



All Saints, Mudeford



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

The Parish of Mudeford

Weekly News Sheet



High Cross Somerford

Sunday 21st March 2021

5th Sunday of Lent

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Passion Sunday John 12.20-33, Hebrews 5.5-10



'We want to see Jesus', said the Greeks who were in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover. The city was bursting with people from all over the Middle East and Mediterranean to celebrate God saving his people from slavery in Egypt 1300 years before. Now there was a new saviour in town – only days before Jesus had raised Lazarus from the dead. Everyone wanted to see him.

The Greeks didn't approach Jesus directly, but they went through Philip, who then asked Andrew, both of whom had Greek names. Andrew had brought other people to Jesus. First, his brother Simon, then the little boy with five loaves and two fish at the feeding of the 5,000 and now these Greeks. We don't hear much more about Andrew, but he was good at bringing people to Jesus. What a lovely thing to be remembered for. I wonder who first brought you to Jesus.

Jesus does not rush off immediately to meet them. Instead, it seems to trigger the thought that his hour has come to be glorified. The crowd have welcomed him into Jerusalem as a king on a donkey – he knows he will be glorified through his death, resurrection and ascension. That is where his love is revealed.

Jesus continues with these puzzling words, 'Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies it remains just a single grain; but if it dies it bears much fruit. Jesus is thinking of his own death bearing much fruit – countless people brought into friendship with God.

As Jesus is lifted up from the earth on the cross he will draw all people to himself, including those Greeks who were asking to see him – we, like those Greeks, won't just see Jesus at a distance but we will be drawn to him by his love.

Jesus has difficult words for his followers, 'Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.' We too must die to living for ourselves, our own comfort, our own security in order to find life in Jesus. But they are followed by wonderful words of comfort, 'Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.'

But Jesus was troubled. And this is picked up in the reading from the book of Hebrews. The writer wants us to know that Jesus, was a king and a priest, he was the unique Son of God and yet he suffered, wept and died as a fully human being and 'his death was the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.'

We all want to see Jesus but here Jesus makes it clear that we don't just see him with our eyes as an observer – to really see Jesus we need to participate in his life, his death and resurrection. So as we follow Jesus in this Passiontide season leading up to Good Friday and then Easter Day may we truly see him in all his self-giving love and glory and be part of it.

Rev Anne

The Collect Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, Amen

Prayer after Communion. Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. Amen

Online Service for 21st March from 7am

Sermon: Rev Anne Jablonski

Reading: Heb 5: 5-10 Stephen Hart

Holy Communion

Gospel: John 12.20-33 Revd. Andrew

Prayers: Rona Duncan

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, Michelle, Diana, Richard, Brenda and Ann.



We pray for the Faithful Departed and all those who mourn especially those who have lost loved ones during the pandemic.

We pray for children and young people as they resume full time education remembering those who are unable to start back at school because they are still shielding. We pray for the teachers and all those who help care for the children.

We give thanks for all those working on the front line especially those who risk their lives working in Hospitals and care homes. We pray for protection for them and remember especially Katie.

We pray for the future of our Parish, for Anne & Andrew, the churchwardens and the PCC and all those whose are working towards the continuity of our Mission here in Mudeford

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 And also remember Jeremy Nash and the people of Burkina Faso in West Africa. We pray for the Anglican Church in Myanmar, for Archbishop Stephen and his family, Bishop David Nyi Nyi Naing, his family and his diocese of Mandalay where there has been violence and much political unrest.

Church Opening

The PCC has decided to open the church for worship from Sunday 28th March which is Palm Sunday with services at 8am and 10am. There have been delays in the church lighting and audio/visual system so that will not be fully ready for 28th. It seems that there will be no speaker or loop system working but the church should be safe to use. There will be social distancing and the need for face masks and still no singing.

The service will start in the church as we cannot have a Palm Sunday procession.

Palm crosses will be distributed and will be available at church.

Holy Week

It is hoped that the church will be open for private prayer between 10 and 12 each day in Holy Week.

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.

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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

This Week online

Monday: Mothers Union Prayers

Tuesday: Lent Course — The Olive Tree

Thursday: Messy Church

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 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 over the past year, which has enabled us to continue paying our bills. We hope that we can continue to do this in 2021.

APPEAL: I am delighted to say that we have reached our target of raising £10,000 towards the improved lighting and the new AV system. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this project.

Tony - Church Treasurer

Lovedy has a recliner chair she would like to pass on to someone. If you are interested please contact her or Maggie. 01425 616652 maggi-eraine@aol.com

MISSION POT:

In March we will be supporting

The Leprosy Mission.

The Christian Leprosy Mission's project this year is for Community Hubs in Mozambique where villagers can get treatment and education about leprosy. The UK Gov match funding scheme is from now until 24th April.

Lent Course. The Lent course continues with "Trees in the Bible"

The Zoom sessions are on Tuesdays during Lent and the course is available both online and in a paper version. See the webpage at: <https://allsaintsmudeford.org/trees-in-the-bible-lent-2021/>

If anyone wants a paper version please call Judy or Tony on 01202 473003. If you would like to join in the Zoom session ask Maggie and she will send you a link.

Cards by Rachel Nash

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

rchel.nash.cards@gmail.com

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



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

Pauline's contact number is: 01202 241395

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.