

PORCHTALK

Sunday 28th June to Saturday 11th July 2020



Today 28 th June <i>Third Sunday after Trinity</i>	Said Mass (not open to the public but available on Facebook and YouTube later today)	9.30 am
	Said Evensong on Zoom	6.30 pm
Wednesday 1 st July	Staff Meeting on Zoom	10.00 am
Saturday 4 th July	Morning Prayer and Coffee on Zoom	10.45 am
Next Sunday 5 th July <i>Fourth Sunday after Trinity</i>	Said Mass (not open to the public)	9.30 am
	Said Evensong on Zoom	6.30 pm
Wednesday 8 th July	Staff Meeting on Zoom	10.00 am
Saturday 11 th July	Morning Prayer and Coffee on Zoom	10.45 am
<i>Saturday Pathsweepers: 11th July – Mowat and Lillington</i>		

NOTICES

Admission of new Churchwarden: Weather permitting, Susannah will admit Jean Keen as our new Churchwarden in Jean's garden at 3.30pm on Wednesday 1st July. Churchwardens are normally admitted at a diocesan service known as the Archdeacon's Visitation, but this has been postponed due to the pandemic. Although it will not be possible for others to attend, please pray for Jean as she takes up this important role in our community. Many thanks also go to Christine Foot for all that she has done over the past four years.

Saturday pathsweeping will resume on Saturday 11th July. If you are on the team you should have received a rota. If not please contact Joanne Chapman or Chris Mowat.

Stewarding in Church: The Church has now been re-opened for individual private prayer on Sunday afternoons (2-4pm) and Thursday mornings (10am-midday). Two stewards are required during these times, ideally from the same household, if not then social distancing from the other steward will need to be observed. One hour slots are being allocated to volunteers as there is no access to toilets. If you would like to steward please email the parish office with your availability from July 26th through to August 30th. Those who have health conditions that make them vulnerable are advised not to volunteer. Thank you.

Visiting church for private prayer: It is very good to be able to open the church building for prayer again and you are most welcome to attend for this purpose between the above times. Please keep 2m from others when visiting and please use hand sanitiser on arrival. The area made available for private prayer will be that around the Lady Chapel; plastic chairs will be provided for those who wish to sit. If a number of people arrive at the same time it may be necessary to wait until space is available. Please note that unfortunately we cannot open the toilets or the car park yet; if you wish to visit but have limited mobility, please contact Susannah - parking on the Rectory drive should be possible.

Re-opening for public worship: Under the most recently announced changes to the lockdown, places of worship may open for public worship from 4th July. At present we are awaiting guidelines from the Government and the Church of England about how to make this possible; once these have been considered and discussed by the PCC, we will be able to make a decision about when and how we can recommence public worship in St Laurence. At present it seems that singing would not be permitted and we do not yet know what provisions it may or may not be possible to make in order to celebrate Holy Communion. It is likely that Adventurers would not yet be able to meet but we would endeavour to make provision for children in other ways.

To aid with planning, it would be really helpful if you could contact Joanne (parish.office@upminsterparish.co.uk) or Susannah (01708 220174) with the following information:

a) If you normally have a role on a Sunday morning (e.g. sidesperson, person who opens up, person who sets something up, reader, intercessor, server, etc.) please can you indicate whether or not you would be able to return to church at present. Please do not feel embarrassed if your answer is 'no'; we are all in different situations with different considerations and it is important that you make the decision that is right for your situation.

b) If you are not in a medically vulnerable group, would be willing to return to church and would be willing to help with welcoming/setting up/facilitating social distancing (if you are not already a sidesperson) or with routine cleaning, please can you let us know. It will be very difficult to open if we do not have anyone to perform these roles.

Susannah would also be very glad to hear from anyone who could assist with recording worship, as the camera she is currently using is unable to record more than 30 minutes of footage at a time. Live streaming is currently not possible as we do not have Wi-Fi in the church, though we are taking steps towards having this installed.

Zoom Study Group: We are proposing to run a six week bible study group focussing on the book of Amos, using Zoom. We are proposing either daytime or evening on a weekday excepting Fridays. If you are interested please email which days and times would not be suitable to Joanne at the Parish Office.

Addressing the legacy of slavery: We will all be aware of, and hopefully involved in, important conversations happening at the moment around racism, prejudice and the difficult legacies from the past.

We have recently been made aware that some of those buried in our church, who have been past benefactors and prominent in the local community, were involved in slavery. The PCC is considering this matter and working towards composing text which can be placed in the church to acknowledge this legacy.

A member of the congregation has suggested two books that people might find interesting to read - others may have further suggestions:

'Why I am no longer talking to white people about race' - Reni Edo-Lodge (Times Bestseller) and 'The Good Immigrant' - Nikesh Shukla

Thursday Lunchtime Concerts: Sadly it has been necessary to cancel all remaining lunchtime concerts. Richard's Bach concerts will continue to be recorded and made available on Facebook and YouTube.

Cupcake Day: Sarah and Jean Keen held a Cupcake Day event on Friday 12th June for Alzheimer's Society. Thank you to all who supported them in their efforts. The total raised was £434.22.

Bishop Peter's Presidential Address to Synod: Chelmsford Diocesan Synod met this month by Zoom during which Bishop Peter delivered his Presidential Address. The address covered a number of important issues including emergence from the Coronavirus Pandemic and the tragic death of George Floyd in the USA and the issues it raises for all of us. A copy of the address is included if you are receiving this by post, or you can watch it on YouTube at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PMXFvGdKe_0&feature=youtu.be

Fish Friday: All Fish Finger Sandwich Lovers are being called to join The Fishermen's Mission in the World's Biggest Fish Finger Sandwich Zoom Call on Fish Friday - 3rd July from 12-1pm. For more information and to join in visit: <https://fishmishmarket.org.uk/fishfingersandwich/>

FROM THE LECTIONARY

SUNDAY 28TH JUNE 2020, THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Morning worship: Jeremiah 28:5-9; Romans 6:12-end;
Matthew 10:40-end.

Evening worship: Psalm 50; 1 Samuel 28:3-19; Luke 17:20-end

Collect of the day: Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

SUNDAY 5TH JULY 2020, FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Morning worship: Zechariah 9:9-12; Romans 7:15-25a;
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-end

Evening worship: Psalm 56; 2 Samuel 2:1-11, 3:1; Luke 18:31-19:10

Collect of the day: O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The following weekday lectionary can be used in conjunction with the booklet 'Worship at Home' if you wish to use different readings each day, along with the collect, where applicable, specific to the day.

MONDAY 29TH JUNE, PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

Morning worship: Psalm 71 or 113; Isaiah 49:1-6; John 21:15-22

Evening worship: Psalm 124 or 138; Ezekiel 34:11-16; Psalm 125

Collect of the day: Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their death as in their life: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and made one by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

TUESDAY 30TH JUNE

Morning prayer: Psalm 73; Judges 9:1-21; Luke 15:11-end

Evening prayer: Psalm 74; Job 28; Romans 12:1-8

WEDNESDAY 1ST JULY, Henry, John and Henry Venn, priests, evangelical divines, 1797, 1813, 1873

Morning prayer: Psalm 77; Judges 9:22-end; Luke 16:19-end

Evening prayer: Psalm 119:81-104; Job 29; Romans 12:9-end

THURSDAY 2ND JULY

Morning prayer: Psalm 78:1-39; Judges 11:1-11; Luke 16:19-end

Evening prayer: Psalm 78:40-end; Job 30; Romans 13:1-7

FRIDAY 3RD JULY, THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Morning prayer: Psalm 92; 2 Samuel 15:17-21; John 11:1-16

Evening prayer: Psalm 139; Job 42:1-6; 1 Peter 1:3-12

Collect of the day: Almighty and eternal God, who, for the firmer foundation of our faith, allowed your holy apostle Thomas to doubt the resurrection of your Son till word and sight convinced him: grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may believe and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

SATURDAY 4TH JULY

Morning prayer: Psalm 76; Judges 12:1-7; Luke 17:11-19

Evening prayer: Psalm 84; Job 32; Romans 14:1-12

MONDAY 6TH JULY, *Thomas More, scholar, and John Fisher, bishop, martyrs, 1535*

Morning worship: Psalm 80; Judges 13:1-24; Luke 17:20-end

Evening worship: Psalm 85; Job 33; Romans 14:13-end

TUESDAY 7TH JULY

Morning prayer: Psalm 89:1-18; Judges 14; Luke 18:1-14

Evening prayer: Psalm 89:19-end; Job 38; Romans 15:1-13

WEDNESDAY 8TH JULY

Morning prayer: Psalm 119:105-128; Judges 15:1-16:3; Luke 18:15-30

Evening prayer: Psalm 91; Job 39; Romans 15:14-21

THURSDAY 9TH JULY

Morning prayer: Psalm 92; Judges 16:4-end; Luke 18:31-end

Evening prayer: Psalm 94; Job 40; Romans 15:22-end

FRIDAY 10TH JULY

Morning prayer: Psalm 88; Judges 17; Luke 19:1-10

Evening prayer: Psalm 102; Job 41; Romans 16:1-16

SATURDAY 11TH JULY, Benedict, abbot, c.550

Morning prayer: Psalm 97; Judges 18:1-20, 27-end; Luke 19:11-27

Evening prayer: Psalm 104; Job 42; Romans 16:17-end

Collect of the day: Eternal God, who made Benedict a wise master in the school of your service and a guide to many called into community to follow the rule of Christ: grant that we may put your love before all else and seek with joy the way of your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Please turn over for prayer intentions.

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FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Special concern, Sunday worship: Yvonne Rattley, Pat Silverlock, Agnes Trievner, Pam, Hayden Keeling, Stewart Ranson, Alan Evens, Patricia Gillman, Edie Jackson, Edgar Iffland, Michael McSweeney, Lorna Wells, Jean Clements, Poppy and Thomas, Katie Louise Tape, Ellen Stone, Maurice Purver, Pearl Clifton, Kathleen Jones, Rev'd Jane Kenchington, Linda Hicks.

Long term concern, weekday worship: John Herbert, Jean Biggs, Phyllis Knight, Betty McAteer, Penny Hale, Denise Comer, Alison Jervis, Ann Gospage, Ivy Oliver, Freya Risdon, Doris Blanking, Rosalind Manley, Diane Taylor.

Those who would normally receive Holy Communion at home:

Sunday 5th July: Residents of The Oaks Home, Ian Hall, Bob Simkins.

Wednesday 8th July: Margaret Roome, Jean Cant, Dorothy Sykes, Vera Richards, Brenda Taylor, Denise Comer.

Anniversaries of the departed:

Sunday 28th June: Arthur Birkett, Thomas Tresadern, Ronald Husted, Connie Wallace, Maureen Fielden, Madelina Fantucchio, Albert Osmond, Marjorie Harvey, Ken Edwards, Len Plumstead, Geraldine Griffiths, Muriel Baker, Jeremy Comer.

Sunday 5th July: Len Plumstead, Geraldine Griffiths, Muriel Baker, Jeremy Comer, Robert Gay, Penny Mulholland, David Marshall, Terry Gallagher.

Please remember those who mourn.

Other prayers for: Jean Keen assuming the post of Churchwarden.

Parents struggling to educate children at home.

Adults and children whose family life is unstable or violent.

Those people facing financial distress.