

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

A message to all Children's Church box holders.

The Children's Society has suspended all box collections during the epidemic so that no one has to handle cash.

Unfortunately, the society has seen a huge increase in their services at a time when their income has reduced considerably.

There will be no box opening in 2020, but if you are able to, please would you give a cheque/donate online*

Cheques need to be made payable to The Children's Society.

Either deliver the cheques to me at 10 The Close,

or post directly to

The Children's Society.

Bumpers Way,

Bumpers Farm

Chippenham

SN14 6NG

*Donate securely online at childrenssociety.org.uk/emergency

Thank you.

Dial in worship;

Held at 10am on Sunday and Wednesday

To join the service;

0330 336 0036.

When asked, enter the group PIN 716 416.

For further information;

prayer, pastoral care, practical help or some conversation contact;

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All Saints'
at the heart of the
community



Sunday 5th July 2020

TRINITY 4

Collect for 5th July

Gracious Father,
by the obedience of Jesus
you brought salvation to our
wayward world:
draw us into harmony with
your will,
that we may find all things
restored in him,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God,
comfort of the afflicted and healer of the
broken,
you have fed us at the table of life and
hope:
teach us the ways of gentleness and
peace,
that all the world may acknowledge
the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen

Readings for Trinity 4

Romans 7:15-25 New International Version (NIV)

¹⁵ I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. ¹⁶ And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. ¹⁸ For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. ¹⁹ For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. ²⁰ Now if I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing. ²¹ So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. ²² For in my inner being I delight in God's law; ²³ but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. ²⁴ What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death?

²⁵ Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!

So then, I myself in my mind am a slave to God's law, but in my sinful nature^[b] a slave to the law of sin.

Matthew 11:16-19, 25 - 30

¹⁶ "To what can I compare this generation? They are like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling out to others:

¹⁷ "We played the pipe for you,
and you did not dance;
we sang a dirge,
and you did not mourn.'

¹⁸ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' ¹⁹ The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.' But wisdom is proved right by her deeds."

The Father Revealed in the Son

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. ²⁶ Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

²⁷ "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Reflections by Neale Lucas

Romans 7:15-25

Romans was written about AD57 by Paul in Corinth, to the church at Rome. The purpose was to present the basic system of salvation, and in this Chapter freedom from the law's condemnation and sanctification – the growth of the Christian in holiness.

V17 Makes us aware of the great control sin can have over a Christian life.

V18 Is a reference to man's fallen nature.

This later verse shows deliverance comes, not through legalistic effort, but through Christ.

MATTHEW 11:16-19, 25-30

Mathew the apostle wrote his gospel about AD65 in Syrian Antioch, to the Greek speaking Jews. The purpose to prove to Jewish readers that Jesus is their Messiah

V19-19 Can be summed up by the last line. Gods wisdom has sent both John and Jesus in specific roles, and that this action would be vindicated by the miraculous works of Jesus.

V25-29 Jesus speaks of his deep desire to embrace us in our weakness and weariness. So today we can respond to the invitation, he will refresh us with his gentleness and humility and our soles will find peace.

Private Individual Prayer

All Saints' Church will be open for Private Individual Prayer the week starting Monday 6th July.

We will need to have an appointment system to keep numbers within the Church of England guidelines, this will also help us to sanitise the used part of the church afterwards.

If you have internet access please use the online form.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1G7hcLz3mm28lpII72wF5l8LRU9Y200B2nJp2T9FwcXA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&edit_requested=true

Otherwise, please phone Neale on 0113 393 5601

Initially, appointments will be for 20 minutes on a Monday.

Neale will need to **record*** your name and phone number and if any member of your family will be coming with you.

You will need a pen and paper to note

DAY, TIME and SEAT

If you are unable to come on your appointment day, please phone/email Leslye so the stewards are not waiting for you.

There is a funeral in church on the 9th July, and if there aren't any more booked in the following weeks, we hope to open the church on Mondays and Thursdays.

*Details will be recorded in case a church visitor has the virus, and the authorities need to track and trace all possible contacts.

These details will be erased when the epidemic is over.

John Healey

I am very sad to tell you that Jonny collapsed and died earlier this week.

Many of you will have met him and his wife Helen when they ran the Farmer's Wife shop in the village.

Please pray for Helen and their 2 little boys, the Healey and Darley families, their friends and neighbours.