



## News Sheet for Sunday 28 July Ninth Sunday after Trinity

### 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.

Two years ago, the PCC and I working together with a team from the Diocese came up with a 'Parish Development Plan' setting our priorities as we saw them at that time. The goals we set ourselves then were

- 1) To renew our worship programme in order to enable a wider range of people to join us in worship and to make better use of our resources across the Parish.
- 2) To encourage more people to become involved in ministry at all levels.
- 3) To make the best use of the opportunities presented by the reopening of All Saints Church
- 4) To appoint a Children's and families' worker.

Looking back over the last two years, I believe we have done well on the first three goals. Sadly, though we did try, we failed to appoint a families' worker. We have however worked hard to develop our work in that area through Baby Saints, Godly Play, and now Pizza and Praise.

We are now about to embark upon this process again. This time the diocese are asking us to focus on the goal of building up the 'Core' of our church (Those who worship regularly, are confident in their faith, and are able to express their faith in word and action out in the wider community.)The aim would be to raise up more people who could be described this way.

I am therefore asking your thoughts on the following questions:

- 1) What could we do or change in order to equip more people from our congregations to be active and visible Christians in their daily lives?
- 2) What might we be doing now that might be preventing this from happening?

I would be really grateful for your thoughts and ideas on this. Please email me at [vicar@parishoffleet.org.uk](mailto:vicar@parishoffleet.org.uk). or speak to me after a service or whenever you next see me. I would also be grateful if home groups and other gatherings within the life of the church would have a conversation about this.

May God bless you all,

Mark

## SUNDAY SERVICE SLIDES

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



### THIS WEEK

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

#### Sunday 28 Jul

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH:** No service  
12.00pm Baptism Service

**Ss PHILIP & JAMES** 10.00am Parish Eucharist

#### Tuesday 30 Jul

11.00am Prayer Group, FPCC

#### Wednesday 31 Jul

9.30am Communion Service, Ss Philip & James Church

10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors

#### Saturday 3 Aug

10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors

#### Sunday 4 Aug

**Ss PHILIP & JAMES** 8.00am BCP Holy Communion  
10.00am No Service

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH:** 10.00am Parish Eucharist

**Ss Philip & James Church is open for prayer**

**Wednesdays 11.00am-1.30pm & Sundays 12noon-3.00pm.**

### READINGS FOR SUNDAY 28 JULY

[2 Samuel 11:1-15](#)

[Ephesians 3:14-end](#)

[John 6:1-21](#)

**TODAY'S COLLECT:** Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER:** Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Those in urgent need of our prayers including:** Jack, Noel Parker-Ashley, Alan Brown, Jean Belgrove, Marcia Farrey, Sylvia Honiwell, Margaret, Carol Paton, Tyler Thompson, Barbara Willis, Zoe

**Members of our extended church family in need of our continuing prayers:**

Matthew Allen, Gladys Barber, Marion Brown, Karen Kite and family, Anne Marie Hudson, Diana, Leo Goodson, Joan Hall, Dexter Heard, Michael Heard, Judy Kellett, Giorgia Laughton, Bonnie Lewis, Gill Page, Phillip, Claire Pamment, Peter Rogers, John Simson, Violet Slade, Michael Standen, Eileen Taylor, Erica Taylor, Clare and family

**Those who have died recently:** Patricia Henry

**Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time:**

Roy Riddle, Tom Pearce, Joan Meeres, Gladys Anderson, Edward Hartley, Richard Woods, Bobby Slater, Celia Davis, Barbara Palmer

## PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 29 JULY

**Meditation:** - 'Be not angry that you cannot make others as you wish them to be, since you cannot make yourself as you wish to be' Thomas a Kempis

**We give thanks for ...** those who transport the things we need from all over the world to our homes.

**Please pray....**

- Mon** - those who are travelling, and those who work in the transport or travel industry.
- Tues** - (S. Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Jesuit order) for those who guide and inspire us in our prayer life.
- Wed** - (S. Alphonsus Liguori – Bishop, Moral Theologian) for all with difficult decisions to make.
- Thur** - for those who work in the ambulance service.
- Fri** - for the government and people of the Ukraine.
- Sat** - for all who suffer from spinal injuries or diseases.
- Sun** - that we may see Christ – in our world, in one another, in ourselves.
- ALL WEEK** for those who live on Ramsdell Rd, Ravelin Close, Reading Rd North, Reading Rd South, Regent Close, Regent St

## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

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

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS** - The Parish Office will be open 10am-12pm **Monday, Wednesday & Friday**, this week.

**NEW PARKING PERMITS FOR CHURCH ROAD CAR PARK** - The new parking permits for July 2024-June 2025 have arrived. Please collect permits from the church office during office hours.

**PARISH TEA** - At the Vicarage (Branksomewood Rd) on Wednesday 14 August 2 - 4 pm. £5 per person (under 12s - free) Pay on the door. Please bring your own picnic chair if you are able to. This will revert to FPCC in the case of wet weather.

In connection with the above, we need some volunteers to transport tables and chairs from FPCC to the Vicarage on that day - **PLEASE LET MARK KNOW IF YOU CAN HELP.**

Donations of Raffle prizes would be appreciated. A box at both churches will be available for this purpose.

**TUESDAY PRAYER GROUP** - Will not be meeting during the month of August but will resume on 3 September. However, you are most welcome to please leave your prayer requests on the prayer board in All Saints Church and the prayer team will continue to collect them weekly.

**BABY SAINTS** - Will resume meeting every Wednesday morning at FPCC, 10.30 - 11.30am on 4<sup>th</sup> September. If you have or care for preschool children we'd love to see you.

**HART FOODBANK DONATIONS** - Thank you for your gifts to the Foodbank. This week there is an urgent need for long-life milk, tinned fruit, tinned veg, fruit juice, fruit flavoured squash, jams/preserves and marmalade, tinned fish, "Extras" - Marmite/peanut butter, tinned fish, tinned potatoes, jelly/other deserts. Currently we do not need any pasta or water. 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. Please could you also drop off any carrier bags that you no longer need, to help us transfer the items to the Foodbank.

**THE GONDOLIERS** - The next Parish Gilbert and Sullivan production in aid of the All Saints Fund is on Saturday 14 Sept at 7.30 pm at Ss Philip and James Church. Tickets £17.50 in advance or £20 on the door from [anne.smith33@btinternet.com](mailto:anne.smith33@btinternet.com) or 01252 624171 or online.



**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.

**STEP BY STEP** – Donations box in the narthex at P&J and in FPCC. Donations of the following items welcome: toothbrushes, toothpaste, shower gel/cream, soap, shampoo/conditioner. No bath products please. Thank you.

**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 - it takes you directly to a web page where you can make your donation.



## **PARISH CONTACTS**

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