

ST DENYS CHURCH EVINGTON, BULLETIN for Sunday 2nd August 2026, 9th Sunday after Trinity



Dear Friends, My family and I have been on holiday for the last few weeks, and whilst I was away the General Synod met and discussed the topic *"All kinds of minds, affirming neurodiversity in the life of the church"*. This is a topic I am passionate about as, many of you might know, I have Dyslexia. Whilst docked in Alicante I sat on my balcony and streamed the discussions; at times having to wipe away tears as people shared their own experiences of how church had been a difficult and painful experience for them.

We are all created in the image of God and according to recent statistics, 15% of the UK population (10 million) are neurodivergent, with 10% being Dyslexic, 3-4% having ADHD, and 1% being diagnosed as Autistic. As a church we must do our best to make our services inclusive.

Having my own neurodiverse needs, I care very much that church and worship should be accessible to everyone. This is why our third Sunday of the month 'Worship for All' service matter so much to me.

So as national church now looks to implement changes to help all to worship, let's celebrate what we do to include others different to ourselves, and continue to look for ways in which we could try and do things differently.

If you think you, or a family member may be neurodiverse and you would like to talk, or you would just like to know more about Dyslexia, please don't hesitate to ask.

Finally, I would like to take the opportunity to express how grateful I am for all the love, care, patience and support you have shown me over the last seven years, and particularly the last four years as I explored the call to ordained ministry. Without the support of St Denys, I wouldn't be where I am now. As I begin Ordination Training in September, I will unfortunately be moving on from St Denys to a training parish, details of which I will announce nearer the time. St Denys will always hold a special place in my heart, and I will be sad to say goodbye when the time comes, however I am excited to see where God directs you next. Blessings, **Kimberley**

COMING UP:

Saturday 1st from 10am Launch of Project for Open Hands Charity, Service and 60th birthday party in church and parish centre all day.

Sunday 2nd 10am Holy Communion in church and on Zoom, ID 820 0369 6332 (password from Qyan) followed by refreshments in parish centre

Monday 3rd 2pm Monday Meet meet in the parish centre

Thursday 6th 10.30am Gentle Exercise Group meet in the parish centre

Thursday 6th 10am—12pm Open Church



Thursday 6th 10am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion

Readings for today: Romans 9 vs 1-5; Matthew 14 vs 13-21



Friends, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have supported me in whatever way over the last decade with my frequent visits to my elderly parents in Leicester. This visit was to scatter their ashes, so it is the end of an era. It was wonderful to be at St Denys again, & also last week to visit Anthony & Wendy in Chester. They

send you their love & best wishes. Wishing you all well, **Liz Steele**

Revd Stuart Voce will preside and preach for Holy Communion this coming Sunday 2nd August at 10am. All are welcome. After the service, please do stay for tea, coffee and chat in the parish centre if you can.



Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion (BCP, said) will be held in the South Aisle of the church by Revd Jonathan Surridge on Thursday 6th August at 10am. Refreshments will be served at the back of the church afterwards.

Don't Forget! The Evington Fete takes place on Saturday 8th August. There will be lots of stalls on the village green with interesting things to see and do including musical entertainment, lunches in the village hall, afternoon teas in St. Denys and much more! Do pick up a brochure from the church and invite friends and family along.



HELP NEEDED ON SATURDAY 8TH AUGUST 2026 FOR THE EVINGTON FETE - AFTERNOON TEAS IN THE PARISH CENTRE.

Thank you to all those who have put their names down to help at this event and who have agreed to donate cakes. It is much appreciated. If you haven't already done so, and would like to help, please review the lists at the back of the church this coming Sunday, to see where there are spaces. If we can fill all the spaces, helpers may well have the chance of getting a break to see the Fete themselves.

All cakes promised, should be brought to church on Saturday 8th between 11am and 12 noon. Thank you.

The Evington Fete is a community event. St. Denys is part of the community. Please do support us if you can.

If you have any questions, please contact me on 07590 817733 and leave a message. Thank you. **Janette Pearson.**

A FREE Concert at St. John the Baptist, Billesdon will take place on Saturday 15th August at 11am. The Ricardus Consort conducted by Simon Mold with Philip Millward (organ) will perform selected choral works by SS Wesley and Handel. Refreshments will be served from 10.30am. Do go along.



Please pray for the clergy team and congregation of St. Andrew's Church, Jarrom Street (next to the Royal Infirmary) following the severe fire there on Tuesday evening which has destroyed a large section of the roof. Give thanks that no-one was injured and pray that their faithful congregation is able to return and worship Almighty God there, as soon as possible. Thank you.

Please also pray for the people of Venezuela who continue to suffer immensely following the devastating earthquake there a few weeks ago. Also for Japan who experienced an earthquake earlier this week. For those in the UK, directly affected by the several wildfires across the country remembering the emotional, financial and personal loss all these events generate for individuals and families. Thank you.

A short poem for the 9th Sunday after Trinity (Anonymous):

The summer fields are deep and wide,
The quiet waters turn and glide.
As bread is blessed and grace is shown,
No hungry soul is left alone.

Through shifting days and paths untried,
Our steady Lord remains our guide

Collect for 9th 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: Geoff Bunce, Ann Dixon, Revd Fr Peter Hibbert, Bill Mann, Sue Mitchell, Val Spriggs

Pray for those who mourn including the family and friends of Phoebe Achurch, Tony Simons



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