congregation sadly passed away this week. Our prayers are very much with Nigel, Mary and Fiona. A funeral service for Anna will be held at P&J on Monday 8th November at 3pm. All are welcome to attend.

NOTES ON THE READINGS FOR SUNDAY 31st OCTOBER

[Isaiah 25.6-9](#)

This passage looks forward to the end of time but also pre-echoes Christ's parable of a king's banquet to which none of the invited guests chose to come.

[Revelation 21.1-6](#)

Written whilst incarcerated on the island of Patmos St. John (The Divine) describes a more glorious future using graphic imagery - the sea, as a source of evil, being banished – an idealised new city appearing from heaven – the mystic marriage of Christ and His church – clear, fresh water symbolising the Holy Spirit.

[John 11.32-44](#)

Just before this passage we are told that Martha had gone on ahead to meet Jesus at Lazarus' tomb. Jesus acknowledged Martha's greeting with 'I am the resurrection and the life'. By this He showed that He exists outside time. The events which followed confirmed this.

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