

PewNews

Sunday 11th August 2024
Eleventh Sunday after Trinity



ALL SAINTS
Living Faith in Hove

From the Vicar - This week All Saints' Church is going on tour! 8.00 am BCP Mass will be said as usual at All Saints', but we are being welcomed at St John the Baptist's Church at 10.30 am by Fr Earl and the congregation. We are very grateful to them for their hospitality. Included below is the message from Fr Earl for this Sunday.

Fr Catriona.

A Word from Fr Earl

The Meaning of Grace In the Holy Scriptures 'grace' means primarily God's loving kindness, his benevolence. Throughout the Bible we read that God is gracious, merciful and kind. Even when he is described as punishing sinners, the main emphasis is always on God's mercy: what the Bible calls his 'anger' or 'wrath' is really his burning zeal for truth, compassion, and righteousness, which, when it is met by human hard-heartedness is experienced as something negative.

Jesus is the ultimate expression of God's grace for us. His very name means 'God' saves.' In Jesus, God turns to the world with compassion in a wholly unexpected way – by coming and sharing our human condition even unto death. The ultimate expression of God's graciousness was his raising Jesus from death at Easter and thus promising us a bright future, full of hope.

Regular Giving Should you wish to make regular donations to All Saints, our preferred method of giving is via the Parish Giving Scheme. Further information about the scheme is available online at www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk. Forms are available from the Parish Office.

Gift Aid: Adding value to your donation

If you are a UK taxpayer and do not have a set of planned giving envelopes, please place your donation inside a white envelope (available from the welcomers). Remember to fill in your details completely or we cannot claim Gift Aid (a further 25%) on your donation.

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Today's Mass

St. John the Baptist, Hove
BN3 2BW

Sunday: 10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Today's readings

The Epistle

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 4, v. 25 - 5, v. 2

The Gospel

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus,

the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life.

Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

John 6, vv, 35, 41-51

Next Sunday's Readings:

Proverbs 9, vv. 1-6
Psalm 34, vv. 9-14
Ephesians 5, vv. 15-20
John 6, vv. 51-58

Next Week:

Weekly Eucharists

Tuesday: 12:30pm

Wednesday: 9:30am

Sunday

BCP Said Mass 8:00am

Choral Mass 10:00am

Parish Notices for All Saints'

Pride – Thank you - Thank you to everyone who contributed to planning and leading the Pride Service this past weekend. It went incredibly well and was appreciated by those who came. If you were unable to come and would like to know more, speak to me, and mark your diaries for next year.
Fr Catriona.

Congratulations! – We are so pleased to announce that our very own Sarah and Luke have welcomed into this world a beautiful baby daughter, Matilda Rose. We wish them huge congratulations and send them our blessings and love to them all.

Prayers of Blessing for same-sex couples - I announced last Sunday that the PCC had agreed (unanimously) to approve the use of prayers of blessing for same sex couples who want their civil marriage blessed by God. From September we will be holding a monthly service of midday prayer on a Saturday. Look out for details on the website. This will become a place where we can welcome couples and pray for them.

Fr Catriona.

Children and Families Summer Fete – Volunteers are needed for this important fundraising event at the Church on Saturday 31st August, 10am-3.00pm. If you are interested in helping, please see Catherine or email her on:
childrenandfamilies@allsaintshove.org.

Next week's lunchtime concert -change of artist - Join us on Thursday 16th August at 1pm for a lunchtime concert by Xiaowen Shang (pianist). Suggested £5 donation, One Bread Cafe will be open for coffee and lunch.

For our Prayers - For those who are sick: Mary Ridd; Sylvia; Fleur Boxell; Simon Hicks; Mike Miller; Sue Bonner; Tara Robins; Jill Childs; Bob; David Hazlegrove; Birgit Miller; Yvonne Grant; Maureen Elizabeth; and for church members receiving home Communion. For those whose anniversary of death falls at this time; William Giddings; Claire Ackermann; Fiona-Nadine Boxell.



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