

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUNDAY 22nd AUGUST 2021

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY:

Joshua 24: 1-2a, 14-18; Ephesians 6: 10-20; John 6: 56-69; Psalm 34: 15 - 22

WEEKLY REFLECTION & STORY:

The Rector has written a brief reflection and prayer for this Sunday – attached. He has also recorded a video version of his written reflection and prayer, and Andrew Smith has recorded this week's story, "David the Giant-Killer". These were filmed in the cemetery in great Brickhill. The recordings can be found on the following links:

- Reflection & Prayer:- <https://youtu.be/UjVPemxAkvE>
- "David the Giant-Killer":- <https://youtu.be/fhCCKFu8kVU>

SUNDAY SERVICE - Revd Val Plumb, Rural Dean for Mursley Deanery

The Rural Dean, Revd Val Plumb, has recorded a 15/20-minute service:- St. Bartholomew's feast day: Where are you in the pecking order? Follow the link:- https://youtu.be/HiP5_69ihUw

All the material below can be viewed live or at a later date:-

RADIO 4:

Sunday Worship at 8.10am Church Adventures

Jay Hulme is a poet, church explorer and assistant church warden at one of the oldest churches in the country, St Nicholas' in Leicester. He leads an act of worship as a tour of the church which was built in 879CE, the walls tell the story of the faith that has been expressed within the building for over a thousand years. Today, St Nicolas opens its arms to a diverse congregation. The altar, the nave, the pews are decked in rainbow flags as members of Leicester's LGTBQ+ community find a space of welcome and worship. Alongside the Revd Canon Karen Rooms and members of the church community, Jay explores ideas of inclusion, belief and belonging, discussing the uncomfortable place where the spiritual and the physical meet and addressing the complex challenges faced by those who follow the faith.

BBC TELEVISION:

BBC 1 at 1.15pm Songs of Praise Jurassic Coast

Claire McCollum explores stories of fossils, faith and science along the beautiful Jurassic Coast that spans 95 miles of Devon and Dorset and reveals 185 million years of history. In Lyme Regis, Claire hears the story of Mary Anning, the 19th-century Christian fossil hunter who revolutionised palaeontology. Following in Mary's footsteps, Claire joins a fossil walk along Lyme Regis beach with renowned botanist Sir Ghilleain Prance to hear how science and faith can live in harmony. Gemma Hunt meets a geologist whose childhood holidays on the Jurassic Coast inspired her vital work on climate change. She speaks about the importance of studying the natural world and about feeling the presence of God on expeditions to the wilderness of Antarctica. And the first Songs of Praise congregation in more than 18 months sings favourite hymns by the seaside in Swanage.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND ONLINE:

Worship at Home, Online Service on 22nd August at 9am

Exploring truth and peace through Ephesians 6: 10-20

A Service of the Word for the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, led by Ven Dr Peter Rouch, Chief Executive of Church Army, the online church service comes from the Chapel of the Wilson Carlile Centre, Sheffield, and explores truth and peace through Ephesians 6: 10-20. Click on the following link:-

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-church-online/weekly-online-services/exploring-truth-and-peace-through>