



All Saints, Mudeford



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Sunday 22nd November 2020 Christ The King

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What does it mean to be a king? The role of the monarchy has changed. Today's monarchs are figureheads. In the past kings were political and military leaders with dictatorial powers. This was true of kings in Old Testament days. The disciples initially thought along with their fellow Jews that the future Messiah would sit on King David's throne. They looked upon Him as one who would drive out the Roman occupying powers and restore the nation of Israel. Gradually their view of Jesus as the promised Messiah changed as they observed his unregal behaviour -riding into Jerusalem on a donkey, washing their feet at the Last Supper and his determination to tread the way of the Cross. But for the triumph of His rising on Easter Day they could have easily dismissed any prospect of Him being their Messianic king. However, now they could accept the notion of His being a Servant king whose right to rule had been won through His suffering and death. Before developing this theme we need to recognise Christ the King's role in CREATION.



HIS CREATION ROLE: See John 1,1 - 4 etc. 'All things came into being through Him 'What has come into being in Him..' And we read in Colossians 1,15 : 'He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created . . .' Our hymns and spiritual songs express this theme e.g. Jesus is Lord, creation's voice proclaims it ' and 'O worship the king all glorious abovethe earth with its store of wonders untold almighty Thy power hath founded of old.'

HIS REDEEMER ROLE

Through His Resurrection and Ascension Jesus Christ is now enthroned in the heavenly realm where His further role has begun. See today's epistle Ephesians 4,17-21 along with Philipians 2,7 -11. To read Paul's intricate and profound prayer for the Ephesians one might conclude that the human Jesus is now remote from us as the Ascended Christ. But he is actually close to us. There's a saying ' Jesus Christ cannot be Lord at all unless He is Lord of all.'

We are tempted to wonder whether God is really in control of events and that Christ's kingdom will triumph over all. Why are there earthquakes and famines , conflicts and wars St Paul in Romans 8,22, anticipated this question and offers his reassurance in 8.35 'Who shall separate us from the love of God-shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? Jesus Himself spoke of wars and rumours of wars, earthquakes and famine until the end of time in Matthew 24 . But the Holy Spirit gave St John a vision of a new Heaven and a new Earth where righteousness, justice and peace would prevail and there would be an end to sorrow, suffering and death.

The saintly George Herbert wrote in his famous hymn 'KING OF GLORY KING OF PEACE I WILL LOVE THEE . . . AND THE CREAM OF ALL MY HEART I WILL GIVE THEE.' AMEN.

by David Greenman

Collect God our Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.
Amen

Post Communion prayer for "stir up Sunday"
Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sunday Service on line from 7am Sunday
Sermon by Rev David Greenman
Reading: Ephesians 1:15-end by Maggie & Megan
Gospel: John 1: 1-14
Prayers with Vikki Miller

Our internet services, prayers, and talks are posted on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/parishofmudeford/> and on You Tube Channel.
Both of these can be accessed from our web site at www.allsaintsmudeford.org

In our Parish

We continue to ask for God's healing presence in the lives of those who are unwell, those in hospital and those waiting for treatment.

We remember especially Marion, Amanda, Catherine, Canon Patrick, Berry, Sarah, Liz, David, Sheila, Tony, Doreen, Margaret, Angela D, Robert Sumpner, Nolene, Heather, Stephen and A. We remember all those suffering from Covid 19 and those who care for them.



We pray for the Faithful Departed and all those who mourn.

We pray for all those whose are struggling with lockdown rules. We pray for those who are suffering through the loss of their livelihoods.

We remember those who are lonely and afraid of the future, thinking particularly of those in care homes, separated from their families.

We pray for all those working to relieve the hardship of those who cannot help themselves remembering the tireless work of the Foodbank which is helping many people in need in our area.

We give thanks for those striving to produce an effective vaccine and pray that their efforts will come to fruition soon to help to prevent more suffering.

We continue to pray for our missionary links around the world. We hold in our prayers especially: The girls in The House of Joy, the people of Kinkiizi, the Julius and Dora Children's Centre in Kenya, Chris & Veronica Padayachee our CMS link partners. We pray the work of St Francis Hospital, Zambia. We also remember Jeremy Nash and the people of Burkina Faso in West Africa.

A reminder for those not on the internet

Archbishop Justin Welby has a phone line for you. It's **free**. Dial **0800 804 8044** and you will hear a message and a prayer from him and a well known hymn sung and then the history of the hymn and a prayer. It's very easy to access.

Gifts for the Homeless

There will be boxes in Church throughout November for gifts to 'Mary's Men'. Church will be open for private prayer between 10 and 2pm each day.

Pastoral Care:

Please contact: Rev Anne Jablonski
01425 240018
or Tony Eden 01202 473003

If you are in need of shopping please get in contact with us to help arrange for someone to contact you. If you are able to shop for someone please let us know.

Priest-in-Charge of Mudeford

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Church Opening

We are no longer able to hold services in church. However the church will be open for private prayer each day between 10am and 2pm.

Our Vision for Mission

This Parish seeks to be inclusive in extending God's kingdom, by encouraging the whole community to grow in the Christian faith through prayer and worship and to care for others through pastoral and practical support.

FINANCE: As we are in lockdown once again, please may I ask for your continued financial support. Please send donations in cash or cheque to me Tony Eden at, 3, Minterne Road, Christchurch, BH23 3LD making cheques payable to "The PCC of Mudeford.". If you use the BACS system you can send donations directly to the following account:

The PCC of Mudeford

Sort Code: 52-21-34

Account no: 03060012

Reference: please use your name as reference.

We are truly grateful for all the support that we have been given this year, which has enabled us to continue paying our bills. We hope that we can continue to do this in 2021. Thank you very much.

Tony - Treasurer

MISSION POT:

Our Mission Pot this month of November is for the work of **The Royal British Legion**. We have been reminded that their finances have been hit hard this year because they have not been able to have the usual street collections. You can send a donation to All Saints Church or you can text money through directly. Thank you

The Anchor

Christmas may be rather different this year and we may still have restrictions on meeting in large numbers. It would be great if we could share our Christmas memories in The Anchor instead. So whether you have fond memories of a childhood Christmas, Christmas abroad or a particularly spiritual or moving Christmas experience please send a few lines to Vikki Miller at bob_and_vikki@yahoo.co.uk. If you do not have email you can drop a handwritten note in to church and it will find its way to me, I am sure. The deadline is 26th November.

All Saints Church Calendar 2021 is now available at £5

This year's Calendar has been produced by Ann and Paul Smith.
It includes stunning photographs of their outings in Mudeford,
The New Forest and the surrounding areas.

The Calendar can be delivered to your home
Contact Judy or Tony on 01202 473003
or email anthony.eden84@btinternet.com
to reserve your copy

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