

ST DENYS CHURCH EVINGTON, BULLETIN Sunday 18th June 2023, Second Sunday after Trinity



Readings for 18th, 10am: Romans 5 vs 1-8; Matthew 9 vs 35—ch 10 v 8. 6pm: 1 Samuel 21 vs 1-15; Luke 11 vs 14-28.

Dear Friends, I would suggest that quite often, we all experience feelings of anxiety, worry, even anger about different things going on in our lives and in that which we observe in others. We find it difficult to see how issues and problems will be resolved. We try to battle on in our own strength, perhaps because we don't want to burden other people, or we see it as none of their business! So, the pressure grows and one's wellbeing is negatively impacted. Of course, it is natural to feel these emotions, after all, we are human, and I confess to having those feelings quite a bit of late.

For example, walking in London from Victoria to Westminster and back, twice each week, I see the same people who are homeless, most of them in a quite a state, and I have begun to take notice and be concerned quite a bit more than before – I ask myself, is anything going to be done to help them? Concerns about my elderly father and the care me and two of my sisters give to him, emerging issues with my own health and the impact it may have on my work and interests, anger, and irritation about the attitudes some people have on various issues both locally, in the church locally and nationally, in politics, privately too relating to siblings - the list goes on!

Bob Marley and the Wailers once sang that famous song "Don't worry about a thing, cos every little thing is gonna be alright..." Of course, the ability to apply that fully in our lives is nigh on impossible for all of us!

What amazes me when I think about it, and I include myself in this, is that we often fail and forget to turn to the very one who can help us and the one in whom we, as Christians, profess to believe in and commit our lives to – our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. In effect, we abandon him! It was he who said, "Come unto me all ye who are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." We need to learn to fully trust in him, the only one who can help us, and give us the strength and confidence to manage and deal with things in his way, the right way, guiding and protecting us.

As the songwriters Stuart Townend and Keith Getty put it: 'In Christ alone, my hope is found, he is my light, my strength, my song; this cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.' May this indeed, be our full belief and action, for all time, not just in times of worry, distress and difficulty. Blessings, **Qyan**

COMING UP AT ST DENYS THIS WEEK:

Sunday 18th 10am Holy Communion in church and on Zoom, ID 820 0369 6332 (password from Qyan) **3pm Café Church Contemporary Worship** in parish centre

Sunday 18th 6pm Evensong in church

Monday 19th 2pm Monday Meet meet in the parish centre.

Tuesday 20th 10am Coffee, Cake and Fellowship in the parish centre

Tuesday 20th 7.30pm Cruse Bereavement Group in church & parish centre

Wednesday 21st 2.30pm Evington History and Heritage Group in parish centre

Thursday 22nd 7.30pm Archdeacon's Visitation at Christ Church, Thurnby Lodge

Friday 23rd 7pm Youth Music Evening in church

Morning Prayer Monday-Thursday 9am in church

Open Church every Thursday 9am—12 noon Holy Communion (said BCP) at 10am, free refreshments and use of church wifi

Article Correction, St. Denys Sponsored Walk In the article published in the bulletin last week, it was unintentionally implied that a participant failed to complete the walk and took rest and refreshment too soon. This was not the case. A short cut to the pub was only taken very close to the end, despite the participant struggling physically for much of the walk. We are sorry for the upset and offence caused and are happy to clarify the situation and to re-assure his sponsors. Thank you again to all who took part.

GARDEN HELP NEEDED! Do you have a gardener who might be willing to take on the challenge of the vicarage garden at reasonable cost? Our last gardener quit at Easter and we have been struggling to find someone to replace him on a long term basis. If you know someone who might be interested, please let Anthony or Wendy know.



ZOOM HELP NEEDED From the end of the service on Sunday 25th June, Revd Mark will stop being the person that streams Sunday services on Zoom. Once priested the following week, he will simply not have the time to do this any more. We need people who are willing to take on this role of setting Zoom up before a service and closing it down afterwards. If you feel you can help (it isn't difficult and full guidance will be given), please speak to Anthony or Mark over the next couple of Sundays or during the forthcoming week. Many thanks.

SERMON EXTRA This Sunday 18th June, you are invited to grab a coffee after the 10am service and sit with the preacher (which will be Anthony) to talk more informally about the sermon, the readings and how they might apply in our everyday lives. Think of it like pressing the red button on your TV to access all the behind the scenes extras!

EVENSONG Sunday 18th June 6pm All welcome to this quiet, traditional service of reflection, prayer and hymns to end the day.

SWEARING-IN OF CHURCHWARDENS

This takes place during the Archdeacon's Visitation on Thursday 22nd June at 7.30pm at Christ Church, Thurnby Lodge. Please pray for Gerry and Janette as well as Michael and Kimberley who are part of the Warden Team. If you would like to come along to the service to support them, do let them know.

MUSIC FOR SPRING/SUMMER St. Thomas' Church, South Wigston LE18 4TA Saturday 24th June 2.30pm A concert of organ, piano and vocal solos featuring professional organist and pianist Ian Orr (my former music teacher and former Organist and Choirmaster at St. Thomas' Church) and Baritone Roy Anthony Birch. Tickets only £10 (£7 concessions) to include refreshments. All proceeds to the Guide Dogs Appeal. All welcome! **Qyan**



FAMILY BIKE RIDE FROM EVINGTON TO TOWN HALL SQUARE Guided bike ride for families from the Church to the city centre is next Sunday (25th June) at 12:30pm. Arranged with Leicester City Centre, who will be providing ride leaders, the ride finishes up at the Open Streets event. This features a range of free content, such as face painting, games, rickshaw rides and a climbing wall. There is other entertainment, such as music, bike show and art. Return ride to Evington is available at 3pm.

Revd Mark's Ordination on Saturday 1st July 2023, in St. Mary's Church, Melton Mowbray. A minibus plus a couple of cars will be utilised to transport those people who have indicated on the list provided recently at the back of church, that they need transport to attend. Please would those people speak to Janette Pearson for further information.



JOURNEY IN FAITH A three term course that provides the time and space for people to: 1) Grow in knowledge of the Christian faith, 2) Deepen their relationship with God, 3) Explore how to live out faith in the whole of life.

Introductory session – Saturday 23 September 10.00-12.30 at St Martin’s House.

Download an expression of interest form here: <https://buff.ly/3qiMRrB>

We hope to have a course running here again, as we did in recent years, so do speak to Mark or Anthony if you want to know more.

Trinity Poem by Malcolm Guite: In the Beginning, not in time or space,
But in the quick before both space and time,
In Life, in Love, in co-inherent Grace,
In three in one and one in three, in rhyme, I
In music, in the whole creation story,
In His own image, His imagination,
The Triune Poet makes us for His glory,
And makes us each the other’s inspiration.
He calls us out of darkness, chaos, chance,
To improvise a music of our own,
To sing the chord that calls us to the dance,
Three notes resounding from a single tone,
To sing the End in whom we all begin;
Our God beyond, beside us and within.

Collect for Second Sunday after Trinity Faithful creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pray for the sick: Mick Clay, Carole Cox, Ann Dixon, Marion Heygate, John Nightingale, Roman Orzel, Phil Tyler, Suzanne Watson **Pray for those who mourn** for those tragically killed in Nottingham city centre last Tuesday.



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