

News Sheet for 7 September – Trinity 12

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 that though our faith brings us much joy, fellowship and comfort, it is also a serious business! Somewhere along the line our faith will require a lot of us, time, commitment, sacrifice. God is not like many politicians, influencers or advertisers he will not con us into sharing our lives with him. He wants us to go into it with our eyes open, prepared to face the consequences of choosing him. We can trust him because he is honest with us. Faith will be costly, but it will be worth it!

May God bless you all,

Mark

THIS WEEK

The Coffee Bar is open on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 10.00am-12.00pm Sunday 7 Sept

Ss PHILIP & JAMES: 8.00am BCP Holy Communion

ALL SAINTS CHURCH: 10.00am Parish Eucharist with Godly Play

Tuesday 9 Sept 11.00am Prayer Group, All Saints Church

Wednesday 10 Sept Please note: No Holy Communion Service at Ss Philip &

James Church

10.00am-12.00pm Baby Saints, FPCC

10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors 10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors

Saturday 13 Sept 10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors

10.00am - 1200pm Ride & Stride, All Saints Church & FPCC

Sunday 14 Sept

ALL SAINTS CHURCH: 10.00am Café Church, FPCC
Ss PHILIP & JAMES: 10.00am Parish Eucharist
6.30pm Choral Evensong

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 7 SEPTEMBER

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Philemon 1:1-21

Luke 14:25-33

TODAY'S COLLECT: God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER: God of all mercy, in this Eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of 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, Barbara Wheeler.

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, Cynthia Fowler, 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: Shirley Pennell, Cynthia Tigwell

Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time: Ellen Armstrong Reginald Brooks, Elizabeth Barfield, Sara Vincent, Marjorie Leese, Rose Weare, Sydney Wallace

PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 8 SEPTEMBER

Meditation: - 'When a great moment knocks on the door of your life, it is often no louder than the beating of your heart, and it is very easy to miss it.' — Boris Pasternak.

We give thanks for ... the beauty, fruitfulness and diversity of the natural world.

Please pray....

- **Mon** for those working to promote the care of our environment.
- **Tues** for all who are in pain today, for whatever reason. May the cross of Christ strengthen them and reassure them that better times always lie ahead.
- **Wed** for all persecuted Christians around the world.
- **Thur** for all asylum seekers and refugees, and for those who work for their care and wellbeing.
- **Fri** for those who campaign for gender equality in our world today. Also, for women who suffer abuse of all kinds and those who support them. For our nearest women's refuge.
- **Sat** for all musicians and singers, especially those performing 'Patience' in our parish today.
- **Sun** for the people of Haiti.
- **ALL WEEK** for those who live in St. Nicholas Close, St. Swithuns Rd, Stanton Drive, Station Approach, Stephens 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.

<u>SHIRLEY PENNELL'S FUNERAL SERVICE</u> - After the service to be held at Redan Chapel on Thursday 11 September at 12.00pm, we will be holding a wake at The Windmill pub, Church Lane, Ewshot GU10 5BJ, where family and friends will be able to raise a toast to Shirley and share fond memories.

In lieu of flowers, we are asking people to consider a donation to one of the charities listed below, both of which were causes close to our mother's heart.

The Brooke Animal Hospital: http://www.thebrooke.org

Prostate Cancer UK: https://prostatecanceruk.org/

If people could advise me if they will be attending it would help to provide an idea on numbers to expect. Richard Pennell

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.

RIDE & STRIDE FOR THE HERITAGE OF CHURCHES – On Saturday 13 September All Saints will be participating in this charity event run by the Hampshire & Islands Historic Churches Trust. Come and visit All Saints Church, coffee bar will be open 10am-12pm, donations welcome and all money taken on that morning will also be donated to the event. Enjoy Graham Hix playing light piano music in the church between 10.3am and 11.15am. Please do come along to support this event and bring your friends with you too.

<u>BABY SAINTS</u> – 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 - Will be performed in P&J Church on Saturday 13 Sept at 7.30pm in aid of Parish Funds. Tickets are £17.50 in advance and £20 on the door from anne.smith33@btinternet.com/01252 624171 or online using this QR code.

<u>CONFIRMATION</u> - 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.

<u>PARISH MAG DISTRIBUTOR WANTED</u> - For 1 magazine in Bourley Grange, Church Crookham. Please contact Heather Turner, 07740 950456, <u>hdjturner@ntlworld.com</u>. Thank you.

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.

<u>HART FOODBANK DONATIONS</u> - Thank you for your gifts to the Foodbank. This week there is an urgent need for packet flavoured rice, fruit squash – bottles, mashed potato – packets, nappies - 5,6,7, jellies and packet desserts, baby wipes. Currently we do <u>not</u> 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.

<u>STEP BY STEP</u> - 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.

<u>STAMPS</u> - 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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