

What's On Where

In the 4 Saints Benefice 9th August 2020

NEWS FROM ST.ANDREWS COUNTTESTHORPE, ST. BARTHOLOMEWS FOSTON,
ALL SAINTS PEATLING MAGNA, & ST. MARYS WILLOUGHBY WATERLEYS

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Readings for this week

Romans 10:5-15

Matt 14:22-33

Collect for this Week

Gracious Father,
revive your Church in our day,
and make her holy, strong and faithful,
for your glory's sake
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

St Andrews Church is online live at <https://standrewschurch.uk> and Facebook at St Andrews Church and The Bridge every Sunday at 10:30 am.

If anyone would like to contribute to the services in any way please contact Michael Turton 0116 2404271 or 07961073594

Link to service 26 July 2020: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eyb15E-8Mnc>

Weeds weeds weeds!

Thank you so much to the 'weed fairies' who have cleared the bridge, car park, path and steps of weeds. Although we are not open at present it is important we keep our premises looking 'loved'.

The Thursday evening time of prayer is still happening in this time of lockdown.

Jacqui McAughey and others meet at 7.00pm using Zoom.

If you would like to be sent the link each week please ask Jacqui using the contact details below.

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Can you help?

St Andrews has lost a lot of income due to the corona virus (both giving on Sunday and rents). Alison has set up a just giving page if you would like to donate to the ongoing work in Countesthorpe. (<https://www.justgiving.com/standrewscountesthorpe>)

Also The work of The Children's society desperately needs supporting. Please prayerfully consider if you can help this vital charity. (<https://justgiving.com/campaign/lifeline>)

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Prayers for this week



The church is still shut but the gate is open, Praise the Lord!

Reflection:

This week has for me and my family been one of ups and downs. One of gratitude for my family and friends and one of uncertainty and reliance on others.

Praying with others certainly is a shared load. WhatsApp and Messenger prayer chains have been very powerful with instant responses, just knowing others

are praying alongside one is a great help. Be assured a number are praying together with Jacqui each week on Zoom.

If anyone needs prayers, small or large please ask us.

We thank you God and praise you:

We give thanks that John is now back home with Brenda and that Gaynor is home too with Jim. They have both spent a long time in hospital without seeing their loved ones. We give thanks for the doctors and nurses and the carers who will continue to take care of them as they settle back at home.

We give thanks that our loved ones are still cared for, by our NHS as they have done throughout the pandemic.

We give thanks that the Leicester lockdown appears to be working and shops and restaurants are opening and soon cinemas and museums and places of interest will reopen.

We offer our prayers to you God this week:

Dear God as we are allowed to go to more places, please help us all to maintain social distancing, wear our masks and look after our neighbours.

We pray for the people of Lebanon after the awful explosion this week, killing and injuring many and destroying homes and businesses.

We pray for our economy, every day more businesses are closing or making their staff redundant. There seems no end in sight; we pray for strength and guidance through these uncertain times.

We pray for the scientists working on trials for possible vaccines.

We pray for other countries, in Europe and further afield that Covid 19 infections and more importantly deaths will be reduced, and no second wave will occur.

We continue to pray for our church members who are ill or have been shielded at home. Those starting new treatment, having operations and those with long term illnesses and those recovering at home:

We pray for Mabel, Gaynor and Jim, John and Brenda, Jim and Gail. We also pray for Michael and Laura, Angela and Les, Matthew and Kerrie, Roger and Dawn, and Stephen and Elizabeth all with long term illnesses. We pray for them and their families, keep them all safe.

We pray for friends and relatives in need of our prayers,

David (Rob's brother) and Jo. Sally, Joan's daughter Alison, for friends of Malcolm P, Bob and Margaret and Colin, Hazel and Caroline, for Trevor S and anyone else known to us.

We pray for all the residents in Cherrytrees and any of our relatives or friends in other care homes. We pray for all the carers in care homes and pray they too get support. We give thanks that Gwen was still able to celebrate her 100th birthday last week with her family.

We pray for those suffering with mental health problems.

We pray for those receiving food parcels from our Foodbank and we thank God people are still donating money and food, so, no one goes without.

We pray for the homeless and those who try to help them.

So many in need of prayers, God knows them all by name.

We pray for ourselves, our families, our friends and our neighbours.

Finally, we pray for those mourning the loss of loved ones.

We pray for anyone who has died in our villages in the last few weeks.

We pray for anyone we know, who has lost friends or loved ones.

Dear God, help us to support them with our prayers, please Dear God hold them in your loving arms.

Be with them all and their families now and in the days ahead.

Thank you, God, for hearing our prayers. Amen.

If you know anyone, especially in our benefice, who needs our prayers and would like them to be included above (with their permission) please contact Anne on 0116 2772781.

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St Andrews Church and the Bridge.