

Notices

We all need to pray for so many things, wisdom for our Government, safety for our families but as Christians let us also be beacons of light to those around us. Help us share what we have and shop sensibly. Help us to be the ones to look out for our neighbours.

Once again if you need anything please do not hesitate to contact me. My prayers will be with you.

We are not people of fear: we are people of courage. We are not people who protect our own safety: we are people who protect our neighbours' safety. We are not people of greed: we are people of generosity. We are your people God, giving and loving, wherever we are, whatever it costs for as long as it takes wherever you call us. Amen

If you are not familiar with technology please ask a younger member of the family to show you. It is a way we can worship together in our homes, just as the early Christians did thousands of years ago.

Instructions to access the live stream for services:-

- Navigate to the main St Mary's Woodkirk Facebook page.
www.facebook.com/stmarywoodkirk.
- All scheduled lives will be pinned at the top of the page and you can join them by clicking on them at the time that they start.
- Alternatively a link to the live will also be published on our **A Church Near You** page
- Find the event taking place and click on "More about this event" this will automatically take you straight to the live service on Facebook.

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WELCOME TO ST MARY'S WOODKIRK

 THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND
Diocese of Leeds

*Engaging with God
Engaging with Each Other
Engaging with the Community*

Sunday 7th June 2020 – Trinity Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion (streamed via Facebook live)

Instructions to Connect given in column 4

Services for next week

Mon 9.00am Morning Prayer (streamed as above)
Tues 6.00pm Evening Prayer (streamed as above)
Weds 10.00am Holy Communion (streamed as above)
Thurs 9.00pm Night Prayer (streamed as above)
Fri 9.00am Morning Prayer (streamed as above)

Next Sunday's Services are as follows: -

10.30am Holy Community – Trinity 1 (streamed via Facebook live)

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

From our Parish Prayer Diary: For local businesses and for those people who have been on furlough

From our Church Prayer Diary : Uniformed organisations

For those whose Baptisms have been postponed.

For those whose Weddings have to be changed

For those whose Funeral arrangements are not what they wish.

Those who have asked for **prayers for healing**:

Kevin; Richard; Grace; Ben; Betty; Gethin; Lionel; Queenie; Nancy, Frank, Nicole, Ethan, Barbara, Diane, Margaret, Jerry, Louise, Simon, Chris, Eileen, Faith, Harold, Dominic.

The family and friends of those who have recently died: -

And those whose **anniversaries** fall at this time: -

Rene Willoughby, Jack Turner

Scripture Readings for the coming Week:-

Sunday 7th June – HC – 10.30am

Isaiah 40:12-17, 27-31

Matthew 28:16-20

Monday 8th June

Psalms 1

Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday 9th June

Psalms 9

Romans 4:13-25

Weds 10th June – HC – 10.00am

1 Kings 18:20-39

Matthew 5:17-19

Thurs 4th June

Psalms 16

1 Peter 5:8-9

Fri 12th June

Psalms 100

Jeremiah 9:23-24

Sponsorship for Church Funds

Once again a big thank you to Dave and Simon for completing their sponsored walk from Nostell Priory to St Mary's 2 weeks ago. They have raised a total of £580.00 which is a huge effort.

This Sunday we celebrate the Trinity – that mystery that cannot really be explained in words but which we live out through our experience. We cannot describe love, at some points words fail, but when we are present in the moment of love we know exactly what it is.

Same could be said of a beautiful sunset, in that moment it transcends all words, and when we do try to describe it in language words fail and do not do justice to what we saw.

It is easy to get bogged down in trying to understand the Trinity and we use various examples to try to explain it such as three candles, one light; water, steam and ice; mother, daughter and aunty; but in reality these always fall short of the glory of God and the love of the Holy Trinity.

God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit are in relationship and God created us to be in community and to love one another, so the Father created us in His image, the Son made it possible for us to have a relationship with the Father and the Holy Spirit is Jesus' gift to us, the driving

force of the Trinity. All of this "theorizing" is only good to a certain point, but God is more than anything we can try to describe or to say. At some point we have to enter into the relationship with God and each other, and we find the Holy Trinity in those points of our lives which are the happiest and the saddest because at those points words fail and all we are left with is the love of God, and we experience the Holy Trinity in the words and touches and hugs of those around us. We are made in God's image and we are made to be in community – it's how we understand God and its' how we understand each other. So the theory and doctrine in and of itself is unimportant it is the experiencing of life that reveals the Holy Trinity and helps us to understand the mystery even if we cannot put it into words.

It has been very heartening to me to see how you have all cared for each other during these weeks of lockdown. Many of you have kept in contact with your church family and your own families have reached out to you so that those of you are vulnerable are protected as far as it is possible.

We continue to have a virtual coffee morning at 10.30am on Saturday mornings on Zoom. If you haven't attended and would like to join in then you will either need to email me so that I can let you have the access codes to enter the coffee morning or look on our facebook page.

Please continue to pray for those in need that we know.

You are all in my prayers and if you need anything please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes.

Sharon