



Parish of Fleet
All Saints
St Philip & St James

News Sheet for
14 September – Trinity 13

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



Welcome in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to our worship today. It is a great joy to have you with us as we worship God together. If you are with us for the first time, please do make yourself known to us after the service. We welcome in the name of our Lord all who wish to worship with us, regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, sexuality or gender orientation. We rejoice in the fact that we are a very diverse Christian community and see this as our calling under Christ. We work hard in this parish to ensure the safety and safeguarding of all who join us for worship, if you have any concerns in this area, please do let us know immediately. If you have any special needs or would like to speak to a pastoral minister or have someone pray with you, please mention it to a welcomer or member of the ministry team.

There will also be coffee with fellowship available after the service, please do join us for this - you will receive a warm welcome there too.

Our readings today remind us of the central place that the cross holds in our faith. For some Christians the cross is a barrier, a symbol of division by which we can tell who is 'one of us' I prefer to see the cross as the place where Jesus broke down all boundaries and barriers, defeated evil, broke the power of death, and made it possible for all humanity to come together as one in his eternal kingdom. Jesus said of the cross 'When I am lifted up from the cross, I will draw all people to myself.' (John 12:32). There can be no greater symbol of the unity of all humanity, than the cross of Jesus.

May God bless you all,

Mark

THIS WEEK

The Coffee Bar is open on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 10.00am-12.00pm

Sunday 14 Sept

ALL SAINTS CHURCH: 10.00am Café Church, FPCC

Ss PHILIP & JAMES: 10.00am Parish Eucharist
6.30pm Choral Evensong

Tuesday 16 Sept

11.00am Prayer Group, All Saints Church

Wednesday 17 Sept

9.30am Holy Communion Service, Ss Philip & James Church

10.00am-12.00pm Baby Saints, FPCC

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Saturday 20 Sept

Sunday 21 Sept

ALL SAINTS CHURCH: 8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Eucharist (Celebrating Creationtide)

Ss PHILIP & JAMES: No Service

SUNDAY SERVICE SLIDES

If you would like to access the slides for this Sunday's service, you can do so on your smartphone or tablet by pointing your camera at this QR code or by clicking on this QR code.



READINGS FOR 14 SEPTEMBER

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-10

TODAY'S COLLECT: Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER: God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Those in urgent need of our prayers including: Anne Amos, Ethan, Diana Handford, Michael Heard, Sylvia Honiwell, Janice Jose, Graham Kitts, Tyler Thompson, Victoria Willis.

PLEASE NOTE – THIS LIST IS FOR USE IN PRIVATE PRAYER AND IS NOT TO BE INCLUDED IN INTERCESSIONS IN PUBLIC WORSHIP

Members of our extended church family in need of our continuing prayers: Annegret, Matthew Allen, Gladys Barber, Alan Beckett, Marion Brown, Martine Dyer, Diana, Harvey, Joan Hall, Dexter Heard, Jack, Jonah, Bonnie Lewis, Gill Page, Phillip, Peter Rogers, Anne Richardson, John Simson, Violet Slade, Dee Stephenson, Michael Standen, Eileen Taylor, Erica Taylor, Clare and family, Karen W, Barbara Willis.

Those who have died recently: Barbara Wheeler

Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time: John Goddard, Basil Thorne, Marcus Griggs, Leslie Mason, Leonard Dicker, Gertrude Marchant, Betty Dunda, Clifford Goddard, Jeannette Cairns, Evelyn Griffith, Jean Burke, Major General Patrick Kay, Tony Holbeche

PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 15 SEPTEMBER

Meditation: - 'It is great to be faced with the impossible, for nothing is impossible if one is meant to do it. Wisdom will be given, and strength. When the Lord leads, He always strengthens.' — Amy Carmichael.

We give thanks for ... the wonders of technology, and for those whose innovation has changed the world for the better.

Please pray....

- Mon** - for our Parochial Church Council, meeting today.
- Tues** - for the appointment of a Children and families worker, and for all involved in our ministry to children
- Wed** - for peace with justice in Gaza, Israel, Ukraine and Russia.
- Thur** - for those who are struggling with issues of gender identity and human sexuality, whatever their perspective.
- Fri** - for those who do jobs that we would not want to do ourselves. Lord we are thankful for them, help us to find ways to show our gratitude.
- Sat** - for those suffering with degenerative diseases.
- Sun** - for a true appreciation of the glory and beauty of God's world, and for all to treat it with care and responsibility.
- ALL WEEK** for those who live in St. Nicholas Close, St. Swithuns Rd, Stanton Drive, Station Approach, Stephyns Drive, Stockbridge Rd.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS - This week the Parish Office will be open 10am-12pm Monday to Friday.

EMERGENCY COLLECTION: There will be a Christian Aid collection on Sunday for the Afghanistan Earthquake.

SAVE THE DATE - Family Activity Afternoon, from Tree to Tea, Saturday 18 October 2-4 pm, FPCC, craft, games, story and tea. Helpers needed for craft tables and tea. Offers of help welcome - see Mark, Jane or Claire.

BABY SAINTS - Baby Saints meets every Wednesday term time at FPCC, 10.00am-12.00pm. If you have or care for preschool children we'd love to see you.

GILBERT & SULLIVAN'S PATIENCE TICKETS - Are still available for 7.30 pm performance of this comic opera on Sat 13 Sept at P&J. £17.50 in advance or £20 on the door from anne.smith33@btinternet.com/01252 624172.

The dress rehearsal starts at 2.30pm and you can watch it for £5 - just turn up. All proceeds to Parish funds.



CONFIRMATION - There will be a confirmation service at All Saints Church on All Saints Sunday (2 November) at 6.30pm. We would be delighted to present for confirmation any adults or children 11+ who...

- 1) Regularly come to church (any of our Sunday or Weekday services) and are prepared to commit to doing so in the future.
 - 2) Are able to attend six preparation sessions on Saturday Mornings between 10 and 11 am on 20 September, 27th September, 4th October, 11th October, 18th October and 25th October.
 - 3) Are able to attend the Confirmation itself on 2 November.
 - 4) Want to make their full commitment to Jesus and be formally admitted to communion in his church.
- Please speak to Mark, Jane, Claire or Dick if you would like to be involved in this.

KNITTED ANGELS - The year is flying by, isn't it!! Time to think about the fluttering of knitted angels in Fleet, in December! We need more than 1000 so I hope you knitters have your needles on standby! Bag of wool, patterns (both knitting and crochet in P&J Foyer and also in FPCC foyer. So please help yourselves.

It would be helpful to have any finished angels before the end of November, but later is also ok as we don't distribute them until mid/late December. Thank you, they are very special to lots of people in Fleet and bring much comfort, especially for those who find Christmas difficult. Sue Butterfield 07876640452.

REV RICHARD COLES AT GUILDFORD BOOK FESTIVAL – 30 September at Guildford Baptist Church. For tickets go to: Guildfordbookfestival.co.uk

HART FOODBANK DONATIONS - Thank you for your gifts to the Foodbank. This week there is an urgent need for savoury biscuits, flavoured rice – packets, fruit squash, fruit juice, sponge puddings, toilet rolls. Currently we do **not** need any water, sugar, flour or cereals. Items can be left in the Foodbank containers in the narthex at Ss Philip & James Church and in FPCC. Thank you, as always, for your donations to the foodbank, they are all very much appreciated.

STEP BY STEP - Please leave your donations to Step by Step in the collection boxes, for P&J in the Narthex and in the Coffee Bar at All Saints. They welcome donations of the following items: toothbrushes, toothpaste, shower gels and creams, soap, shampoo and conditioners. No bath products please as the centre only has showers.

PRAYER BOARD AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH - What would you like us to pray for? Please write down your prayer requests and the prayer group will check it weekly before their Tuesday prayer meetings. Alternatively, you may use this link <https://wpapp.parishoffleet.org.uk/tuesday-prayer-group/> to send your prayer requests via the website.

STAMPS - Thank you for all your support with used stamps. Please do continue to drop off your used stamps into the bag on the notice board at FPCC.

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



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