ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, SANDFORD ON THAMES

June 2021

www.sandfordchurch.org.uk

Refugee Week 14th – 20th June

At the 10.0 Communion service on Sunday 6th June our preacher will be Nicky Barnetson (Day), who some will remember lived in Church Road until a few years ago. Nicky is now Education and Employment Coordinator at Asylum Welcome in Oxford – one of the charities we support as a church. We look forward to seeing her back here.



Other local online events:

Imagine Oxfordshire with Refugee Resource:
Sharing insights, poetry & stories from staff, volunteers, clients and supporters about refugee experiences in Oxfordshire. Thursday 18th June 6.30 – 8.0 p.m.

Narratives of Hope, Solidarity and resilience: a panel discussion guided by Basma El Doukhi, a young stateless refugee who made her way to the UK to study at Oxford Brookes. Friday 19th June from 5.0 – 7.0 p.m.

More information from

https://www.oxford.gov.uk/news/article/1461/how_to_support_refugee_week_in_oxford

Bishop Steven's blog

https://blogs.oxford.anglican.org/

For Zoomers -

more information on joining in: http://www.littlemorechurch.org/whats-on.html Silent Prayer

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays at 7.0 a.m.

Contemplative Prayer

Thursdays at 7.0 p.m. fortnightly

St Andrew's Annual Meeting:
a suggested date for our meeting is after
the 10.0 service on Sunday 11th July.
Date to be confirmed on website
and in July pewsheet.

Churches Count on Nature 5th- 13th June

Because burial grounds have been a dedicated green space for centuries, their plant and animal life is often rich and diverse. Could you take time (15 minutes, an hour, or you can sit there all week!) to record species you see and add them to a database, to build a picture of the natural richness around us.

You just need to jot down basic information on what you see, when and where - all records are useful, even of common plants, grasses, insects, birds or other wildlife. You can then enter your notes on www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk.

We have done with dogma and divinity, Easter and Whitsun past, The long, long Sundays after Trinity, Are with us at last; The passionless Sundays after Trinity, Neither feast-day nor fast.

Christmas comes with plenty, Lent spreads out its pall, But these are five and twenty, The longest Sundays of all; The placid Sundays after Trinity, Wheat-harvest, fruit-harvest, Fall.

Spring with its burst is over, Summer has had its day, The scented grasses and clover Are cut, and dried into hay; The singing-birds are silent, And the swallows flown away.

From 'After Trinity' by John Meade Falkner

We meet for the Sunday services

masked, socially distanced and with all the recommended Covid precautions and hygiene in place.

Those who would like to wait a little longer before joining us

could join Littlemore church's Sunday Zoom service:

get the link by emailing admin@littlemorechurch.org

SUNDAYS in June 2021 Year B

Sunday 6th June Trinity 1 Proper 5 Refugee Week Preacher: Nicky Barnetson

10.0 a.m. Parish Communion

- 1 Sam 8 Religion and politics: the people want a popular leader. The prophet Samuel warns them of the dangers. The people refuse to listen.
- 2 Cor. 4.13-5.1 Paul goes to the heart of the gospel and takes courage. God's grace extends.

Matthew 25: 31 – 46 Inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.

6.30 p.m. Evening prayer

Sunday 13th June Trinity 2 Proper 6

10.0 a.m. Parish Communion

- 1 Samuel 15.34-16.13 Samuel is disappointed with Saul's rule so anoints David to succeed him and God's Spirit comes on to David.
- 2 Corinthians 5.6-10 and 14-17 Paul has confidence in God, whether he lives or dies. He is driven on by God's love for all shown us in Christ's self-giving. That enables us too to live not for ourselves but for him. That is God's new creation.

Mark 4.26-34 Jesus compares God's rule ('kingdom') to a seed that grows.

6.30 p.m. Evening prayer

Sunday 20th June Trinity 3 Proper 7

10.0 a.m. Parish Communion

- 1 Samuel 17.32-49 David takes on the Philistine Goliath when everyone else is scared.
- Or 1 Samuel 17.57-18-16 David is introduced at Saul's court. Jonathan falls in love with him. Saul tries to kill David who was so popular with the people and a good leader.
- 2 Corinthians 6.1-13 Paul recalls the difficulties and the joys of his ministry in a plea to his congregation in Corinth.

Mark 4.35-41 The stilling of a storm. The disciples were short on faith, but have to ask: Who is this . . .?

6.30 p.m. Evening prayer

Sunday 27th June Trinity 4 Proper 8

10.0 a.m. Parish Communion

- 2 Samuel 1.17-27 David's lament over Saul and Jonathan killed in battle against the Philistines 'How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war perished'.
- 2 Corinthians 8.7-15 Paul urges his congregation to be generous in giving for the poor, reminding them that Jesus became poor for their sakes to make them spiritually rich.

Mark 5.21-43 Jesus revives and heals Jairus' daughter and the woman with a long term disability.

6.30 p.m. Evening prayer

O God,

the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal:

Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord.

Amen.

BCP collect for Trinity 4

Among the many people who need our prayers, please especially keep in mind

those we know who are unwell,

especially Jayne, Jean Lee and Gwen Beaver;

all those in care, including **Joan Inston, Tom Dalton, Betsy Livingstone** and **Brenda Graham,** and residents of Vale House, especially **Gwyneth, Father John Bagley and the staff who care for them.**

Rest in peace

Malcolm Bourner