ST DENYS CHURCH EVINGTON, BULLETIN Sunday 13th October 2024, 20th Sunday after Trinity





Dear Friends, "Trust in God with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding" - **Proverbs 3 verse 5**

This passage is likely to be familiar to most of us, and we can surely all agree that it is wisdom to live by, but can we honestly say that we truly trust God in all circumstances and situations?

It is very easy to trust God when all is going well but trusting Him when we are going through tough times is that bit harder. Recently, I have been in a situation where I have had to be more reliant on God than ever before.

In my last bulletin letter, I wrote about the wonderful cruise holiday I had experienced with my family; since disembarking from the ship, I had been suffering from severe vertigo that, at its worst, left me being unable to get out of bed. I had numerous doctors' appointments and was told I just needed to give it time. Patience has never been one of my greatest strengths, so having to trust the doctors and God was very challenging. During the last six weeks, God has reminded me that He is faithful and that I should trust that he has everything in hand.

This coming week, I will be taking another step on my discernment journey as I will be having six interviews with representatives from the national church - they will ultimately decide if I can continue to explore a call to ordained ministry within the C of E. Surprisingly, I have a great sense of peace as I know God has my back. I would, however, be grateful for everyone's prayers.

I will shortly be putting my trust in God again as I undergo my eleventh knee surgery. God has been faithful to me so far, so I know I am safe in His hands. I will be depending on Him throughout my recovery and maybe trying to learn some more about patience too!

I wonder if there is an area in your life that you need to trust God with? Maybe it is your health or family members, maybe we need to trust God more with our church heating, finances and priest vacancy.

We must all remember that no matter what, God is faithful in all circumstances. **Kimberley**

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COMING UP AT ST DENYS THIS WEEK:

Thursday 10th Private Booking 12pm in the parish centre

Friday 11th 10am Musical Toddlers meet in the parish centre

Saturday 12th 7.30pm Hathern Brass Band in concert in church & parish centre

Sunday 13th 10am Holy Communion in church and on Zoom; ID

820 0369 6332 (password from Qyan)

Monday 14th 8am Private Booking in the parish centre

Tuesday 15th 10am Coffee, Cake and Fellowship in the parish centre

Thursday 17th 12pm Private Booking in parish centre

Thursday 17th 7pm Worship Committee meets in the parish centre.

Thursday 17th 9am Morning Prayer

Thursdays 9am—12noon Open Church in church including Holy Communion (BCP, said) 10am

Readings for Sunday 13th: Hebrews 4 vs 12-end; Mark 10 vs 17-31

A very big thank you to all those who manned the church throughout Saturday 14th September for Ride and Stride day. It is much appreciated.

Lack of Heating in church As many of you will know, the heating has broken down in church and is likely to take some time to fix. The Churchwardens are working hard to resolve the issue. **Please wrap up warmly** whenever attending the church for any reason. You will be kept abreast of the situation through the pages of the bulletin.

URGENT APPEAL for BLANKETS AND THROWS! Due to the failure of the church heating (see above) we need blankets and throws for use in church during worship and on other occasions to keep the congregation warm! Can you help? If so, please bring your donations of the same to church on Saturday evening if coming to the concert, or on Sunday and give to the churchwardens or welcomers at the door. We

will be very grateful. Thank you. Churchwardens



Pictures from the Harvest & Patronal Festival weekend, last week. Flowers by Kimberley



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Morning Prayer will <u>not</u> take place this week Monday-Wednesday but <u>will</u> be held on Thursday 17th at the usual time of 9am.

Revd Mark will be away from tomorrow up to and including next <u>Wednesday 16th</u>. He returns to duties on the 17th.

Musical Toddlers continues on Fridays 11th and 18th October at 10am. If you have pre school aged children, grandchildren or great grandchildren, why not bring them along to what is an hour of fun and songs in the parish centre. Contact Sarah at: stdenysyouth@gmail.com

Please remember that the Hathern Youth and Concert Brass Band will be coming to St. Denys this coming Saturday 12th October, 7.30pm, to perform a concert for us. This visit is the second consecutive year that they have been with us. Entry is only £10 at the door, a raffle will be held and quality refreshments provided at the end. Please do not miss what will be a wonderful evening of entertainment by talented musicians, including friend of St. Denys, Revd Canon Dr Stephen Foster playing the trombone. All are very welcome.

We warmly welcome the Archdeacon, the Venerable Richard Worsfold, to preside and preach for us this coming Sunday 13th October, 10am.

Pictures from last week's Harvest Festival including flowers by Kimberley





More Pictures from the Harvest Bring & Share Lunch last week! What a wonderful spread and note Kimberley's beautiful flower creation at the end of the table.





All Souls Service Sunday 3rd November at 4pm, plus refreshments in the parish centre. The list is at the back of the church for you to record the names of loved ones you see no longer, by 27th October, that you wish to be read out during the service. The list will be removed on the 27th. If you can't get to church, please e-mail me with such names by that date. There will be an opportunity during the service for you to light a candle in memory of loved ones. All are welcome to attend.

Collect for the Twentieth Sunday after Trinity God, our light and our salvation: illuminate our lives, that we may see your goodness in the land of the living, and looking on your beauty may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please pray for Kimberley Tyler approaching Stage 1 of Discernment for Ministry.

Pray for the sick: Pat Davies, Ann Dixon, Zak Gardner, Alison Keddilty, Roy Lee, Linda Perks, Barbara Pinder, Jessica Saul, Margaret Steel, Kimberley Tyler (eleventh knee operation forthcoming), Andy White

Pray for those who mourn including the family and friends of Margaret Allen, Barbara Davies, Susan Johnston, Robert Mason, Peter Wright

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