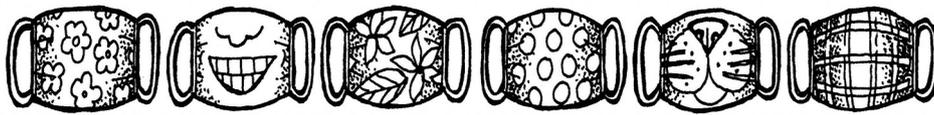




Parish of Chigwell & Chigwell Row

Notes & News

9th August 2020 : 9th Sunday after Trinity



Please remember your masks!



SUNDAY SERVICES

All of our churches are open on Sunday morning:

St Mary's	10:00am - Holy Communion (Common Worship)
All Saints'	9:30am - 11:00am - open for private prayer
St Winifred's	10:30am - Morning Worship.

If you're new or visiting, please do introduce yourself to us; we'd love to welcome you to our churches.

Sunday's readings are: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28, and Matthew 14:22-33.
Please bring your Bibles to church as we can't share the pew Bibles.

The Collect for the 9th Sunday after Trinity:

*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.*

And later...

Life Issues, 4:00pm at All Saints' Church.

This is a low-key series of short services for people of all ages, for about 45 minutes.



A time to look at a Jesus-centred response to the issues that cause many of us stress from time to time: this week, it's forgiveness.

SUNDAY ONLINE

Sunday's national online service: This week's online service is led by Rev Dr Lee Gatiss, the Director of the Church Society. In his sermon, Lee reflects on God's kindness and mercy.

See the [Church of England website](#) for further details, or the [Church of England YouTube channel](#) to add a reminder. The service streams at 9:00am, with subtitles and BSL.

From the Diocese: Encountering God in the storm? The Venerable Elizabeth Snowden, Archdeacon of Chelmsford, has recorded the [podcast](#) for Sunday 9th August.

THIS WEEK ... Open & Online

Morning Prayer is now available both in church and online: Tuesdays, 9:00am at St Winifred's, and on [Facebook Live](#) Wednesdays, 9:00am on [Facebook Live](#), and Thursdays, 9:00am at All Saints'.



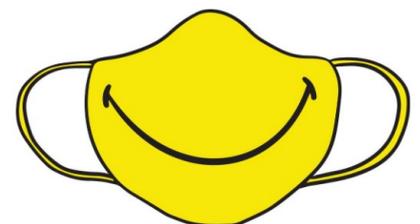
Meanwhile on our [Parish YouTube channel](#), subscribe and activate the bell notifications so that you don't miss any uploads. Use the hyperlink or search for 'Parish of Chigwell & Chigwell Row'.

This Wednesday evening, there will be another **De-Stress Service** at All Saints' from 8:15-9:00pm. An opportunity to absorb the beauty of the church building on a summer evening; slow down, receive peace, listen to some prayer and reflection, pray and have some quiet and space for your own thoughts. Simply turn up and relax, no need to say anything.

Looking after one another...

We are grateful for all those working behind the scenes to keep our buildings as safe as can be.

From this Sunday, it is mandatory to wear face coverings in church. If you are taking part at the front, you may remove it as long as you are distant from other people. At Communion, the Vicars will wear their masks during the distribution.



**FACE MASK
REQUIRED**



Please can you bring with you anything you require for the service, eg Bibles, toys for your children etc.

A plate will be at the back of the churches for the offering. You may wish to use an envelope; there are envelopes available for Gift Aid if required. At All Saints', there is a facility for contactless donations. Thank you.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Let us all join together on Wednesdays at 12:00 noon to pray for those we know and love.



Please pray for:

- ✝ *Vacancy:* please continue praying, God has His hand on the right person.
- ✝ *St Mary's:* we pray for those who have felt unable to rejoin us since the lockdown, those who have ailments that prevents them, and those too anxious to leave their homes. Please Lord give them strength to heal in body, mind and spirit. We continue to pray that a second wave is prevented by people following the social distancing rules.
- ✝ *All Saints':* we pray for those who have turned to the Church and visited our Church porch and other parts of the site recently as they seek help and peace from the Lord, may they explore becoming a bigger and more permanent part of the Church.
- ✝ *St Winifred's:* we pray for Siobhan, Hazel, Tarun, Tianna, Sylvie, Ade, and Jean-Louis. We pray also for Heather and Heather, following the loss of Heather Snr's husband.

AROUND THE CHURCHES

St Mary's: Last call: if anyone wishes to have the names of people buried in the churchyard or memorial garden put in the Remembrance Book, please see Alison.

All Saints': Thank you to everyone who has been busy behind the scenes looking after our buildings and grounds, and we look forward to welcoming you back to church.

St Winifred's: Now we're open again, we look forward to seeing you coming back!



SERMONETTE

One of the readings set for Sunday is Romans 10:5-15. Romans is a book deep in theology at the best of times, and I recall in a home group of my younger days that our study of Romans omitted chapters 9-11 as being too difficult! However, there's another earworm of a Kidz Club song in v9, where the lyrics say:



*If you confess with your mouth Jesus is Lord,
and you believe in your heart, God raised Him from the dead,
you will be saved, be saved, be saved.*

*Romans 10 verse 9, salvation is yours and mine, confess and believe,
you will be saved, be saved, be saved.*

The verses in Scripture go on to say: '... it is with your heart that you believe ... and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith...'

One of the things common to all our liturgical services is an acclamation of faith, which may take the form of saying one of the Creeds or a more simplified version. In saying the words together, we are identifying with one another our unity of belief in the gospel, not just united with those present with us, or members of our church, but with believers through the centuries. And then, if the Lord doesn't return first, we are to pass on the faith to those who come behind us. In the letter of Jude, v3, it says: 'contend for the faith that was once for all entrusted to God's holy people'.

The reading from Romans draws to a close with the challenge to Christians through the ages: 'How ... can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard?'

We have been entrusted with the faith, and with the task of telling others. There's a smartphone app called '[GodTools](#)' which incorporates the tract 'Knowing God Personally' which many of us have carried in our back pocket for years! These days we are extra careful about passing on paper, but you could direct someone to their app store so they can download it free for themselves, and it's available in many languages.

'Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope you have.' 1 Peter 3:15.

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