

St Edmund Warkton

News Sheet

6 September 2020

Service today - at 11.00am in the Churchyard.

- Please consider your own health before attending.
- **IF DRIVING PLEASE PARK RESPECTFULLY: IN THE VILLAGE CAR PARK AND, IF THERE ARE SPACES, PETER MCCORMICK'S (6 VEHICLES) OR THE BACK SECTION OF THE LOOP LANE.**
- Please bring your own seating or rug.
- You will be asked each week to provide your name and contact number. Please place this in the box provided (GDPR). The box will be sealed and retained. The information inside will be used for the 'Track and Trace' scheme if needed.
- Follow social distancing (the cones on the footpath should help).
- Please bring your own refreshment.
- Please sit using the social distancing rules; 2 metres or 6 feet away from those who are not in your family group/bubble.
- We might have wind; a small chance of rain,; it may be colder.

Revd Andy Clark will lead; he will provide a service sheet which should be taken away.

The church building will be shut.

Please leave as soon as possible after the service.

No hard copy of this News Sheet will be available.

A large copy will be posted in the Notice Board for passers by to read, as has happened since lockdown.

Service in the Churchyard - on 13 September, weather permitting; with Andy Clark leading.
Further information from the Office (01536 414052)
or Church Wardens wardens@warkton.org.uk

Collect - for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Prayer requests

Pray for the residents of Warkton parish.

Pray for the resolution to the high number of COVID instances in Kettering at present.

Pray for the Churches of Kettering; for the ways that each Church gets used to life 'after lockdown'.

Pray for those who care and those being cared for.

Please remember the Tebbutt family at this time.

Pray for the people who read this News Sheet as they walk past the notice board outside St Edmund: that a phrase, a picture or an article will bring them God thoughts.

Remember the Cerón family and their church in Chile.

Pray for those in the Church who serve us, especially the clergy: Robert, Andy, Wallace, Mark and Charles.

Pray for Mark and Julie, away at present.

Pray for the young people and their families as the new school term goes into it's first full week with all getting used to very different times.

Pray for the younger children and the staff at nurseries.

St Botolph - Online Service (Available from 9.15am)

Evening Prayer in church at 6.30pm

If you intend to attend please email or 'phone the office (414052).

Please note that Administrator Paul can receive 'phone calls at his home.

Services week commencing 6 September 2020.

Monday to Thursday - live stream of Morning Prayer at 8.00am.

Friday - 'freestyle' Friday at 8.00am.

Notes - from Revd Andy Clark's talk from last week, 30 August.

Psalm 51

What is the greatest need? At present it is probably a need for a vaccine for COVID 19. There is no solution at present to the pandemic; we follow rules; many of us remain 'locked in'.

With all this going on do we, do I, forget everything else or ignore other things because of this greatest need?

David has forgotten everything. Nathan the prophet tells David that God knows all that David has done, like committing adultery and murdering. He tells David that all this makes a barrier between David and God and that David ought to be an outcast. Fortunately David realises that God is gracious and loving, no matter what.

David admits his sin, especially as it has been bearing on his mind. David realises that his sin reflects on God however big or small that sin is; God doesn't bother about the size, it's sin.

He reflects on what made him do it and realises that sin was in him and all people from the beginning; look at Genesis, Cain and Abel for example. David asks himself, as we should ask ourselves, 'Do I just sweep it away or keep it locked down?'

David makes the move. He calls on God to restore the relationship, to make David as white as snow. It's the same for us, me. I cannot do anything. Only through the blood of Jesus shed on the Cross can God see me if I am as white as snow.

David promises God that he will tell everyone that God has removed his sin. God needs our, my, broken heart, like David, before God can see me. I must tell everyone about it too.

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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

Saturday 12th September 2020
between 10am and 6pm

a day in the open air ... plan your own route
350+ stunning churches and chapels to visit -many of them open and welcoming with covid precautions in place. Stay Safe!



All sponsorship money received will be divided equally between the NHCT and the church or chapel chosen by you.

Sponsorship forms and a list of open churches and chapels are available from your local organiser:-

Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust
Registered Charity No 1021632 For more details see our Website: www.nhct.org.uk

Sponsored Ride and Stride 2020

(COVID 19)

Information from the Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust.

It looks at present as if people will be able to walk or cycle where they like so we are planning on the Ride and Stride going ahead this Saturday 12 September.

Due to the uncertainty we have not printed any of the usual documentation. The Sponsored Bike Ride/Walk is an annual event that is excellent way

of raising funds for your own church as well as the Trust, as 50% of the money that you raise is returned to the church of your choice. In addition, there is the opportunity to visit and admire some of the wonderful Christian buildings in the County. Please note that any changes in the advice from the Government can affect how the Ride and Stride can be run and church organisers and participants must abide by any rules which apply at the time.

Please contact Michael Moore for further information.

Michael is the Grants Secretary of the Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust.