





Sunday 21st June – 2nd Sunday after Trinity

Readings: Genesis 21:8-21; Psalm 86:1-10, Romans 6:1-11;

Matthew 10:24-39

What's on this week

Every day we will pray at 11am, the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishop of Oxford have asked us to say Psalm 23 and to pray the Lord's Prayer as part of our prayers.

Wednesday 24th June from 1.00 - 3.00 pm St James Church open for Private Prayer & Reflection

Sunday 28th June – 3rd Sunday after Trinity

Readings: Genesis 22:1-14; Psalm 13; Romans 6:12-end;

Matthew 10:40-end

Revd Dan will be recording a Said Communion, a Sung Eucharist and a Family Service every week, these will be available to watch every Sunday on his YouTube channel until the Archbishops allow us to return to worship in the church. He is also recording a weekly reflection during this difficult time.

The link to his channel is www.youtube.com/monoingles

Thought for the Week

Saints,

As someone who works in mental health, I believe that it is inevitable to predict the next pandemic that is coming upon us. As children of God, I believe that we are allowed to express our emotions, positive or negative and to let ourselves be vulnerable which is contrary to the way that society thinks that we should act.

We can let ourselves feel anxious and exposed, this is ok, there is no need to pretend that we are always strong, but we can't let our feelings take control of our lives because Jesus is our Lord and He is in control. He is there for us and even though it can feel scary and risky to get through this pandemic and gain some normality, God is empowering us to be strong and trust in Him.

Small steps like going out for walks and breathing the fresh air can make a real difference in the way we gain our strength back, simple steps that might bring hope and reasons to move forward. Walking beside Jesus and feeling His presence and the peace that He offers us even through the darkest periods, will help us to remain tranquil.

Stay safe and many blessings, Paula.

News and Notices

- St James the Great will be open for prayer every Wednesday afternoon from 1 to 3 pm. Rev. Dan will also be available in the church for anyone who would like to talk with him. All procedures will be explained upon entry into the church.
- Many thanks to all those who are giving to the church financially on a monthly basis and to all those who have sent us cheques in the recent weeks. It is a great help to us in these difficult times.

Aylesbury Foodbank

During these difficult times, Aylesbury Foodbank is supporting many more people. Our Donation Box (there is no lid on the box, to reduce having to touch anything), is now situated on the Vicarage Porch and items can be left there. If you are able to donate items, they are particularly requesting: Powdered (Dried Milk), Tinned Tomatoes, Tea, Coffee, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes (single please), UHT Fruit Juice, UHT Milk, Instant Mash Potato, Tinned Fish, Tinned Meat and Chocolate. Donated items can also be brought to church on Wednesdays (1.00 – 3.00 pm). Thank You.

Keep the date free - Saturday 5th September
We are staying positive and looking ahead and hoping that we may be able to have a "sort of mini, outdoor fete/activity" at St James. We need to await further guidance, but it's good to put a date in your diary!

Collect for the 2nd Sunday after Trinity

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayers

Monday – For all of those going back to work this week.

Tuesday – For all the people in our parish who are suffering in silence.

Wednesday – For St. James church and our response to the needs of the parish.

Thursday – For the government as they continue to lead us.

Friday – For our parish schools and the children going back to school.

Saturday – For the economic situation and those with an uncertain about their jobs.

Sunday – For our church family.

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