ST DENYS CHURCH EVINGTON, BULLETIN for Sunday 18th October 2026, 20th Sunday after Trinity

*Readings for **10am**: 1 Thessalonians 1 vs 1-10; Matthew 22 vs 15-22, **4pm:** Proverbs 4 vs 1-18; 1 John 3 vs 16 - ch 4 v 6*

Dear Friends, Life's Rich tapestry! Recently, I have been feeling a range of mixed emotions in my life - sadness/frustration at an ongoing breakdown of relations between some of my siblings going back well over a decade, worried and anxious about climate change and the state of the world with various conflicts taking place and the very real threat of World War 3, crushing disappointment at not being able to attend an event I was passionately looking forward to and then hope that I might be able to after all, a sense of injustice and annoyance at poor comments made towards me and those closest to me by different people including in one of the churches I am connected to, health worries amongst loved ones, bewilderment & anger at the perceived sense of self-importance some people obviously have by what they say and do in certain contexts, the list goes on!

This may all seem mostly depressing. 'Is there nothing to cheer about?' I hear you exclaim! Well, yes in fact – God's wonderful creation we see every day in nature all around us which gladdens my heart, the relaxation and pleasure I gain in singing with the choirs I am a part of, seeing friends some of whom I may not have seen for a while, catching up with favourite TV programmes which includes the magnificent 'All Creatures Great and Small.' Again, the list goes on!

These emotions are of course, perfectly natural to feel and part of life's rich tapestry. Each day is a new day and brings its own joys, pleasures, difficulties and trials. Knowing how to mange and deal with things both good and bad is the key! As people who claim to be Christians, we are often very wishy washy in our faith, by trying to deal with things in our own strength and fail to turn to God in prayer to ask for his guidance and wisdom. God himself feels very sad and weary when we ignore him, often daily and fail to engage with him honestly, sincerely and with integrity.

Proverbs 3 vs 5-6: *'Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.'* This is just one of many biblical references that encourage us to daily submit our plans and choices to God for his help and guidance. We will grow to be more effective Christians, pleasing to God, for doing so! Yours in Christ, **Qyan**

COMING UP:

Thursday 15th 10.30am Gentle Exercise Group meet in the parish centre

Thursday 15th 12pm Private Booking in the parish centre

Friday 16th 12pm Private Booking in the parish centre

Sunday 18th 10am Worship for All Holy Communion in church and on Zoom, ID 820 0369 6332 (password from Qyan) **4pm Evensong** in church

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

Thursday 22nd 10.30am Gentle Exercise Group meet in the parish centre

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Thursday 22nd 10am—12pm Open Church

Thursday 22nd 10am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion in church

Revd Alistair Helm will preside and preach at our service of Worship for All Holy Communion, this coming Sunday 18th October at 10am. Revd Alistair has been with us once before during the interregnum, leading Evensong. We warmly welcome him.

Another Pet Service is to be held on Sunday 18th October 3pm at St. Mary de Castro, Castle Street, Leicester LE1 5WN. Taking a pet isn't compulsory. There will be an opportunity to remember pets no longer with us too.



Evensong will be held this coming Sunday 18th October at 4pm, led by Revds Rob Hinsley and Stuart Voce. All are welcome.



Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion (BCP, said) will be held in church this coming Thursday 22nd October at 10am. The President and Preacher will be Fr Alan Hawker. Do stay for coffee/tea etc if you can afterwards!!



The Collation & Induction of Revd Cecilia Adjadje will take place on Wednesday 28th October at 7pm in St. Denys. Please pray for Cecilia and her family, and the church family as we begin together, a new chapter in the life and ministry of the Parish of Evington St. Denys. Pray that God's hand of guidance and blessing be upon us as we seek to do his will to his praise and glory.


ALL ARE WELCOME
All Souls
CHURCH SERVICE
Remembering • Praying • Trusting
A service to remember all those who have gone before us, to give thanks for their lives, and to commend them to God's eternal care.
"May light perpetual shine upon them."
In Loving Memory
SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER
4:00 PM
ST. DENYS CHURCH
FAITH • REMEMBRANCE • HOPE

All Souls List If you would like the names of loved ones, who are no longer with us, remembered at the All Souls service on 1st November, please PRINT their full names **(one name per line please)** on the list which is at the back of the church. The list will be removed on Sunday 25th October after the morning service. Thank you.



Annual Remembrance Day Commemoration on Sunday 8th November at 10.45am. This will be held at the village Memorial. A short act of Remembrance will also be held in church for those who wish to remain in St. Denys. Worship will then conclude in the church.

Ephesians 5.15-21 (for 20th Sunday after Trinity) *See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; speaking to yourselves in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs; singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.*

Collect for 20th 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. Amen.

Pray for the sick: Geoff Bunce, Rod Dawes, Ann Dixon, Revd Richard Howells, Sue Mitchell, Theo Riley

Pray for those who mourn including the family and friends of anyone we know personally







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