

The Benefice of Foremark and Repton with Newton Solney

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity - 4th October 2020

Daily Reading Sunday 4th October to Saturday 10th October

Sunday 4th October (17th Sunday after Trinity).

Exodus 20: 1 - 4, 7 - 9, 12 - 20.

God says to the people, "I am yours so behave this way,"
but they are afraid.

Philippians 3: 4b - 14

Paul has confidence, not because of his status but
because he belongs to Christ.

Matthew 21: 33 - end

The Kingdom of God belongs to those who live according
to the way of the kingdom of God and not through any
other means.

Monday 5th October

Psalm 71, 1 Kings 21, Acts 21:37-22:21

Tuesday 6th October

Psalm 73, 1 Kings 22:1-18, Acts 22:22-23:11

Wednesday 7th October

Psalm 77, 1 Kings 22:29-45, Acts 23:12-35

Thursday 8th October

Psalm 78:1-39, 2 Kings 1:2-17, Acts 24:1-23

Friday 9th October

Psalm 55, 2 Kings 2:1-18, Acts 24:24-25:12

Saturday 10th October

Psalm 76, 2 Kings 4:1-37, Acts 25:13-27

Collect

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
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.

All our Church, Messy Church and Youth Alpha families that they may continue to find faith at home. For Youth Alpha meeting in church this Sunday.

Those serving God, here and abroad: Nick Parish training for ordination and Sarah Attwood in Bosnia.

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.

Prayer requests: Nazanin & family, Alex Murchie, for all affected by the coronavirus and all seeking to contain & combat this pandemic, for all providing care and support at this time.

Those who have recently died and those known to us, R.I.P.: George Paley, David Shilton, Gordon Snell and their families and friends who mourn them.

BENEFICE SUNDAY WORSHIP AT ST WYSTAN'S
10.00am on SUNDAY October 4TH

IF YOU CAN'T ATTEND ON THE 4TH OR CHOOSE NOT TO

Everyone can join in via Zoom – either with video via your computer/ipad/iphone – or by telephone. Alternatively the service is also streamed live to Youtube [St Wystan's Church Repton] and will be available for 6 days.

To use Zoom via computer or telephone you need to:

Ask Rebecca our Administrator 07817997419 or de656fh@gmail.com for a copy of the Order of Service and the invite to Zoom you require to log in via internet or phone.

Sermons are posted to YouTube [St Wystan's Church Repton] and Facebook [St Mary's Church Newton Solney] each week.

IF YOU WISH TO COME TO WORSHIP ON THE 4TH

There is no need to let us know you intend coming this week.

[Please do not assume this is the case each week but check the announcement here.]

It is now mandatory that people wear masks all the time in church.

Leaders of worship, including singers, readers and intercessors may remove their masks when appropriately distanced from people.

The informative document '**WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT WHEN YOU COME TO WORSHIP ON SUNDAY MORNING**' is available - if you need a copy ask the Vicar or Rebecca.

Our **Risk Assessment for Worship** - available from Virginia Davis on 702762 or virginiardavis@yahoo.co.uk

ST MARY'S [EVERY DAY] & ST WYSTAN'S [WEEK DAYS] ARE OPEN FOR PRAYER 10.00 – 6.00PM.

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

On **Sundays** the church will be cleaned after the service and then open for prayer from **12.00 until 6.00pm.**

NOTE: This Sunday the Church will close at 4.30 to allow for cleaning before Youth Alpha which is taking place.

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. Again, please ask Rebecca for a copy of the service order and a Zoom link.

ANNE PALEY has asked me to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers and cards. She says that George appreciated those which arrived before his death and she has felt well supported since.

ECUMENICAL COVID PRAYERS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

Jesus Christ, heal us.

I look at a crucifix, which speaks of the love of our God who has come close, who has wanted to show his weakness until his death on the Cross, to accompany us, to guide us on the path to Salvation.

Thus, I wish to be close to each one of you, like most institutions today, are experiencing for the first time a global pandemic, which is affecting or will affect all our countries and therefore our persons, families and homes.

Let us pray that we understand how to take care of the planet by being responsible for making it healthy for everyone? As a result of the virus, our cities have less pollution and cleaner air.

Let us pray that we will be able to transform this tragedy into an opportunity to improve our families in the face of this difficult situation and take care of the most vulnerable members?

Let us pray that we succeed in giving a positive meaning to our use of time and social networks?

Let us pray that we succeed in eliminating violence and discrimination against women as we try to overcome this pandemic? And that women, until now victims of those who consider them an object, will be able to be recognised for their maternal care and education to prevention, which are so key in this critical moment?

Let us pray for victims, the health workers, the authorities, the elderly, the families with their children. Amen.

María Lía Zervino,

President, World Union of Catholic Women's Organisations (WUCWO)

(adapted from a letter to members)

HARVEST FESTIVAL IN OUR PARISHES – SUNDAY OCTOBER 11th

Our Harvest Festival celebrations will of course have a very different feel this year, with no celebratory lunches and unless the guidelines change, we won't all be singing 'We plough the fields and scatter' either. However, that should not stop us thanking God for the goodness of His creation.

We are supporting The Padley Centre with our gifts. A full list of what goods they need is at <https://www.padleygroup.com/fundraising/donations/>. We suggest you offer non-perishable items. There are also details on that page how you can make a financial donation.

There will be a box at the back of both St Wystan's and St Mary's from Sunday October 4th until the church closes on Sunday 11th.

If you are attending either of the services you will be invited to present your gifts during the service.

ST. WYSTAN'S 10.00 – Our usual communion service with a Harvest theme.

ST MARY'S 11.30 - This first service back will also be a simple communion service but with a Harvest Theme.

ALL SOULS - COMMEMORATION OF OUR LOVED ONES DEPARTED

Each year we hold a special service to remember and give thanks for those family and friends we have loved who have died, either in recent times or many years ago. With the Covid situation as it is, we are unable to offer such a service. We hope that those who might have wanted to come to remember loved ones will find comfort in what is offered in St Wystan's Church on behalf of the whole Benefice.

**On Saturday October 31st 10.00 – 3.00pm, Sunday November 1st [All Saints Day] 12.00 – 6.00pm
And Monday 2nd [All Souls Day] 10.00 – 8.00pm**

You are invited to come into church, to write the name of your loved one onto a piece of paper and add it to a display. You will also be able to light a candle in their memory and if you wish, say a prayer for them.

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN PEN to write their name [Covid guideline].

If you are unable to attend but would like your loved one remembered we will write their name for you, light a candle and say a prayer for them. If you would like us to do that then please contact:

the Vicar 01283 6219686 thevicarofrepton@gmail.com

or Wendy Longden 01283 703259 wendylongden@btinternet.com

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

Remembrance Sunday - November 8th

There will be no special service either at St Mary's or St Wystan's.

St Wystan's will hold its 10.00 Communion at the end of which there will be the 2 minute silence.

Our main focus for Remembrance will be on **ARMISTICE DAY - Weds. Nov. 11th**.

In Repton – in partnership with the Royal British Legion

We shall gather at the Memorial at 10.45.

As limited numbers will be allowed on the Car Parking area – if we go beyond that number we will use the Churchyard. We are hoping to have a sound system in place.

The names of the fallen from Repton, Milton, Foremark and Ingleby will be read.

If any of the usual organisations wish to attend and lay a wreath please inform the Vicar before the day.

In Newton Solney – With very limited space around the Memorial in church you are invited to gather [Socially distanced] at the white memorial cross by the front gate – also at 10.45.

Again, the names of the fallen will be read. If you are bringing a wreath to be laid outside [subsequently to be moved to the Memorial in Church] please contact Mr Stephen Longden 01283 703259

stephenlongden@btinternet.com who will be conducting the Act of Remembrance.

GOOD NEWS/INSPIRATIONS

God Offers Peace for Those Who Trust in Him

1. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. (John 14:27)

2. I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world. (John 16:33)

3. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:6-7)

4. Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit. (Jeremiah 17:7-8)

5. You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you. (Isaiah 26:3)

6. Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all. (2 Thessalonians 3:16)

7. In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety. (Psalm 4:8)

God Calms the Fears of Those Who Turn to Him

- 8. They will have no fear of bad news;** their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the Lord. Their hearts are secure, they will have no fear; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes. (Psalm 112:7-8)
- 9. So do not fear, for I am with you;** do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. (Isaiah 41:10)
- 10. Be strong and courageous.** Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you. (Deuteronomy 31:6)
- 11. When I am afraid,** I put my trust in you. (Psalm 56:3)
- 12. Fear not, for I have redeemed you;** I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. (Isaiah 43:1-2)
- 13. Even though I walk through** the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. (Psalm 23:4)
- 14. And he said to his disciples,** “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! (Luke 12:22-24)
- 15. For I am the Lord your God** who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you. (Isaiah 41:13)
- 16. So we can confidently say,** “The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?” (Hebrews 13:6)

God's Hope Is Real to Those Who Have Faith

- 17. But the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him,** on those whose hope is in his unfailing love, to deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine. We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you. (Psalm 33:18-22)
- 18. Therefore, since we have been justified through faith,** we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been

given to us. (Romans 5:1-5)

19. For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. (Romans 15:4)

20. May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. (Romans 15:13)

21. Therefore, we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. (2 Corinthians 4:16-18)

22. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. (Romans 12:12)

23. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (1 Peter 1:3)

24. Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, (Hebrews 10:23-24)

God Cares for Those Who Hope in Him

25. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. (1 Peter 5:7)

26. The Lord delights in those who fear him, who put their hope in his unfailing love. (Psalm 147:11)

27. Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; therefore he will rise up to show you compassion. For the Lord is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him! (Isaiah 30:18)

28. How priceless is your unfailing love, O God! People take refuge in the shadow of your wings. (Psalm 36:7)

29. Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge. (Psalm 62:8)

30. The Lord appeared to us in the past, saying: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness." (Jeremiah 31:3)

31. He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? (Romans 8:32)

32. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. (John 15:7)

33. This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him. (1 John 5:14)

34. I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. (John 10:14 & 27)

35. When anxiety was great within me, your consolation brought me joy. (Psalm 94:19)