The Benefice of Foremark and Repton with Newton Solney Remembrance Sunday - 8 November 2020

<u>Daily Reading Sunday 8th November to Saturday 14th November</u> Sunday 8th November

Amos 5: 18 - 24

Amos gives us a vision of the day of the Lord as darkness rather than light. People should not celebrate the fearful day, but let justice and righteousness flow like water.

1 Thess. 4: 13 - end

The letter offers a frightening vision of the second coming of Christ – yet one that is encouraging for those who are alive in Christ.

Matthew 25: 1 - 13

The story of the ten bridesmaids, five of whom were foolish and five of whom were wise. The foolish were sleeping when the groom arrived, and did not have enough oil to replenish their lamps. Consequently they missed the wedding banquet and were not recognised.

Monday 9th November

Psalm 19, Daniel 4:19-37, Revelation 5

Tuesday 10th November

Psalm 21, Daniel 5:1-12, Revelation 6

Wednesday 11th November

Psalm 23, Daniel 5:13-31, Revelation 7:1-4, 9-17

Thursday 12th November

Psalm 26, Daniel 6, Revelation 8

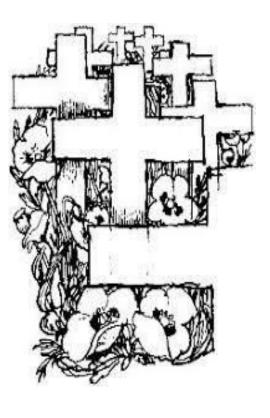
Friday 13th November

Psalm 32, Daniel 7:1-14, Revelation 9:1-12

Saturday 14th November

Psalm 33, Daniel 7:15-28, Revelation 9:13-21

NEXT SUNDAY is The Second Sunday Before Advent



Collect

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

All providing spiritual and pastoral care to our parishes and those within the wider community during this period of COVID-19. May we all continue to pray for and support one another in love.

Pray especially for the most vulnerable in our communities who are going to suffer more than most during this period of lockdown.

All our Church, Messy Church and Youth Alpha families that they may continue to deepen their faith.

Those serving God, here and abroad: Nick Parish for this week-end's on-line ordination training and for his continuing training together with others, while apart. 'Sarah Attwood, home from Bosnia for a couple of months, would appreciate prayer that she will be able to connect with friends and family while here and for her teammates continuing with the church in Konjic'.

Those in need of long-term prayerful support: Andrew Pitchford, Lynn Wells, Ian Tennant, Samantha Taylor, Ted Weston, Alf Booth, Pat Rodgers, Kay Howard, Claire Rose, Audrey Morris, Joan Taylor, Colin Campbell, Robin Nelson, Carl Baker, Shirley Wells, Betty Thorley.

Prayer requests: Nazanin & family, for all affected by the coronavirus and all seeking to contain & combat this pandemic, for all providing care and support as we move into a second 'lockdown'.

Those who have died, both recently and in the past: may they rest in peace and may their families and friends who mourn them find comfort and hope in God.

BENEFICE SERVICE AT ST WYSTAN'S 10.00 am on SUNDAY November 8th WE CAN LIVE STREAM A SERVICE FROM CHURCH SO WILL DO SO PLEASE NOTE LIVE-STREAMING WILL ONLY BE ON ZOOM

These are the instructions for joining

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7855049461

Meeting ID: 785 504 9461 Telephone: 0203 901 7895

Enter the Meeting ID: 785 504 9461 when prompted. There is no password required.

The service will be be uploaded to YouTube afterwards.

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE IN OUR BENEFICE "We will remember them"

THERE WILL BE A WREATH LAYING CEREMONY AT THE REPTON WAR MEMORIAL @ 10.45
The names of the fallen from Ingleby, Foremark, Milton, Repton and Newton Solney will be read
out.

1. AS ORGANISERS [Church & Royal British Legion] WE ARE ASKED

TO DISCOURAGE YOUR ATTENDANCE

- 2. IF YOU CHOOSE TO COME YOU MUST GIVE YOUR DETAILS TO THE TRACK & TRACE PERSONS
- 3. YOU WILL BE ASKED TO STAY SOCIALLY DISTANCED IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD BUBBLES
- 4. YOU MAY BE ASKED TO STAND ON GRASS IN THE CHURCHYARD SO SENSIBLE FOOTWEAR PLEASE

PLEASE NOTE IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND

ONE BELL IN THE CHURCH TOWER WILL BE RUNG EITHER SIDE
OF THE 2 MINUTES SILENCE AT 11.00AM
WE ARE INVITING PEOPLE TO STAND ON THEIR DOORSTEPS AS AN
ACT OF REMEMBRANCE AT THAT TIME.

The Newton Solney Wreath will be laid at Repton, where the names of the fallen from Newton Solney will be read out. It will be transferred to St Mary's after the Ceremony.

ARMISTICE DAY [Wednesday 11th] The Planned events are cancelled

Online/TV Remembrance Sunday

National CofE online Remembrance Sunday service

This online service will be led by military chaplains and pays tribute to all those who have served and continue to serve in the Armed Forces. It will also give thanks for the families and others who provide care and support. It will be available on the Church of England website.

Derby Civic Remembrance Service

For those in Derby who may wish to watch the civic service that was recorded in Derby Cathedral, it will be available on the Derby City Council website

And of course The Act of Remembrance at the Cenotaph will be broadcast on TV

THE LAUNCH OF THE FRIENDS OF REPTON PARISH CHURCH

Planned for the evening of November 12th we have had to postpone this event.

Regardless of the 'Launch' having to be re-scheduled the Friends are organised, functioning and open to those who may wish to join and support our work. At this time The Friends are continuing to work to raise funds for our first project, reinstating floodlighting to the tower, and would welcome financial support.

Further information is available on the Friends website

and Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofReptonParishChurch

FROM THE DEANERY NEWSLETTER

Dealing with loneliness and isolation: 5 top tips

Find simple ways to deal with loneliness and isolation.

1. Pray. Light a candle, if safe, and pray for hope, faith and strength to keep loving and caring for each other

during this time of struggle.

- 2. Talk about how you feel. This may be difficult if you are self-isolating, but do use the telephone, internet, and social media. If you need to contact a counsellor this can be arranged by your GP, or via local agencies, or privately. The Samaritans are there 24 hours a day, every day, and it's free to call them on 116 123.
- 3. Focus on the things that you can change, not on the things you can't.
- 4. Look after yourself physically, emotionally, spiritually. Plan in things that you enjoy at regular intervals during the day a TV programme, a phone call, a book, a favourite dish, a game.
- 5. Look after others. Even if only in small ways, but do what you can: a smile, a kind word, writing a letter or an email.

GOOD NEWS/INSPIRATIONS

WINTER OPENING TIMES CHURCHES OPEN FOR PRAYER

ST MARY'S [EVERY DAY] 10.00 - 3.00pm.

ST WYSTAN'S [WEEK DAYS] 10.00 - 4.00pm

St Wystan's is open on Saturdays 10.00AM – 3.00pm then it will be cleaned and set up ready for Sunday.

On **Sundays** the church will be cleaned after the service and then open for prayer until **4.00pm**.

DAILY PRAYER – will continue this week at 9.00 using a Service Order from Iona Abbey. We 'meet' on Zoom and the telephone link works for this as well. If you wish to join us, then you are most welcome. Please ask Rebecca for a copy of the service order and a Zoom link.

From Bishop Libby

My friends, we face further challenge and uncertainty. It is hard to remain hopeful. As the nights draw in, it seems this winter will be long and hard.

But Jesus encourages us not to fear, and not to lose heart. There is much we have learnt for good over these past months, and, sustained and supported by the love of Christ, our call to share the good news of the Kingdom of God remains.

Our worship, witness and work in Christ are essential for the welfare of our nation. Whatever further restrictions we face in the coming weeks, we will continue to pray, learn, tell and serve: knowing ourselves loved beyond measure by Jesus, we will be faithful to our call to love without restraint for His sake.

Everyone one of us, lay and ordained, every day and in every context and circumstance has a part to play. Even when circumstances seem beyond our control, we have a choice about how to respond. As a Christian community, let's choose hope - in the demonstration of generous faith, courageous hope and life-giving love. "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness does not overcome it." (John 1:5).

Be assured of my continuing prayers. +Libby

COVID19 COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP

The local Covid19 Community Support Group are working hard to create a local radio that will be available online – with recorded local material from different organisations, agencies and individuals.

The Group are also trying to organise mentoring for those who are unemployed who may need some support as they seek work, and some booster tutoring for Year 11 students who may have missed out on some of their GCSE coursework.