



Parish of Fleet
All Saints
St Philip & St James



News Sheet for 17 August – Trinity 9

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 whatever we face we do not face it alone. We stand in a long tradition of people of faith who have faced trials, stayed faithful, and triumphed over adversity, by one means or another. Our faith is in a God who is not distant but here with us 'in the fire', and who will see us safely through. We are encouraged simply to stay faithful to God who is always faithful to us!

May God bless you all,

Mark

THIS WEEK

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

Sunday 17 Aug

ALL SAINTS CHURCH: 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Eucharist

Ss PHILIP & JAMES: No Service

Wednesday 20 Aug

9.30am Holy Communion Service, Ss Philip & James Church
10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors

Saturday 23 Aug

10.00am-12.00pm All Saints Church open to visitors

Sunday 24 Aug

Ss PHILIP & JAMES: 10.00am Parish Eucharist

ALL SAINTS CHURCH: 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 17 AUGUST

[Isaiah 5:1-7](#)

[Hebrews 11:29-12:2](#)

[Luke 12:49-56](#)

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: Anne Amos, Ethan, Jonah, 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, Jack, Cynthia Fowler, Diana, Harvey, Joan Hall, Dexter Heard, 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: Jean Belgrove, Shirley Pennell

Those from our two memorial books whose anniversaries fall at this time: Janet Patchett, Bill Gordon, Charles Duke, Monica Meirion-Jones, Florence Vincent, Joan Burford, Peter Vincent, Cyril Holder, Grenville Hankin, Ian McGowan, Mavis Meachen, Arthur Greenway, John Worthington, Christopher Kelleher, Jean Tasker Henderson Phillips, Agnes Powell, Maurice Holmes

PRAYER DIARY FOR WEEK BEGINNING 18 AUGUST

Meditation: - 'Acquire the habit of speaking to God as if you were alone with him, familiarly and with confidence and love, as to the dearest and most loving of friends.' - S. Alphonsus Ligouri

We give thanks for ... times of rest and recreation.

Please pray....

- Mon** - that all the world might celebrate our difference and diversity. That the Lord may heal those things within us that make it difficult for us to do so.
- Tues** - for the business community of our town. That all may flourish for the good of us all.
- Wed** - for those suffering from the effects of stroke.
- Thur** - for the people of Afghanistan, that all may have life and liberty and be able to flourish regardless of age, gender or faith.
- Fri** - for children changing schools or starting school for the first time. That this may be an exciting and enriching time rather than one of fear and anxiety.
- Sat** - for victims of domestic violence.
- Sun** - for courage and faith to take up our cross and follow Jesus, knowing that all of our crosses will be turned to resurrection.
- ALL WEEK** for those who live in Sheldons Way, Sheepmoor Drive, Shelley Close, Shetland Way, Shire Ave, Silchester Drive.

A PRAYER FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WORKER

Almighty God, your son Jesus commanded his disciples to bring children to him and do nothing to stand in their way. We pray for your blessing upon our ministry to children and families, and we pray that you will send us someone with a heart for this ministry and the skills to ensure its flourishing. We know that you have already chosen and called such a person, we pray that we may have the wisdom to seek them out and to recognise you at work in them. We entrust this task to your mercy and grace, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

VACANCY - CHILDREN AND FAMILIES' WORKER – PARISH OF FLEET. HAMPSHIRE (Church of England)

Part time – 15 Hours per week

Salary £14 per hour - c£11,000 p.a.

Monday to Friday (Occasional Saturday)

The Parish of Fleet would like to appoint a Children and Families worker to oversee and support existing activities and lead new initiatives in accordance with the Parish Development Plan. This is an exciting opportunity for the right person to join a lively and friendly ministry team in a time of significant church growth.

Working hours will be flexible but the applicant will need to be able to attend existing weekday family activities, and occasional Saturday events.

There will be opportunity for further training in children's and families work through the Diocese of Guildford.

Given the nature and context of the work it is an occupational requirement that the post holder should be a Baptised Christian and able to promote and uphold the beliefs and values of the Church of England.

Contract: 3 years contract with possibility of extension.

Deadline for applications: 31st August 2025

An appointment will be made in accordance with safe recruiting practices and will be subject to a full enhanced DBS check and appropriate safeguarding training.

For a recruitment pack, or for more details about the post please contact:

office@Parishoffleet.org.uk 01252 812114

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.

GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL EVENTS - Sat 23 August, 6.30 and 9.30 pm: 80s Silent disco, Wed 27 August, 10am: Messy Cathedral (free event), craft, games, story, refreshments. To register or find out more about these events, please visit: www.guildford-cathedral.org/events/boxoffice.

PILGRIMAGE TO VIBORG DENMARK - A pilgrimage around the West coast of Denmark which will be a mix of walking, visiting sites, sharing, worshipping and experiencing church life and culture together. It will take place between Mon 22 – Fri 26 September 2025. For more information, please see Jane Jones.

JEAN BELGROVE'S CELEBRATION OF LIFE- Will be at 12 noon on Fri 5 September, at St Matthias Church, 360c Ditchling Rd, Brighton BN1 6JG, followed by food and drinks. Please contact Mark Belgrove if you wish to attend mark.belgrove@gmail.com.

TONY ANDREWS - Many of you will remember Tony who was with us for Lent this year as part of his training and discernment process for ordination. We are delighted that it has now been confirmed that Tony will be ordained Deacon in the cathedral on 28 September. Please pray for Tony and Claire and for their future ministry in Cove Parish.

SHIRLEY PENNELL - We are sad to report that Shirley sadly passed away this week. Shirley was a faithful member of our P&J congregation and for many years served as sacristan. She will be sadly missed. We send our condolences to her family and hold them and her in our prayers as we commend her to God.

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.

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! I have put bags of wool, patterns (both knitting and crochet), and needles in bags 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.

COFFEE BAR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Could you spare 3 hours once a month to help in the Coffee Bar. We are looking for more people to volunteer just a very small amount of time just once a month to help serve hot drinks and delicious cakes to our customers. Our Coffee Bar is a wonderful meeting place for both parishioners and local community. It provides important outreach for the parish. Please contact either Elizabeth on 07801479178 or Ruth on 01252 614846.

HART FOODBANK DONATIONS - Thank you for your gifts to the Foodbank. This week there is an urgent need for Longlife carton milk (**not** skimmed please), tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, fruit juice, biscuits, ketchup/brown sauces/condiments. 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.

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.



PRAYER GROUP/PRAYER BOARD AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH - Will not meet in August, will resume on 2 September. Please do write down your prayer requests and the prayer group will check it weekly. Alternatively, you may use this link <https://wpapp.parishoffleet.org.uk/tuesday-prayer-group/> to send your prayer requests via the website.

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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