



ALL SAINTS DAY

Welcome

Services online

Services – all available on the church YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCopwyXTvmHCMOUSKeJjf6YQ>

or via the church website:

follow links from 'online services and worship resources' on home page

Sunday	9.30am Breakfastzone online
1 Nov	10.30am Coffee on Zoom <i>https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73557783878?pwd=VUNPQWo2UGZoR2x3TnBveE5wZXZIUT09</i> Meeting ID: 735 5778 3878 Passcode: 622Xfp
All Saints Day	11am Holy Communion in church and live streamed <i>(We ask that you stay at home if you are unwell or have a health condition making you particularly vulnerable. Please wear a face covering. Sadly, we still cannot sing and the new rules banning social interaction in groups of more than six people means we need to be more careful as we enter and leave the church.)</i>
	3pm All Souls Commemoration Service in church and live streamed

Bible reading for today: Luke 6:20-31

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=luke+6%3A++20-31&version=NIVUK>

Collect

God of holiness,
your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example
with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



Thanks go to...the Pre-School staff who have been running a holiday club this week 😊

Next week	
Wed 4 Nov	10am - 12 midday Church open for private prayer
	7.45pm Alpha online (<i>see ad</i>)
Fri 6 Nov	6.30pm Youth Club <i>online</i> If you want to get in contact with the youth team please email: stmattscandy@gmail.com
Sun 8 Nov	8am Holy Communion (BCP) <i>online</i>
	9.30am O Zone <i>online</i>
	10.30am Coffee on Zoom https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73557783878?pwd=VUNPQWo2UGZoR2x3TnBveE5wZXZIUT09 Meeting ID: 735 5778 3878 Passcode: 622Xfp
	10.45am Remembrance Day Service <i>in church and live streamed</i>
	5.30pm Prayer Meeting <i>on zoom</i> https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71663020798?pwd=dzFKSTJabHE5UGt0YzdsZlFONWlGZz09 Meeting ID: 716 6302 0798 Passcode: rhgC3X

Alpha ONLINE

Wednesday 4 November

7.45-9.15pm “Why did Jesus die?”



Contact the church office so we can send you the zoom link to join in – why not give it a try?

admin@st-matthias-church.org 01803 214175



Our new curate Pete, Rachel and Evie!

Here are a few lines that Pete has written about himself and the family. They hope to move sometime in June 2021.

“We’re really excited to be coming home to Devon in 2021 and joining the St Matthias family! Before we moved to Trinity in Bristol Rachel was a primary school teacher in Exminster and I was a Youth Worker for five

years at Unlimited Church in Exeter. Unlimited was a Bishop’s Mission Order that sought to reach unchurched young people in Exeter and the surrounding area. Before Unlimited, I was a Graphic Designer for a design agency in Bristol. Unlimited stoked our passion for mission to unreached people groups and my studies at Trinity have continued to deepen this passion too. I’m currently wrapping up my MA in Theology, Mission and Ministry which has been a real joy to undertake. We’re

both passionate about helping people to go deeper in their discipleship with Jesus and growing in love for the Scriptures too. Last but certainly not least... we have a fun-loving and adventure-seeking toddler called Evie who brings lots of joy wherever she goes. We're really looking forward to seeing her grow in her understanding of who Jesus is while we're with you too."

Live Services - update - managing the risk

Thank you for replying to the recent mini survey we sent out by email and by phone, and for the many helpful comments. As a result of these, and with the national trend of increasing covid-19 cases, the PCC concluded this week that now is not the time to be increasing the number of 'live' services in church any further. In any event we do not have sufficient stewards nor time to run two services in any one Sunday morning. We will be reviewing the situation before Christmas.



In addition to the legal requirements, the Church of England has published detailed guidance about how to reduce the Covid-19 risk when we conduct our Holy Communion services and include one or two practices which may seem strange if you are unaware of them.

Here are a few points to note:

- Words at distribution of the Bread – the priest is not to say anything when sharing the bread to reduce the risk of any viral droplets going onto the wafers or being breathed in by the communicant, so says the words before starting to distribute the bread. We have not changed our thinking about what we mean by 'The Body of Christ, keep you in eternal life'.
- PLEASE keep the 2m distancing wherever you are in church – this applies to when you stand at the Communion rail too – there are white markers at 2m spaces on the carpet on the dais edge to help you with this.
- PLEASE leave promptly when the services end in church, and do not stay chatting - again, it is a sad reality but we owe it to one another to reduce risk where we can.
- And whenever you do come to church, please come wrapped up in warm clothes and coats – the heating will have been on, but to reduce the risk further, we are keeping some doors and windows open. It's not ideal, but safer this way.



Making Connections As well as the **Coffee time** on Sunday mornings at 10.30am on Zoom, we are hoping to provide a few other occasions where we can meet to support one another. Watch this space for more info!

Live Chat If you are joining the worship at the 9.30 premiere YouTube viewings, or the 11am livestreams - do please join in the **live chat** - it's a great way of welcoming and encouraging one another.

News

Sad News We are sorry to let you know that Jean Fricker has died. We will let you know her funeral arrangements as soon as we know them. We remember Jean with thanks and our thoughts and prayers are with her friends and family at this time.

TODAY 1st November at 3pm All Souls Commemoration Service Please phone to book a place on **01803 311488** where you will be asked for the following information: *your name; how many seats you are booking; your telephone number*



8 November Remembrance Day service in church at 10.45am – please phone to book a place on **01803 311488** where you will be asked for the following information: *your name; how many seats you are booking; your telephone number*

Poppy making could you make a poppy for a display in church – perhaps knitted, felted, paper or out of a plastic bottle? Empty plastic drinks bottles are also needed for making more poppies here. If you can help please bring to church and put in the bucket provided in a sealed bag – by Sunday 1st November. Thank you.



'Mission Torbay 2021' – what's that?

Please see the link below for more information.

<https://www.throughfaithmissions.org>



Shoebboxes Please bring them to St Matthias **car park** on **Saturday 14 November** from **10am – 1pm** (please seal down first). If you would like someone to collect them from you instead please email: stmattscandy@gmail.com



'Harvest Pop Up' Join Spring Harvest for a half term get-together:

https://springharvest.org/news/harvest-pop-up?mc_cid=8d120486e2&mc_eid=484e8b6a15

Annual Church Meeting - video John Beckett's address from the recent annual meeting can be viewed on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/rFfXS9kOGZA>

Torquay Community Larder thank you for your kind Harvest donations. Further donations are always welcome – please continue to give if you can.

WINTER FUEL ALLOWANCE: Some of us will soon be receiving a notification that we are about to receive a winter fuel allowance. We are asking you to consider whether it might be possible for you to pass on this allowance via our church account to help with the homeless project or with other people in need during these difficult times. If you would like to pass on your allowance, you can do this by BACS transfer to the church account:

Account No. 00017933, Sort Code 40-52-40, Marked "Winter"

If you already gift aid money to the church, please mark the transfer as 'Winter GA'. If you have never gift aided money to the church but are able to with this donation, please let us have your name, address (including post code) and permission to gift aid in an email to: tony@ab-consulting.org Thank you.



Church Giving During the Covid-19 pandemic our Sunday collection plate offerings have been severely reduced. To make it easier and more convenient for anyone to make an anonymous donation if they are in the church building either on a Sunday or during the week, we have now installed a Card Reader which is mounted on the cabinet

shelf on the wall of the South Transept, with some simple instructions for anyone to use with a credit or debit card. The church web site is also being updated to cover other forms of giving, including the Parish Giving Scheme, and the information necessary to access them. It can be found in the menu item headed 'Giving' under the 'Church Life' button at the top of the home page. If you have queries on the above please contact our Treasurer, Tony Barratt, Tel: 07984 001973 Email: tony@ab-consulting.org

For our praise and prayers this week

Fri 30 Oct	We pray for the Brunel Manor trustees as they meet today to discuss, discern and decide the way forward.
Sun	We pray for all who come to the services today including the All Souls Commemoration Service. Pray that they may find comfort from Jesus speaking to them through His Holy Spirit.
Mon	Pray for all those returning to school or university after their half term break and especially pray for their safety.
Tues	Praise the Lord for the life of Jean Fricker who went to be with the Lord last Sunday. Praise God for her witness and ministry in so many ways in our Church. <i>"Well done thou good and faithful servant"</i>
Wed	Praise God for the appointment of Pete Norris our next Curate, along with his wife Rachel and daughter Evie. Thank God for their calling and pray for the end of their training at Trinity College, Clifton, Bristol.

Thurs	Pray for our Queen and her family; our Prime Minister and Government; for our Church leaders, the two Archbishops, Bishops Robert, Nick, and Jacquie, our local leaders especially John and Paul.
Fri	Pray for all who are ill or suffering at this time. May they look to Jesus for healing in body, mind and spirit.
Sat	Pray for the end of the Coronavirus epidemic which is causing such chaos in our world. Pray for those who have lost their jobs, especially the 19-24 year olds.
Sun	Pray for the services today that we may see Jesus. Praise God for all who are leading, and that we then go out to tell others about Him.



Godly Play - The Exile and Return God's presence is not here or there, but everywhere, waiting. To be found. To find us. Find out more in our New Godly Play Story which is available from THIS SUNDAY on www.thegodlyplayroom.co.uk or through St Matthias

Church's website. All sessions last around 20 minutes. Lena has put together fantastic free activity packs which support children to explore each of these stories further. Email lenafearnley@googlemail.com and you will be sent one!



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*(The centre is open during office hours:
9-12.30pm & 2-4pm Monday to Friday)*

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