

# ST DENYS CHURCH EVINGTON, BULLETIN

## Sunday 28th July 2024, 9th Sunday after Trinity



Dear Friends, Change is a word I seem to be hearing a lot lately. Changes, such as moving home, changing jobs or losing a loved one can stir up our emotions and feelings. It is inevitable that with Anthony leaving, we may be feeling a sense of loss and apprehension about the changes which may happen. I would like to offer some reassurance that however you feel, is perfectly normal and natural, it is important to remember that Christ is with all of us.

Last weekend I was in London, where I was lucky enough to visit Wimbledon for the tennis doubles semi-finals, the Ritz for afternoon tea, and finally seeing Abba Voyage. Throughout my time in London, I was reliant on the train and tube services. There was lots of engineering work taking place, and several times I heard the train driver saying 'all change' because a line had unexpectedly come to a premature end. I had to resort to getting out my paper map and working out an alternative route to my destination. The unexpected change of plan was a bit stressful, but I always got to where I needed to be in the end.

Three weeks ago, I finished my year of study at St Mellitus, which has left me thinking about what am I going to do with my time now that my weekly commitments have changed?

On my final day at college, I was asked to bring and share something that reflects the last year and my hopes for the future. I decided to bring in a necklace with a cross that I received as a baptism present. At times this last year, I have felt very broken and worn out; this is reflected in my necklace chain as it's actually broken and can't be mended. The cross contained on it reminds me that Christ is with me. So, despite my necklace being unwearable and broken, it reminds me that Christ is always with me in the difficult and ever-changing seasons we may face in life.



You may find it helpful to read Ecclesiastes 3 verse 1 - 8 and see what speaks to you most.

Blessings, **Kimberley**

**COMING UP AT ST DENYS THIS WEEK:**

**Thursday 25th 10.30 Gentle Exercise Group** meet in the parish centre

**Friday 26th 3pm Wedding Rehearsal** in church

**Sunday 28th 10am Holy Communion** in church and on Zoom; ID 820 0369 6332 (password from Qyan) **2pm Wedding** in church plus gathering in parish centre

**Tuesday 30th Lily House Bereavement Support Group** in church & parish centre

**Thursday 1st August 10.30am Gentle Exercise Group** meet in the parish centre

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**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday Morning Prayer 9am** in church

**Thursday Holy Communion (BCP, said) 10am** in church

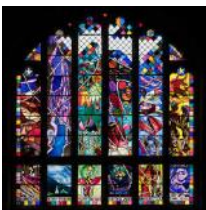
**Thursday Open Church 9am—12noon** Free wi-fi, refreshments, chat! All welcome.

*Readings for Sunday: Ephesians 3.14-end; John 6.1-21*

**Please note:** Crafty Church will NOT take place today, or in August. It will return in September.

**Last Orders!** Please note that pub night will NOT take place in July or August.

**URGENT! Your Help Is Needed!** There are some garden tools and a lawn mower belonging to the church, currently stored at the Rectory, which need to be moved because the Rectory has now been vacated and the property will soon be let. The Wardens would be very grateful if anyone with storage space would be willing to temporarily store these items. Contact the **Churchwardens** if you can help. Thank you.



**Anthony's Installation LIVE in St. Denys!** For those not going to Chester Cathedral on the coach for Anthony's installation on 27th July, we will be showing the service live on screen in the parish centre. Help yourselves to tea/coffee etc, feel free to bring cake! The service begins at 4.15pm, so I would advise arriving by 4pm at the latest. Grateful thanks are accorded to John, a local resident, who has agreed to set up and control the technology.

**Date for your Diary** The Hathern Band, who entertained us so brilliantly during last year's Music Festival, is making a welcome return visit, to perform for us in St. Denys on Saturday 12th October. Please do come and hear their brilliant music making again, featuring Revd Canon Stephen Foster, known to many of us. Further details will be made known soon. **Qyan**



**Marion Heygate** Many of you will remember Marion, wife of Revd Stephen who preceded Anthony as Vicar at St. Denys. Marion very sadly passed away in the early hours of Wednesday morning. She had been seriously ill for some time. Please keep Stephen and the family in your thoughts and prayers at this very difficult time. A service of celebration of Marion's life will take place at St Giles Church Desborough on Thursday 1st August at 3pm, following a private cremation. No black please. Tea and cake will be served in the Community Hall after the service.

### **Coach for Chester**

The coach will be departing at **9.00 am** from the lay by in front of St. Denys Church on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2024. Can you please be around the lay by **8.45 am at the latest.**

There are some people with health problems who can only sit towards the front and they have informed me when they booked; therefore can you please wait to be loaded onto the coach.

Please pray for good weather and a safe journey for Anthony's Installation at Chester Cathedral.

Any problems please let me know by Friday on **2414051.**

Janette.

### **PRE-CHRISTMAS EVENT**

After a lot of thought time is limited now to do an Angels Festival for this year I have decided to carry this forward to next year. We need to start and organised a team to do this festival and make this our main fundraiser of 2025.

The team members would be an organiser to take over the running of the event going out into the wider community, local shops and schools inviting them to take part. Stall holder Organiser inviting people in as well as our own stalls. Setting up organiser and Catering Organiser.

If you can do one of the above it would help to start planning for next year 2025, please telephone me on 016 2414051.

Janette.

## The Village Church by Rosemary Bushe

In the shadow of the hill, little church so quiet and still,  
Many many centuries old, Quaint and lovely to behold.

Through the studded oaken door, step across the rough stone floor,  
Feel the peace that lingers there, Stay a while and say a prayer.

Window nooks and fine stained glass, Polished pews and shining brass,  
Rugged font and cross of gold, Treasures from the days of old.

Mellow stone and Norman Tower, Fortress oft in danger's hour,  
When in fear the people came, Seeking shelter in God's name.

In the tumults of the past, Little church through all stood fast,  
And today her joyful bells, Ring across the fields and fells.

And what ere there be in store, In this world of strife and war,  
May this place of peaceful charm, Ever be preserved from harm.

**Collect for the Ninth Sunday after Trinity** 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. Amen.

**Pray for the sick:** Judith Chapman (recovering from a knee operation), Ann Bennett (recovering from hip surgery), Pat Davies, Ann Dixon, Zak Gardner, Alison Keddilty, Ellen King, Roy Lee, Janette Pearson, Barbara Pinder, Jessica Saul, Margaret Steel, Andy White

**Pray for those who mourn including the family and friends of** Marion Heygate, John Rice



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