

Sunday 11th August 2024

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

**St. Paul's
Church**
Rusthall

Collect for the Week

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Parish Eucharist (CW)

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10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre + Zoom

Lead: Daphne Pollard, Link: Karen Miller

Hymns: He who would valiant be
Seek ye first, the kingdom of God
Brother, sister let me serve you
Oh Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder

Reading: 2 Samuel 18: 5-9,15, 31-33 (NIV page 323)

6.30 pm

Junior Choir Concert



Altar Flowers at the Parish Church

The altar flowers are given today by
Christine Dent
In Loving Memory of her husband
Michael Dent and
her Mother Dorothy Hole

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 12th August

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

TUESDAY 13th *Jeremy Taylor, Bishop of Down and Connor, Teacher of the Faith, 166, Florence Nightingale, Nurse, Social Reformer, 1910*

Parish Office closed

WEDNESDAY 14th Maximillian Kolbe, Friar, Martyr, 1941

NB. No Play Time at St Paul's

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

3.00 pm Communion to Chamberlain Court

THURSDAY 15th

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

11.00 am Communion to Rusthall Lodge – May Graves

11.30 am Communion to Mount Ephraim – John Bazley

12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre

FRIDAY 16th

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

12.30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre

6.30 pm Junior Choir practice

7.30 pm Full Choir practice

SATURDAY 17th

NEXT SUNDAY 18th

12th Sunday after Trinity

8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

President and Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Parish Eucharist (CW)

Minister and Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre + Zoom

Lead: Viv Littlechild, Link: Rosemary Romano

6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)

Minister & Preacher: The Vicar

NEWS AND NOTES

From The Vicarage

Warm greetings to you all and welcome to our services today, the eleventh Sunday after Trinity. Our evening service today will be replaced by the Junior Choir Concert, during which the children will perform some of the songs that they learnt during their week-long Choir Camp. A big thank you to Fiona and her team for holding another successful Junior Choir camp.

May Almighty God continue to equip us and enable us to willingly use our talents and share our gifts for the good of others.

The Choir

What a busy time the Choir has had! The weekend at Paul's Cathedral went very well, singing at three services, Saturday Evensong, Sunday Eucharist and Evensong. It was incredibly hot but very enjoyable. On Monday we launched straight into Choir Camp with 22 children (and a great team of helpers) having a wonderful time. A huge thank you to Fiona and all involved. Please come along to the concert this evening at 6.30 pm, when you can hear music that was learnt during the Camp.

Rev. Sam Quilty

We are very pleased to learn that Sam (Pat and Ray Steven's daughter), currently an associate priest on Lindisfarne, has been offered the role of Priest-in-Charge in the Denbigh Mission areas with specific responsibility for pastoral care. She will be part of a team ministry spread across eleven rural churches within St Asaph Diocese. The Bishop of St Asaph has made the announcement. We ask you to pray for Sam and Dom as they prepare for their move to North Wales and also pray for our continued work here on the Island as we cope with the huge gap that will be felt with Sam's move.

We Need Your Help to Keep the Doors Open!

We have been trialling having the Parish Church open for a couple of hours on Saturday and Sunday, as we used to some years ago, and have found that we have received quite a few visitors. We'd like to have a rota to keep this going at least into Autumn. Can you spare a couple of hours at the weekend? 2 pm to 4 pm is an ideal time as people are out enjoying a walk especially now the new path to Happy Valley has been completed. Please let May, Rod or Elaine Bruce know if you can spare some time to help out, it would be greatly appreciated.

Playtime at St Paul's

A reminder that the group will not be meeting this Wednesday, the 14th August. We look forward to seeing everyone again the following week.

The Molyneux Almshouses are Recruiting New Trustees

The Molyneux Almshouses is a small charity based in Rusthall which provides social housing accommodation for people of limited financial means who have long term connections with Tunbridge Wells.

The new Trustees should ideally be people from the local area who are involved with the community, prepared to take responsibility for specific aspects of the Charity's work, can commit to regular meetings and activities, and will bring experience to complement the existing Trustee Board. Good people skills, the ability to communicate plus empathy, understanding and patience are essential. Most importantly, they should be someone who is enthusiastic and has the time and energy to be actively involved.

If you think that you have what it takes to become a Trustee and want to find out more, please contact Gill Prater, Chair of the Trustees, at gill.prater@molyneux-almshouses.co.uk and ask for the Trustee Information Pack. Alternatively you can phone Gill on 07563 245315.

The closing date is the 30th September 2024.

Family Service Children's Group Summer Break

All children are of still very welcome to come to the Family Service which will be running as usual. We look forward to re-starting our children's group on Sunday September 8th. Please get in touch with Mary Holmes mandmcreative.co.uk if you have any queries.

Keys

Our insurers are now asking for a list of all keyholders for the Parish Church, the Lodge and the Church Centre. If you do have keys for either/all please could you let Ginette know so that we can put this together. Thank you.

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