

& ST MARK'S NETHER KELLET

THE LINK SUNDAY 22nd August 2021 TRINITY 12

A warm welcome to everyone whether you are regular or visiting and to those on Zoom.

COLLECT.

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

NEW TESTAMENT:

Ephesians 6. 10-20

The Whole Armour of God

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

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GOSPEL:

Alleluia, alleluia. We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. **All: Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John 6.56-69**

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

The Words of Eternal Life

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.'

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

PRAYERS:

We pray for our communities and in particular this week all the people who live on: Main Road, Meadow Drive and Merefell Road

We pray for those who are sick or in need: Stephen, Wendy Hilling, Sandra and Ian, Janet, Lisa Toner.

Email: parishblsnews@parishbls.co.uk.

We hold before God those who have recently died and pray for their families and friends: Wilfrid Casson and David Fryett.

From our book of remembrance, we remember in prayer: George Robert Alexander, Phoebe Marian Daniells, Robert Irving (Bobby) Cooper, Lloyd Tose, Jean Tose, Kenneth M. Rigby, Joseph Charles Fryer and Harry Smith

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

NOTICES.

N.B. We continue to have all services and activities in Church with high levels of protection. Sanitising on entry, wearing a mask when moving around the church, registering with the Welcome Team, and observing social distancing.

22nd August 10.30am Holy Trinity Communion **Service In church and on Zoom.** With Archdeacon David Picken. The new hymn books will also be dedicated in this service and will be in use for the first time

22nd August 10.30am St Mark's Service

24th August Funeral of David Fryett 2pm-3pm Holy Trinity.

24th August: Feast day of Bartholomew the Apostle

25th August 10am-11am Wednesday Service, Holy Trinity, in Church and on Zoom.

26th August 10.00am "Cafe Church". Under the "guardianship" of Richard Champness. Tea or coffee should be available to all. A new link will be sent out on Wednesday.

28th August: Feast Day of Augustine, Bishop of Hippo, Teacher of the Faith, 430

29th August, 10.30am Holy Communion Service, Holy Trinity and on Zoom. With Bishop Jill

29th August, 10.30am St Mark's Sunday Service

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More details about all our services can be found in the Parish Calendar on the website.

Latest articles in "The Messenger" on the Website

- News from Christchurch
- Prayer During the Vacancy
- August: Say One for Me
- Readings for August

First Tuesday Hub is restarting: Tuesday September

7th at 1.30pm. Come along for a social afternoon - a chance to catch up with friends, with music and refreshments. We will be joined by AgeUK and the Citizens' Advice Bureau as we start looking at 'Life After Lockdown'. All welcome - the usual COVID restrictions will apply in church.

Parish Coffee Morning in Bolton le Sands Community Centre: 9th September 9.45 - 11.45. We are restarting to raise funds for the parish. Volunteers are needed to help run this. Please email helenwilliams@parishbls.co.uk.

Children's Society Boxes: Contact me please and let me know all is well with you to hand in the box as soon as you can. Your support is much appreciated and I know the charity will be thankful given the problems of the last year. Margaret.

Flowers in Church:

The altar flowers are in Loving Memory of George Robert Alexander.

Would you like flowers in church in remembrance of someone? See the list on the notice board with contact numbers.

Giving to Church:

We now have a contactless giving box at the back of church on the right-hand side of the doors as you leave.

Most people pledge to give regularly and generously directly through their bank. To do this our bank account details are: Bolton-le-Sands PCC, Natwest Morecambe:

sort code: 01 01 60 a/c number: 94801703.

Please let me have anything to go in the link by Wednesday. Email; parishblsnews@parishbls.co.uk.

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