



NEWSLETTER ❖ 6TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Dear friends

Last week the church was reopened for communal worship and today is the first Sunday when the doors will be open for services; it is more than 120 days since public worship ceased on the Feast of St Patrick. I am grateful to members of Vestry for their support with supplying the necessary documentation on risk management, to volunteers who have supervised openings for private prayer, and to Bishop Ian for giving us permission to gather again for worship.

Having used the chapel for all services in church for months, we have now relocated to the high altar since the larger space gives greater flexibility for those attending. Small numbers can be accommodated in the chancel of the church while up to about 25 can be fitted in the nave, depending on the number of people present who are in the same 'social bubble'.

As you know, while we have been unable to meet communally, services have been recorded and uploaded to the church website each day as a resource for those who wished to access it. There is no intention to remove this resource now that the church is open, since many are still shielding at home, others do not feel that the time is right for them, and some find the prospect of a larger number of people inside rather daunting: each must make their own decisions and we honour that. However, it might be helpful now to review the usefulness of some aspects of what is recorded to help keep things manageable. For example, is there a demand for us to webcast Morning and Evening Prayer and Mass every day, or would one or two of the three be more useful, or just services on Sundays and Feast days? It's certainly our intention to record the Sung Mass today but, if you've been used to accessing that at 10.30 am or so in recent months, please be aware that there will be no opportunity to place it online until after the end of the service - perhaps by 11.30 am.

I claim no great expertise in the art, but there is something quite satisfying for me in devising solutions to practical problems. Nevertheless, many aspects of life for the last few months seem to have fallen rather unsatisfactorily into the 'best fit' category, since nothing seems quite right either practically or spiritually. Even now that some of us feel able to return to church, there is an air of dislocation. Having prayed so often recently in the church emptied of furniture, I have often imagined the people being there in their usual places, as so many of you would have wished to be. Tomorrow there will be only about a third of the congregation formerly expected at this time of year, probably with everyone having informed me of their attendance so the seating could be arranged for them. There's even a seating plan to help people keep socially distant in the building while they find their perch.

Even this seems strange for All Saints'. Founded as a free church in the deprived part of town, our heritage comes from welcoming everyone to the worship of the church: people from diverse backgrounds sitting together, singing together, kneeling before the altar together. Social distancing is, in that sense, thoroughly anathema to us and we will be delighted to be rid of it as soon as possible. In the meantime, if you can't be with us for whatever reason and would wish to be, please know that you are missed very much.

Fr Alasdair

THE WEEK AHEAD

The Rector is away on Tuesday this week: Morning and Evening Prayer will be placed on the website by kind members of the congregation; Mass will kindly be celebrated at home by the Revd Anne Haselhurst on Tuesday *and will return to church at 6.30 pm on Tuesday 28 July.*

To alleviate pressure caused by social distancing in the church building, an additional Mass will be celebrated on Sundays at 7 pm until further notice.

The combination of restoration work and opening the church for private prayer each day has also affected timings of weekday services. The modified schedule is as follows:

Sunday	7.30 am Morning Prayer 8 am Mass 10 am Sung Mass 6 pm Evening Prayer 7 pm Mass	TRINITY 6
Monday	8 am Morning Prayer 6 pm Evening Prayer followed by Mass	
Tuesday	6 pm Evening Prayer <i>from 28 July this will be followed by Mass</i>	<i>William Wilberforce</i>
Wednesday	<i>as Monday but with Compline at 9 pm</i>	St Mary Magdalene
Thursday	<i>as Monday</i>	
Friday	<i>as Monday</i>	
Saturday	11 am Morning Prayer followed by Mass 6 pm Evening Prayer	St James the Great

Another Zoom meeting (bring your own coffee or tea) is scheduled for **1000 on Wednesday.**
To Join Zoom Meeting at 1000 on Wednesday:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82546386442?pwd=Nklvc005SGINVldDSlJTZEFlkUT09>

Meeting ID: 825 4638 6442

Password: 4mkGii

Compline has returned to church at 9 pm on Wednesday

A reminder that although the content is under review, wherever possible, audio recordings of all services are still being shared on the church website here:

<https://www.allsaints-standrews.org.uk/category/virtualseervices/>

Thank you to Jill, Jim, and Heather for reading and leading intercessions today, Fr Ian for preaching and Andrew and Sarah for musical input.

SERVICES BY TELEPHONE

The Scottish Episcopal Church has organised coverage of some services by telephone for those who wish to use it but do not have internet access. The following guidance has been issued by the General Synod Office.

How to join the service over the telephone:

In order to hear our broadcast service by telephone there are a couple of things you need to do.

1. Call the free phone line before 11am. The line will be active from 10.45am before the Sunday service and 6.15pm before the Thursday service. In case of any difficulties, we encourage you to phone in as early as possible, although not before 10.45am on a Sunday or 6.15pm on a Thursday.
2. Once you have called the number you will be prompted to enter a "meeting ID". The number appears at the end of this email, and please note that there are two different 'meeting ID' numbers listed, one for Sunday service and one for Thursday service. Type the relevant number on your telephone keypad, then press the # (hash) key.
3. You will then be prompted to enter a participant ID. Simply ignore this request, and once again press the # key.
4. You should then hear music, and a sporadic countdown until the start of the service.
5. The service will run according to the 1982 liturgy. While you are listening you will be joining hundreds of others in worship at exactly the same time. Those who have been participating on the internet have been praying along at home, some even joining in to sing. Although the service is recorded, everyone watching or listening is worshipping at the same time. When participating in the worship, your voice will not be heard by the other participants in the meeting, this is to ensure that all callers can hear the service clearly.

If you have any problems accessing the service, please feel free to contact the General Synod Office and ask for Aidan Strange - the Digital Communications Co-ordinator - to call you back on a number you provide. He will aim to be in touch before the next service to help you resolve any problems with the telephone service.

The details are as follows:

The phone number is 0800 260 5801

Sunday Worship

Meeting ID: 817 1523 4515

Service Begins at 11am

Phone line open at 10.45am

Service lasts around 30-40 minutes

Thursday Worship

Meeting ID: 894 7162 6403

Service Begins at 6.30pm

Phone line open at 6.15am

Service lasts around 20-30 minutes

GIVING TO ALL SAINTS'

A reminder for any who would like to support All Saints' financially our bank details are:

Bank: Royal Bank of Scotland
Branch: 113 – 115 South Street, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9QB
Sort Code: 83-26-28
Account name: All Saints Episcopal Church – St Andrews
Account number: 00104363

Treasurer's contact details: Mr Ian Palfrey, 8a Howard Place, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9HL
01334 472358 treasurer@allsaints-standrews.org.uk

MALAWIAN RICE

A renewed supply of Malawian rice is available from Lil at the Rectory, should you wish to purchase some. With thanks to Margaret Duffy who first made us aware of this source of excellent, ethically-sourced food.

INTERCESSIONS

In particular need

Debbie & Priscilla White, Eleanor Ross, David McLean, Anne Zweers, *Priest*, Amy Cox, Robyn Seenan, Anne Clayton, Ian Sadler, Andrew Mate, Graham Kennedy, Robin White, Berenice Smith, Andrew Macgregor

Continuing need

Lenora Mahoney, Effie Keracher, Jonah & Chris Andrews, Gareth, Jenni & Rosalie Saunders, Judy, Ashley & Kathleen Cummins, Charles & Thomas Ware, Ann Noltie, Lawrence Reynolds, Sally-Marie Gardner, Edie, Alice Bullough, Joan Day, Janet Reid, Catherine Rowe, Bill Hyland, Samantha, Steve Scott, Angela Allaway, Lori-Mark Quate, Elizabeth Talbot, Juliet Davey, Lucy White

Residential care

Catriona, Fiona Ingham, John Shillaker, *Priest*, Marie-Louise Moffatt, *Priest*, Charlie Mather

Recently departed

Anthony Meredith, *religious*, Les Davies, Ian Ross, Bill Scott, *Priest*

Year's mind

19/7 Euene Burrough, 1996, Matthew McSeveny Cuthbert, 2010
20 William Norris MacKay, 1933, Agnes Kay Homewood, 1992
21 Ronald Simpson, 1994, Jimmie Gribben, 2010
23 Elizabeth Simpson, 1996, Georgina (Doddie) Gourlay, 1998
25 William Gourlay, 2000

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