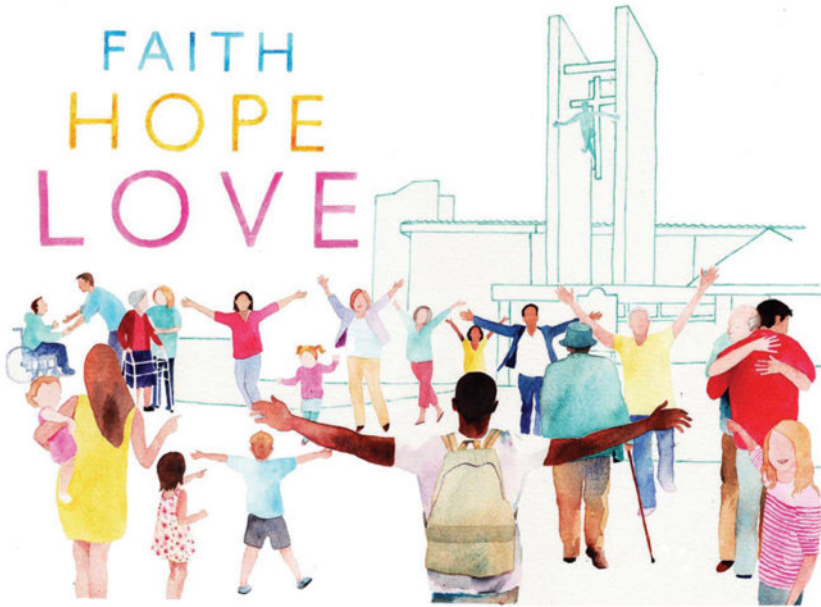


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NEWSLETTER

3 APRIL 2020

ALL SAINTS CHURCH DEDWORTH

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Hello to you all. We are trying to remember the promises of Jesus amidst the chaos “**I am with you always to the end of the age**” being one that we need to remind ourselves of during this turbulent time.

WEST WINDSOR HUB - Update & Appeal

West Windsor Hub is going from strength to strength, getting about 100 calls a day rising to 150 some days. However there is very little funding available and the volunteers are covering the costs of emergency food purchases, delivery and printing of flyers out of their own pockets.

A grant of £250 was received from Radian Housing to cover the cost of the phone system for a while and £500 from the council has just been transferred to them but there is a need for funds going forward, as most of these recent payments are reimbursing the team for what they have already done. Thank you to those who have given - in funds or food - it is much appreciated!

Cllr Carole da Costa, from our church, is in charge of the entire operation. The volunteers manning the phone are principally from our church - headed up by David Flanagan & Carolyn Carter and including Lindsay Chetty and Sarah Bissell and with some brilliant people from the community also staffing the phones now too. They are able to do this remotely as calls to the central local help-line number are transferred to their mobile phones. There are amazing volunteers from the community and the church helping with deliveries or being Phone Friends to those who would value a regular chat to someone at this time when they may be feeling isolated if living on their own.

The phones are manned full time - the team are taking calls at the weekend and in the evenings as well. The church is only staffed by David, Carole and Carolyn from 9am - 5pm from Monday-Friday. So if you want to drop off food donations please do come during the week. Thank you! Please consider giving financially to the incredible efforts of this team to help the community.

HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP THE HUB..... (FIRSTLY DO PRAY FOR US!)

Deliveries. We are looking for more volunteers to do **deliveries** for food or prescriptions. If you are able to help in this way and hold a current DBS let us know. There are currently around 10 volunteers (with DBS) from across the local community who are doing a great job, however, the council are drawing up a list of vulnerable people and once this is activated - demand may increase dramatically.

Food donations! We got some large donations early on - particularly from Legoland when their facilities closed down - but we're only getting a few donations of food now. Anything is welcome! Food donations can be left on the table in All Saints car park.

Phone Friend befrienders. People in the community - hopefully not at our church (see below) may be getting isolated and lonely. Especially those who live alone, if they are unable to get out, a phone call daily or every few days can make all the difference. Even if you can't leave the house this is something where you can help! Thank you to all those who have offered - we will be in touch!

Funding. If you are able to give something financially we'd be very grateful please go to...www.gofundme.com and type in the search 'West Windsor Hub helping the community covid 19'and the right fund-raising page will appear which you then click on to access and give. If you don't have internet or can't get it to work please email me on j.andrewgiles58@gmail.com or ring me on 07376 486023 to pledge an amount and we will collect your donation in due course

Posting information flyers through people's doors. We also have volunteers posting the Hub flyers through doors, while exercising, this is vital to increase awareness. We have covered quite a bit of the area already, but there is more to do.

Call the Hub number **01753 342110** if you need anything for yourself or for particular neighbours you may be concerned about, whether this be food, picking up medication, advice or a friendly chat. Or ring if you want to volunteer! They get all kind of calls - Adam Parsonage, one of the volunteers who many of us know and love, was called out and kindly removed a bin bag that was blocking an elderly lady's TV aerial on her roof which meant she'd lost all TV reception!

CHURCH COMMUNITY ZONES

- BEING THERE FOR EACH OTHER AT THIS TIME.

We have created local zones for all of the church members to belong to. Check out your zone and who your 'zone champion' is. They should be in regular touch with you, making sure you are OK and are coping with this crisis and praying for you. Please ring them (ring Sue and me if you would like their number) if they don't get in touch and **DO** ring Sue or myself if there is anything you need. If we have missed you or you know someone not on the list please get in touch with Sue or me at once! This is not a rigid thing, do keep ringing those you know on these lists as well. It's good to talk!!

DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH – MORE NEXT WEEK

With the church closed, we face a significant decline of cash/cheque income and we are facing most of our normal costs (eg still paying the parish share and heating the building for the Hub). Please consider donating to the church to give us a helping hand. Thanks to those who are already pledging support

STAY IN TOUCH

SERVICES - We are streaming services EVERY SUNDAY at 10:00am! just click the You Tube channel link on our website. There is an additional service at 10:00am on GOOD FRIDAY. Services last 30 – 35minutes.

GAP - Have a problem with pre-school age children climbing the walls? Then tune in to our fantastic GAP (God and Play) sessions. Last week was hosted by Michelle Sturgeon and her willing twins (bribed with chocolate!) on our website. Michelle and Ruth Norris are planning sessions for Holy Week and Easter – look on the website <https://allsaintschurchededworth.com/church-life/gap-god-and-play/>

CONNECT - Let us know if you would like to join the church WhatsApp group. 62 members of the church are in the group at the moment.

YOUTH - Michelle Sturgeon has set up a WhatsApp group for 10-16 year olds at the church, if you have a son or daughter who would like to join please let me or Michelle know. Michelle is also setting up a Youth Group ZOOM session!

SUNDAY SCHOOL - We are thinking about making sure our children can have some “Sunday School” time each week or two, if they so wish, by linking parents to the material we use – **Urban Saints**.

Parents would be able to access a session that the Sunday School teachers have planned, including for example a fun game, a Bible Story and discussion, craft activity and so on. If you would be interested please let Michelle know on 07834 377212 (just a text is fine)

TELECONFERENCES– we have done one trial with mixed results and are looking at other systems at the moment. We’ll let you know as soon as we have something

PLEASE DO CHECK THE ZONES LIST ATTACHED AND SUE’S THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK!

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ALL SAINTS DEDWORTH ZONES 3rd APRIL 2020

ZONES 1-7

SUE MORGAN ZONE DIRECTOR Mobile 07752 479624 Land line 01753 851542						
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ZONE 1	ZONE 2	ZONE 3	ZONE 4	ZONE 5	ZONE 6	ZONE 7
Sheila Allen CHAMPION	Mary Morgan CHAMPION	Linda Griffin CHAMPION	Andrew and Kerry Giles CHAMPIONS	Helen and John Henson CHAMPIONS	Jenny Phillips CHAMPION	Angela West CHAMPION
Ken Kilner and Family CHAMPION	Mike Brooks and Family (praying)	Irene Norley	Richard and Mel Golding	Chris and Jean Heitzmann	Stephen Dilaudo and family	Monica Morse
Anne Bowden	John Hill	Paul Watkins and family	Rosemary Smithers	Caroline and Jonathan Sturt	Marsha Nicholson	Val Smith
Colin and Barbara Carter	Lorraine and Roy Pardoe	Margaret Moors	Sandra George	Sue Jenkins	Ray Bristow and Pat Egglestone	Carole Wallace
Lindsay Chetty & Family	Lucy Day	Doreen Crowhurst	Reg Bull	Dave Hutcheson and family	Margaret Glazier	Jean Woodcock
Jean Cowen	Malcolm and Gloria Lock	Peter and Elsie Crook	Jean Northam	Michael and Pam Samuel	Nadia Osman	David Williams
Dorren Cunningham	Peter and Ruth Norris (in lockdown)	Ray and Jo Gray	Reg Clark	Hattie Frankl and Family	Millie Reading	Margaret Hughes
Daisy and Norman Strickland	Naomi Sinclair and Family		Oliver Dineen			Kathleen White
Maggie Sturgess	Jill Tinson		Adam Parsonage			
Jean and Don Todd	Paul and Natasha Venter					

ZONES 8 -13

ZONE 8	ZONE 9	ZONE 10	ZONE 11	ZONE 12	OFFICE ZONE 13 Part 1	OFFICE ZONE 13 Part 2
John & Jackie Wiggins CHAMPION (Old Windsor)	Theresa Furness	Sue and Trevor Morgan CHAMPION	Jennifer Brown and Family	Jacki Sadler CHAMPION	Andrew and Kerry Giles CHAMPIONS	Andrew and Kerry Giles CHAMPIONS
Maureen Dean CHAMPION (Spital)	Sarah Bissell &family	Carolyn Carter	Clare and Alan Groves and family	Jenny Dibsdall CHAMPION at Manor Farm	Andrea Gosztonyi and Family	Angela Palethorpe
Michael and Sile Bourne & family	Lisa and Andrew MacRobert and family	Nicki Barrat, Mike Smith and family	Loice Madotsa- Mandizvid &family	Martin, Rachel, Jennie, Margaret at Manor Farm	Mike and Jacki Thomas and family	Thipchana Gillen
Mike Lovejoy	John and Michelle Sturgeon and family	Christine Palmer	Roma Maloviski	Joan Carlton Sandown Park	Darren Carr	Brian and Tanya Johnson
Lucie Lazell	Frances White	Osbert and Ennese Lavia and family	Liz Hodgson	Bernard Foyster and Jane Sandown Park	Pippa Johnson	Ron Wheeler
Elsie Boyle	Theresa Furness	Megan Duckworth and family	Carol Hughes	Kath Lee Leslie Dunn	Hilka Keen	Helen Rapacioli
Edward Casey	Sue Surridge	Stan Learoyd	Janet Betteridge	Darren Broadhurst Leslie Dunn	Mary Fidler and Family	Alan Gass
Dee McDonal		Geoffrey and Marueen Shillam	Steve and Carol Rawlinson and family	Joan Randall Winton House	Astra Parsons and Family	Lasto Williams
		Hazel Bruce		Jean Lovejoy Queens Court	Erin Roche and Family	
		Hilary Glew		Jan Paterson Castle View (Sheltered)	Penny Roche	

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK 30.3.20

On the morning of March 18th we awoke to a new and uncharted situation. The Archbishop of Canterbury had ordered the churches to cease meeting for worship because of the spread of the Corona virus. This was soon followed by a raft of other restrictions. Anxiety began to set in. We quickly became aware that people from all over the world were suffering too. Had God abandoned those he loved and made?

No. Not so! But it does mean that for this next period of time we must each take responsibility to continue our journey homeward towards God alone/together, as indeed the early Christian monks in our land did, hundreds of years ago. Our heavenly Father longs for his children to just come into His presence, in prayer and praise, yes, and to read His word , the Bible, yes. And to wait before him, yes, just to sit and listen to what he has to say. You could start with this verse in Isaiah 49 v 16:

See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me.

And then look at Jeremiah 31 v 1 – 6, which is about the joyful return of the Jewish people when they have been in exile. It begins: At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people... I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you... Again you shall take your tambourines and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant and shall enjoy the fruit. This is the word of God to his people when they had been far away in exile. Our “self- isolation” is not unlike the exile referred to in this passage and although we are not Jewish ourselves, we are nonetheless God’s people. In this time of “enforced distancing” I pray that you will take advantage of the time to sit with God and get to know him better.

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