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# LINGFIELD PARISH CHURCH

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Vicar - In Vacancy

**The Parish Office** will not be staffed, however phone and email contacts are live. Contact 01342 832021 or officelingfieldppchurch@gmail.com.

Notices for the week commencing Sunday October 11, 2020.



### The promise of a good future

Listening to one of Nigel's homilies on the beatitudes in Revelation got me thinking. As we get older, I expect many of us think about the future and especially life after death. The Bible has many passages to help us and this is one of them. This passage, together with 1 Corinthians 15, gives us a good picture of what that new life will be like. We are told we have both a physical body and a spiritual body and it is that spiritual body that will be raised. If we have conquered or overcome sin our spiritual body will be clothed in white and be imperishable. Our name will not be blotted out of the Book of Life and Jesus will confess our name before his Father and before his angels. White clothes are a symbol of purity and holiness. At the transfiguration of Jesus his garments became white as the light.

If you have seen a person you have known well die you may understand this. The physical body now dead, has just been the shell containing the real person you knew and loved. The real person has left the body and we have the marvellous assurance that the real person still lives.

Let us always aim to live our lives as God would wish. Let us help build his Kingdom and bring others to know the good news, because for once, this news is really good! Richard.

#### SERVICES THIS SUNDAY IN CHURCH

October 11. Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.

8.00am Morning Prayer Leader Richard Holroyd

Readings Psalm 106: 1-6, 19-23 (608) Mark 10: 17-31 (1014)

3.00pm Said Eucharist Celebrant The Revd David Weightman

Gospel reading Matthew 22: 1-14 (990)

Sunday October 11 – **The Said Eucharist** at 3.00pm will be led by The Revd David Weightman, who is a retired Chartered Building Surveyor and an Assistant Priest St Mary's Church, Oxted & St Peter's Tandridge. During the service the Singing Group, suitably distanced, will sing two hymns – *Let us light a candle* and *Fill your hearts with joy and gladness*, but unfortunately the congregation cannot join in under current Covid 19 regulations.

**Zoom Services** - Zoom services will continue to be held at 10.00am on Sundays, Compline service on Wednesdays at 8.00pm, and on other occasions.

**Collect for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity** – O GOD, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### NEXT WEEK AND FUTURE EVENTS

#### SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY IN CHURCH

October 18. Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.

8.00am Morning Prayer Leader Richard Holroyd

Readings Psalm 99: (604) Matthew 22: 15-22 (990)

3.00pm Afternoon Prayer Leader Grant Pyner

#### OTHER INFORMATION

**COVID-19** – **QR code for Track and Trace**: The Diocese requires all places of worship, already collecting visitor details, to also display the **NHS QR code** posters for visitors & church members using the new **NHS Covid-19 app**. St Peter & St Paul Church now has our unique **QR code poster** which may be found on the entrance table just inside the Miller Room. Smartphone users with the app can simply scan the poster to 'check-in' for test and trace purposes.

We will continue to use a paper sign-in record, ensuring that we have the information necessary for Track and Trace.

The Church continues to be alive. Distancing from each other continues to be government advice and to prevent the spread of infection to save lives. Our worship of God and our care for each other continue. The Diocese website contains details of how to join others online for prayer, worship, study, and community life. The vicar/churchwardens of this church can be contacted in an emergency:-

Richard Holroyd - 01342 833776, beachhutbooks@btinternet.com.

Sue Ellis - 01342 870261, Suebellis@outlook.com.

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. Love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these."

Based on the advice given by the Diocese the Churchwardens are allowing limited opening of St Peter & St Paul for <u>individual</u> <u>entry and private prayer</u> as follows or as indicated here in this pewsheet:-

- Mondays 4.00pm to 5.00pm -- Church representative will be present.
- Wednesdays 4.00pm to 5.00pm -- Church representative will be present.
- **Sundays 8.00am to 4.00pm** Morning prayer at 8.00am. Afternoon Prayer or Breathe at 3.00pm. Church representative will be present. On some Sundays we are offering a Said Eucharist service.

You are very welcome, but we ask you please, for your safety and others, use the sanitisers, read the notices, follow the signage and take notice of the advice/guidance of the church representative. The Church of England has <u>made it mandatory for the wearing of a face covering</u> during your time in the church. <u>Do not visit the church</u> if you have symptoms of the virus high temperature, persistent cough and loss of taste and smell. If you develop symptoms after your visit let the churchwardens know immediately. A record will be kept of people visiting along with times and dates.

**The Diocesan Coronavirus Task Group** issued the following information on Friday October 2:-

Numbers at services following Government advice will be:-

- *Weddings* are limited to 15 people and that number does not include the priest or staff in attendance. However, renewal of wedding vows is limited by the rule of six.
- Funerals are limited to 30 people and that number includes the priest.
- Baptism are governed by the rule of six, although in this instance the six does not include the priest.

If these services are part of the main service, then the numbers are not limited. Baptisms are particularly suitable as part of the main service.

## Remembrance and Christmas:-

- The Church of England Recovery Group, of which Bishop Christopher is a part, is working on guidelines concerning services of Remembrance and Christmas. The CTG will forward this advice when it is available. Bishop Christopher has asked the Diocesan Liturgical Group to put together materials for Remembrance and

Christmas, taking into account, that the services are likely to be affected by Coronavirus legislation.

- In addition, the Children and Young People's Team are also working on Christmas materials for our young people.

**Proposed dates for in-church Said Eucharist at Lingfield** – November 1 at 8.00pm and November 8 at 3.00pm; subject to confirmation. At <u>St John's</u> October 25 and November 2 at 8.00am and October 18 & November 15 at 4.00pm.

**Macmillan Cancer Support -** Have you heard the news? I've signed up to go Sober this October, which means I'm giving up alcohol for 31 days this October! But Sober October is much more than giving up the booze. I'm also raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support so they can continue to provide essential support to people with cancer, at a time when they need it the most. I'd appreciate any support you can give throughout the month. Any donation will be much appreciated, so do head to <a href="http://www.gosober.org.uk/users/michael-ellis-3">http://www.gosober.org.uk/users/michael-ellis-3</a> and send any spare change my way! Thanks in advance for your sponsorship! If I don't complete the month, I will double your donations!!!! Mike Ellis.

**Cheers** – Latest reason to raise your glasses (not specs.); Michael has raised £685 so far towards his £1,000 target as of Thursday October 8. Pity, he cannot celebrate just yet! More sponsorship required please, every bit counts.

**Shoe Box appeal** – Sue and Gill ask you please to fill a shoe box with Christmas gifts for children in Eastern Europe including toys, chocolate, hats, gloves, scarves. St Peter and St Paul congregation have supported this scheme over recent years. Leaflets with details from Gill Williams 833994, gillwilliams2000@yahoo.co.uk. Sue Joy who lives near Lingfield Church will accept deliveries or collect your gifts. Sue would welcome donations of shoe boxes too please. Her number is 835190 SusanJoy471@hotmail.com. Sue needs all donations to reach her by November 6.

**Fairtrade Lingfield and Dormansland** - This year Christmas pudding kits are being provided for people to make your Fairtrade puds at home at £10 each. Containing everything needed EXCEPT eggs, alcohol/fruit juice for soaking the fruit and your own prepared bowl. We include a recipe and instructions leaflet with the kit. There is a "YouTube" demonstration for people who want to cook along with us on **Stir up Sunday** November 22. Kits will be delivered free of charge to local areas along with orders for other Fairtrade food and goods. Order by November 7 for delivery on Friday November 20. Further details and booking: <a href="mailto:gillwilliams2000@yahoo.co.uk">gillwilliams2000@yahoo.co.uk</a>, 01342 833994.

**The Sick** - Please pray for Brian Bell, Pam Marks, Dean Govier, Keith Smith and all whose names have been placed on the prayer board.

**Rest in Peace** - We remember all those who have died recently. We recall all whose anniversary falls at this time, including others known to us.

Notices for inclusion in the pewsheet for Sunday October 18 should be phoned to Peter Beynon (834858, or email *plbeynon@globalnet.co.uk*) not later than preceding Thursday please.