

Sunday 27th July 2025

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 a.m. Church Family Communion

4.00 p.m. Tea Time Church

Collect for Today

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Service Readings

Genesis 18:20-32 (*p.14*), Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19) (*p.198*) and Luke 11:1-13 (*p.69*)

Please pray for

... Anne Bradbeer, Andrea Fairbairn, Sylvia Holdsworth, Mark Knott, Becki & Jonathan Salmon and Timothy Rayner (Julie Shaw's brother).

... the family and friends of Nick Farbridge whose anniversary of death is at this time.

... those who live and work in Farm Walk, Farnham Road and Friars Gate.

... the Koens family in Papua New Guinea supporting the work of Bible translation through vehicle maintenance, teaching, missionary care.

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Financial Giving

We take a collection during our services. If you don't give regularly by standing order or the envelope scheme, please put your donation in the bag, tap the card reader on your way out, or use the QR code on the back of this news-sheet. Thank you.

Dear Friends

If you were one of Jesus' first disciples, what would you ask him?

"What was it like, in the beginning?"

"Did you keep that gold, frankincense and myrrh?"

"Does heaven have sofas or is it all chairs?"

(...It's probably a good job I wasn't one of the first disciples...)

"Lord, teach us to pray," asks a disciple in today's reading. And Jesus answers, with a portion of the Lord's prayer and the encouragement to ask, search and knock on that door.

In other words, faith is an active thing. Believing in God isn't just a one-time decision, but a lifelong relationship. And like all relationships, conversation keeps it alive.

Prayer is that conversation - and if we ask God, he listens. If we search, we'll find. If we knock on a door, it'll be answered and opened.

What's on our hearts today, that we'd like to ask God about, or ask for help with, or ask for an answer to?

Perhaps we could begin with the request of that disciple in today's reading, and simply ask: "Lord, teach me to pray."

Blessings on you this week.

Paul Young

Mission Focus for July: A Rocha International

A Rocha is a global family of conservation organisations working together to live out God's calling to care for creation and equip others to do likewise. They are helping communities in many parts of the world to tackle the effects of climate change on their environments, and to reduce pollution and destruction of natural habitats from industrialisation among many other projects. At All Saints we have gained the Gold Eco Church award from A Rocha UK. For more information please see All Saints Magazine for July.

arocha.org/en/about/ is the international website arocha.org.uk/ is the UK website

Notices

Children's Church over the summer: Over the summer holidays, the services will be accessible for children and there will be activities at the back of church for children to do so that they can enjoy being in the service.

Church Hall 'Freshen-Up': We really need some help to freshen up the hall for the new term starting in September, with the nursery under new management. There are painting jobs and general maintenance to do, as well as some jobs around the grounds. We'll be in there on

Thursday 31st July: 9.30am – 5pm

Friday 1st August: 9.30am – 10pm

Saturday 2nd August: 9.30am – 1pm

Please let Robin or Trish know if you can help for any amount of time during those 3 days.

Recycling: If you used the 'Air, Home & Laundry' recycling bin in the foyer, I'm afraid it has now been closed as Terracycle have stopped recycling these items. I think this is good news in some way as it's likely that larger supermarkets will take this waste. Thanks, Trish.

Big Build Grant Funding: Good news! We have been awarded a grant of £10,000 by Marshall's Charity towards the Big Build. Thanks to Beverly and the team for securing this grant. We have more applications in, so please pray that the grant givers will understand our mission and support the project.

Special and NEW Events coming up:

- **Board Games, jigsaws and cakes at Dray Court, NEXT SUNDAY 3rd** August, 4pm. Games and jigsaws will be provided, but do bring your own too! We'll enjoy homemade cakes and tea/coffee. All welcome - Dray Court residents, All Saints' members, family and friends.
- **Beverly's 10 Year Anniversary Celebration:** Sunday 7th September. After our Café-style Altogether Worship service, we'll celebrate with prosecco and cake. From midday, we'll enjoy a picnic lunch together on the field. We'll be inviting some 'old friends' back for the occasion!

There is now a sign-up sheet in the foyer, please add your name if you're able to come.

- **Autumn Fair** Saturday 20th September, 2-5pm. Speak to Jo Smalley (joannapearce@live.co.uk) if you have any ideas for the fair, if you'd like to join the team or can offer help in any way.

Diary for the Coming Week

Morning prayer Mon, Tues and Weds 9.15am in the Reading Room and on Zoom. Thurs Holy Communion at 9.30am in the Reading Room.

Mon 28 th	Barnabas Group, 26 Manor Way, 4.00pm
Tues 29 th	Men's Wellbeing Social, Vicarage, 7.30pm
Weds 30 th	Sharing & Learning Group, 5 Elmside, 7.45pm
Thurs 31 st	Holy Communion, Reading Room, 9.30am, Revd Paul Fenner presiding. Church Hall "Freshen Up" Day 1 of 3: 9.30am-5pm
Fri 1 st	Friday Group, 43 Poltimore Road, 3.00pm Church Hall "Freshen Up" Day 2 of 3: 9.30am-10pm
Sat 2 nd	Band Rehearsal, Church, 10.00am Church Hall "Freshen Up" Day 3 of 3: 9.30am-1pm
Sun 3 rd	Holy Communion, Reading Room, 8.00am Café-Style Altogether Worship, 10.00am Board Games, Jigsaw and Tea at Dray Court, 4.00pm

Daily Readings for the coming week

Mon 28 th	Ps. 126, Ezekiel 10:1-19, 2 Corinthians 6:1-7:1
Tues 29 th	Ps. 132, Ezekiel 11:14-end, 2 Corinthians 7:2-end
Weds 30 th	Ps. 119:153-end, Ezekiel 12:1-16, 2 Corinthians 8:1-15
Thurs 31 st	Ps. 143, Ezekiel 12:17-end, 2 Corinthians 8:16-9:5
Fri 1 st	Ps. 144, Ezekiel 13:1-16, 2 Corinthians 9:6-end
Sat 2 nd	Ps. 147, Ezekiel 14:1-11, 2 Corinthians 10

Service Readings for Sunday 3rd August: Trinity 7

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23, Colossians 3:1-11 and Luke 12:13-21

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