



All Saints, Mudeford



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Weekly News Sheet



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Sunday 17th January 2021

Second Sunday of Epiphany

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Communication has always been vital, and in today's world it is a great challenge to have truthful and unbiased information. The consequences of the misuse of media are there for us to see in the events of the past few days in the US. However, the challenges of communication are present in all aspects of our life, whether it is communicating with other people or with God. As Jesus in our gospel reading stands at the beginning of his ministry it is easy to just to see the calling of the disciples, but it is far more than that. The clue is in the last two verses when Jesus tells Nathaniel he will see far great things and also makes reference to the Old Testament's account of Jacob's dream.



It tells us who Jesus is, the very dwelling place of God, come to fulfil the renewal of God's message to his people. The disciples will be a critical part of this as indeed we are still today. However, let's return to the vision of Jacob's dream the ascending and descending of the angels. If you go to Bath Abbey you will see on the façade the great carving of the vision itself, on one side the angels ascend and on the other they descend. In prayer we ascend that ladder to God in imparting our concerns and our love for him. In descent God supports and nurtures us through the Holy Spirit. Life can seem rather like the old fashioned game of snakes and ladders as the throw of the dice either pushes us on our way or we slide down the snake. What we can be sure of is that God is with us now and always through the dark times and the good times.

Rona Duncan

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Online Service from 7am Sundays

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

Online Service for 17th January from 7am

Service of the Word with Andy Saunders & Rona Duncan

Reading Genesis 28: 10-19 by Dominic Phillips

Gospel reading John 1: 43 – 51

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, Canon Patrick, Sarah, Liz, David, Sheila, Tony, Doreen, Angela, Robert, Stephen, Betty, John, Joan and Michelle.

We pray for the Faithful Departed and all those who mourn. We remember all those suffering from Covid 19 especially those known to us and those who care for them. We pray for all those who are suffering from loneliness and anxiety facing the latest lockdown. May we always be aware of those in need and offer help when needed.

We pray that the vaccination process will give hope to many people and pray for all those working to distribute it throughout the country.

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.



Date for your diary

Lent Course. Our Lent course this year will be "Trees in the Bible". Revd Stephen Startup has prepared 6 sessions which will probably start around Tuesday 23rd February (Ash Wednesday is on 17th February). The study considers six trees which illustrate God's plan of salvation. So if you have any photos, drawings, paintings or poems on trees, each week there will be space to have a look at some of these.

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 Mundeford

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There are a few church calendars left for anyone who would like one.
Please contact Tony on 01202 473003

MISSION POT: This month (January) the Government is doubling all contributions made to Practical Action, so please continue to support this very worthwhile charity. Whilst working in Zambia, I have seen a number of projects organised by Practical Action, from providing clean water in very remote communities to methods of improving crop growth. They are all simple schemes which the local people adopt for themselves to improve their standard of living".

You can send a donation to All Saints Church or you can text money through directly. Thank you.

FINANCE: 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 Mundeford.". If you use the BACS system you can send donations directly to the following account:

The PCC of Mundeford, 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.

The Anchor

The Editors would like your contributions to February's Anchor.

The theme is **Love** with Valentine's Day in mind. Possible ideas include an unusual proposal of marriage, a romantic meal or anniversary or a special song or place. Other kinds of love are important too and we would love to hear about those, not least on the theme of kindness to one another.

The deadline is Thursday 21st January. bob_and_vikki@yahoo.co.uk or jfaward@btinternet.com

Church Closure.

We are sorry that we have had to decide to keep the church closed for public worship until Ash Wednesday due to the pandemic and the rapid increase in the virus in Mudeford and the surrounding area.

The PCC will have another special meeting on 2nd February to review the situation. This is in line with our neighbouring Anglican churches.

We will be continuing to post services, prayers and "Messy Church" items on line.

Ash Wednesday is during half term when hopefully the schools will be able to go back. This is 6 weeks which is the same length as Lent so might be a useful time of reflection and hopefully Pancake day will be a different type of celebration and Lent a time of thanksgiving.

Jan suggested that as we can't meet up we could light a candle in our window each night at 6pm for the NHS and carers and say a prayer for them at this difficult time. More about this in the next Anchor.

Improved lighting and new audio visual system coming to All Saints Church

A scheme to improve the lighting and provide a new Audio Visual system in the church has been given the go ahead. During February the contractors will be making the final plans to start work, which we hope will commence in March.

When finished, the scheme will enable services to be filmed live and sent out on Facebook and You Tube. This is a very exciting development and presents many new possibilities for the way we worship. More details will appear in the February magazine.



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please contact Pauline
and you might be able to
collect the items from
her front porch

Pauline's contact number is: 01202 241395

Cards by Rachel Nash

Rachel is still selling her beautiful greetings cards with profits going to Burkino Faso. Her email address is

rachel.nash.cards@gmail.com

She delivers to your door or you can pick them up at Pauline's

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.