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Loop Special - 19th July 2020- Sixth Sunday after Trinity

READINGS: Psalm 139.1-11 + 22-23, Romans 8.12-25, Matthew 13.24-30 + 36-43

Today's Collect

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Churches re-opening for Public Worship

For some churches that's this Sunday! Bishop Sarah has been very clear that we are only to open our churches for worship where it is safe and sustainable to do so- there have been a number of factors to take into consideration in order to make this decision. So for us, Albrighton, Bicton, Montford and Shrawardine will be opening this week, with Leaton joining on 2nd August and Fitz hoping to resume worship in September. Sadly, with the current requirements of the risk assessment, we are not able to hold services in the Mission Church yet.

A reminder that there are limits on numbers and strict restrictions that we must comply with. These include social distancing, no passing of hymn books/ Bibles/ orders of service, no passing of the collection plate and no singing. Each church differs in the maximum number of worshippers it can accommodate, and this has been calculated. We also ask that you go to your usual church in the first instance, so that others are not overwhelmed with 'extra' folk! All services in July will be Morning Prayer, either lay-led, or led by Peter and Hannah. Any questions, do contact the relevant Warden.

Services of Morning Prayer 19th July 2020	Services of Morning Prayer 26th July 2020
Albrighton, 9.15am	(no service for Albrighton)
Bicton, 11am	Bicton, 11am
Montford, 11am	Montford, 11am
Shrawardine, 9.30am	Shrawardine, 9.30am

Other opportunities for worship on Sunday

The Holy Eucharist is offered at 8 am. You can join us in Spiritual Communion by praying with the resource on our website (see the top of page 1.) Please let one of the clergy know if there are any particular prayers you would like included.

Pyjama Church 9.30 am – access our all-age worship shared with St George's and Holy Trinity Meole Brace by going to HT's website: **www.trinitychurches.org** and click on 'Join us on Facebook'. The good news is that Pyjama Church will continue through the summer.

Sunday @ **Six via Zoom** – don't forget, we start at 6 pm. Look out for your invitation and link on Sunday. The Order of Service will go up on the website and be emailed to our list of existing contacts with the link. If you'd like to join in sharing Evening Prayer, please let Peter know in good time and we can add you to our list.

Sharing the Light in the Loop (01743 298285)- our phone line will continue to be changed weekly.

Annual Leave

Please note that Mary-Lou is off-duty from Tuesday 7th July for two weeks. Hannah will be off-duty from the afternoon of 19th July, returning on 16th August.

Praying for those whose jobs are at risk

As the Furlough scheme comes to an end and many businesses and companies are looking to make redundancies, our thoughts and prayers are very much with those who are facing loss of income. The likelihood is that we all know someone for whom this is a live issue, such is the scale of the crisis in employment that we are facing. We pray for those who are unemployed:

Heavenly Father,

we remember before you those who suffer want and anxiety from lack of work.

Guide the people of this land so to use our public and private resources
that all may find suitable and fulfilling employment, and receive just payment for their labour;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May Light Perpetual Shine Upon Them

Malcolm Cooper – Priest – of Merrington, Bomere Heath passed recently to his eternal rest.

We hold Trixie and all their family in our prayers.

Malcolm's funeral will be on 23rd July- a family gathering at the Crematorum at 11.30am, followed by a service in Leaton Church at 2pm, by invitation only, in order to comply with current guidelines.