

What's happening in the Team this week*For more details of local events, please see Team News*

Wed 25 August 10am Eucharist to celebrate
St. Bartholomew at St Mary's, Beaminster

THE HUB — By Revd. Canon David Baldwin

As we look to return to a more 'normal' covid life, accepting that we are going to have to work out how we live with this virus, I have been thinking about how to reintroduce some of our ways of church life that had to be suspended. I think that hand cleansing and face mask wearing will remain part of our lives for the foreseeable future, along with respect for each other with social distancing. I feel that we can now return to opening our churches during the day and suspending the written register of visitors. I see no reason why we should not leave the QR code posters for use. The one way systems around the churches which for some have been almost impossible can now be stopped. Those churches that serve refreshments can return to doing so. As I have tried to do throughout this strange time, I will leave each church community to decide how and when they feel safe and able to do these things.

The Generous Giving Campaign which I mentioned in last week's FTH will take place from 12th September and into October. It will start with a week of prayer for discernment and how we can engage. The second Sunday will allow us to consider God's generosity and how we serve a generous God who has blessed creation with abundance. We then take time in the third week to offer praise and thanksgiving for God's generosity, and then as the campaign draws to an end, we consider how we are going to respond. The average giving per church member in Salisbury Diocese is £10 per week and if it could increase that to £12 this would go a long way to allow parishes to maintain the present levels of full time clergy. If you would like to know more or get involved please contact me.

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Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Joshua 24. 1-2a, 14-18

Psalm 34. 15-22

Ephesians 6. 10-20

John 6. 56-69

Green Year B

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear
than we to pray
and to give more than either we desire
or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which
our conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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.

Please take this copy of Pew News away with you for reference during the week.

If you would like material about Church events included in the Pew News, please bring it to the Church Office, or e-mail beaminsterteam@gmail.com by 9am on the Wednesday before publication

First Reading — Ephesians 6. 10-20

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.

‘Community of the Annunciation Prayer ‘

Outside our regular services there are other opportunities to pray for God's kingdom to come in to our communities.

For further information please contact a member of the Clergy team

Diary Dates

Wednesday 25 August, 2-4pm—Preschool and primary age childrens’ activities at Drimpton Village Hall.

Sunday 5 September, 10am Mosterton Village Green. All age worship and activities.

Gospel Reading — John 6. 56-69

Jesus said to the crowd: ‘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.

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.’

Songs of Praise



St. Giles’ Church, Hooke

August 29th 2021

11am

Celebrating our thanks to the whole Community for the way in which they came together during the Covid Pandemic.

* **Eco Pause for Thought: Recycling....** *
* Recycle tetrapacks at Bridport Recycling Centre. *
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