

May 8th 2020

Ephesians 4:3 says, "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgave you" and Galatians 6:10, "...let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." It has become noticeably clear in the last week that little things can make so much difference to people weighed down by the lockdown. A kind word, an unexpected, friendly phone call, a cheery greeting, fixing a small thing for someone - are just some of the things we can do, to lift each other in the congregation and others in our entire community.

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RELIGIOUS SERVICES:



Sunday, May 10th Agape Meal. The Sunday service this week, on May 10th, will include sharing the memory of Jesus' sacrifice for us.

An Agape meal is the informal sharing of bread and wine, giving thanks for God's love, as shown by Jesus. If you would like to share at the same time, please have squash/wine and bread ready and we can all remember and

celebrate together.

Our Sunday Services are streamed on YouTube every Sunday at 9:45 am

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAJDzfVYnEF3jWP_rcpRLmw.

They remain on YouTube for you to watch at any time.

DVD's of past services are now available for those members of the congregation who do not use the internet. Please tell Andrew Giles if you, or someone you know, would like a DVD and it will be delivered to your home. Heartfelt thanks go to John and the 'Tech Team', who prepare and put together these amazing services and to those who take part.



Reminders. Please speak to **Michelle Sturgeon** to give her your news, for the **Family News** spot in our Sunday Service.

Join in the **Sunday Zoom Chat** after the service at 10:45am. Open to all.

Use the same link and details as last week. Start time: 10:45 am.

www.zoom.com.

Meeting ID: 865 8359 6990 Password: 367287

Or click on the link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86583596990?pwd=OHkyRHR5LytTTDZtRzFnNINoVlhLdz09>

If you have any new ideas for Sunday Services, please share them. Contact John Sturgeon.

NEW! 'Just For You Service'. A 1:1 Message/Short Service by Telephone



Several housebound members of the congregation receive Home Communion in their own home, every few weeks. This is not possible during lockdown, but Sue Morgan and her team are offering to deliver a short personal message/service by telephone not only to the housebound



but to any member of the congregation during this lockdown. This is particularly for those of you who do not, or cannot access the online services, but is available for anyone who needs some individual, spiritual refreshment. There is nothing better than getting a personal message of salvation from a real person! Please contact Sue on the number below or Andrew to arrange a time.

PARISH NEWS



NEW: BIBLE STUDIES BY ZOOM

Our first public Bible Study will be held on **Tuesday, 12th May 7:30pm -8:30pm**. Sessions will be held fortnightly and will focus on the wonder of the resurrection appearances. Contact Andrew for more details. Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83108655692>

Meeting ID: 831 0865 5692. No password required.



Christian Aid Week

This runs from **Sunday May 10th to Sunday May 16th**. Look out for a separate notice which will be sent to you about this. Contact Ruth Norris for more information.

Daphne Hibbert's Funeral. Wednesday, 13th May



Many of you will remember Daphne and Colin, a cheerful and friendly couple, who used to run tea dances regularly at All Saints' Dedworth, several years ago. We grieve for Daphne's passing and pray for her, now with God. We pray for Colin, Daphne's husband. He has not been well. And, we pray for Mary Morgan, who will be taking the service at Slough Crematorium.

Grass cutting

If we are not careful the grass at All Saints grows long, tough and untidy. Colin Carter did an emergency cut two weeks ago. Thank you Colin! Thanks also to Ken Kilner and Mike Brooks who have offered to mow this weekend, but we need a few more volunteers so that the lawn is mown once a fortnight and that no one person is carrying the burden. There is a petrol mower in the shed or you can use your own machine. There are plenty of extension leads in the broom cupboard.

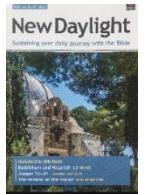


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Please let Andrew Giles know if you can take a turn, even just for one cut of the grass (probably 2 hours of your time) over the next 2/ 3 months.

New Daylight: May to August.

27 of us are regularly reading these daily devotional guides. They are highly recommended. The latest set has just arrived and we have one or two spare copies. If you would like to be added (£4 fee) please contact Ruth Norris.



Pastoral Care

The Pastoral Care group met by Zoom on Monday, 4th May with almost all the Zone Champions present. Most of our congregation are coping brilliantly and stoically with the crisis and we give thanks to God for this. However, a handful are not and we are taking action to support them. Do contact your Zone champion or Sue Morgan or Andrew Giles, our church wardens, if you need help.

Prayer Warriors and Prayer Hub

During the Pastoral Care meeting, individuals and situations were identified as needing prayer and these will be included and addressed by the Prayer Warriors, who meet every Monday. The Prayer Hub is now receiving an increasing number of requests for prayer for confidential situations. Please ring Barbara Carter (contact below) for prayer on either a confidential or non-confidential basis

Singing Group

Several people have joined the singing group, but we are looking for one or two more. *Contact John Sturgeon* about recording in your own home to take part in creating a joyous song for God! (Contact details below)

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ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Activities for Younger Children – God and Play (GAP) @ Home

a) There is a new GAP Zoom Session on Mondays at 11:00am – speak to Ruth for details of the link and how to join!

b) Online video activity! Every Monday, during this time when we cannot meet, a new session is published on the church website. Last week was Sea and Shore and is well worth following!

<https://allsaintschurchededworth.com/church-life/gap-god-and-play/>

Play and activity ideas, games and crafts, songs and prayer time are all supported by a story video, with enough material to keep families of pre-schoolers occupied all week! The results are shared, discussed and revisited through our WhatsApp group, as well as in our weekly GAP Zoom Sessions on Mondays at 11:00am

If you would like to link in please contact Ruth. (Contact details below.)

Activities for 5-9-year olds. An online Sunday school session, written especially for our time of lockdown, looks (in a helpful way) at the theme of 'Fear'.

<https://allsaintschurchededworth.com/church-life/sunday-school/>

Activities for 9-10-year olds: From Monday, 11th May, Michelle and Matthew will be holding a weekly Zoom group at 4:00 pm

Activities for 11-16-year olds: The existing Sunday Zoom group will continue for older children from 11 years up. These are great fun and much valued. The group is led by Michelle Sturgeon and Carolyn Carter. We also have a WhatsApp group for older children in this age group.

If you have a son or daughter of 9 years or above, who would like to join either of these groups, please contact Michelle or Carolyn. (contact details below)

COLLECTION TIME!

Words from our Treasurer, Peter Norris.



Thank you to all those who have donated to the church in recent weeks.

MANY THANKS.

We cannot take cash or cheque income at this time. Therefore, we are asking those of you who normally put cash into the collection plate, or use our envelope scheme, to consider donating via one of the following alternatives.

1. Our preferred method for **one-off donations** is via **our JustGiving page.**



Visit <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/allsaintsdedworth>

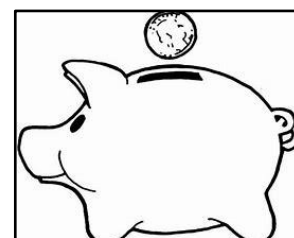
Gift Aid will automatically be collected if you tick the box and enter your details.

2. Alternatively, you can make a **transfer from your bank account.**

This could be a one-off or a regular monthly payment.

Our Bank Details are **Metro Bank**

- A/c name: **All Saints Dedworth.**
- Sort code: **23-05-80**
- Account number: **34016674**



If you normally give to All Saints with Gift Aid, then I will make sure any new money you give is Gift Aided. If you would like to complete a new Gift Aid form then please email or call me and I can get you one.

3. Our preferred method for regular giving to the church is to use the **Parish Giving Scheme.** PGS



have just launched a phone-based method to sign up, which is easier to use than the old paper form. Details are on the church website. <https://allsaintschurchededworth.com/about-allsaints/parish-giving-scheme/>

If you have any questions about our Church Finances or how to work these donation methods, then please call me.

Your donations help us to do the amazing work that is going on in this difficult time. We are delighted to have won a grant from Berkshire Community Fund *for the Hub*, but our church is still very much in need of your support. God Bless.

Peter Norris, Treasurer All Saints, Phone 01753-869787, Email peternorris.windsor@btinternet.com

West Windsor Hub



Many thanks to the Berkshire Community Foundation for the generous grant of £5,000 they have given to All Saints and the West Windsor Hub. This money will help many Dedworth and Clewer residents facing increasing difficulties at this time.



GREAT NEWS! Thanks to the brilliant efforts of Peter Norris, assisted by Jackie Wiggins, Sarah Bissell, Wisdom da Costa and the rest of the Hub team, we have just won a grant from Berkshire Community Fund for £5,000. Praise God!

We have now received 1,500 calls in total and have almost 200 people on our database who need our help. We estimate that about 70% of these are elderly. The other 30%

are younger and include both single parents and young families. Many have financial difficulties. Some have recently become unemployed; others are on zero hours contracts with zero hours to work; others are long term unemployed individuals and many whose benefits do not stretch far enough.

Each day at the Hub begins with prayer and thanksgiving for what God is doing. Please continue to pray for us. Matthew 25:40 says “..whatever you did for the least of my brothers and sisters, you did it for me.” WWH is providing for several vulnerable families and working closely with Foodshare. who have some 60 families in their care. A homeless man who had to vacate his shelter contacted us on Sunday. On Saturday night, he had slept by the church bins and then called the Hub number as his last resort. He was met at the church, given a hot meal and fortunately, temporary accommodation for the next day was found for him. This was a real answer to prayer! We are moving into a proactive phase and plan to phone some of the people we have not heard from after their initial contact, to check that they are managing.

Remember, West Windsor Hub is here for you. Ring us on **01753 342110** if you need help for yourself, for friends or for neighbours, whether this be food, medication, advice, or a friendly chat. And ring if you want to volunteer or give food or money! 😊

USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

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| WHAT WE ARE OFFERING TO OUR CONGREGATION AND COMMUNITY | | |
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| Non-internet communications for the whole congregation | Additional internet-based communications and meetings | Provision for Children and Young People and Families |
| West Windsor Hub | <u>Streamed Sunday Services</u> , 9:45 – 10:40am every Sunday | <u>God and Play (GAP) pre-school</u> videos and songs every Monday |
| Weekly Newsletters | Tea and Coffee by Zoom after the service 10:45 | GAP Zoom meeting 11:00am Monday |
| Community Zones and Champions | Church WhatsApp Group | GAP WhatsApp Group |
| Tailored 1-1 Message/Short Service of salvation by Telephone delivered personally | <u>Bible Studies</u> Fortnightly from Tuesday 12 th May 7:30pm – 8:30pm | <u>Youth Zoom meeting for 11+ year olds</u> every Sunday evening at 7pm <u>Younger Youth Zoom meeting for 9 & 10 year olds</u> 4pm on Mondays |
| <u>Dial a service:</u> *Message of the Week *Last week's service from a landline or mobile | <u>Regular Meetings:</u> *Pastoral Care Group, fortnightly from Monday 4 th May *Children's and Youth Group, Monthly *Prayer Warriors, weekly from Monday 11 th May *PCC meetings, monthly from Wednesday 13 th May | Youth WhatsApp group |
| Teleconference service 9:45am on Wednesdays | | <u>School Children aged 5 – 9</u> Online activities, games and study resources |
| Prayer Hub | | |