



All Saints, Mudeford



## The Parish of Mudeford Weekly News Sheet



High Cross Somerford

**Sunday 2nd May 2021**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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### **Easter 5 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8**

#### **Abide in God's love & you will bear much fruit**

When the apostle John was very old and could no longer preach he was carried into his congregation at Ephesus and encouraged them. 'Little children', he would say, 'Love one another.'

The word 'love', or some form of it, appears 27 times in these 15 verses which form the heart of the letter.

Love is at the heart of God, love is at the centre of his purposes for the human race; in fact, 'God is love'. John says twice in this passage. It's not just that God loves, but that the essence of God's being is love. Everything about God, all that he says and does, springs out of love. God loves us because that is his nature. We know God loves us because God sent his Son Jesus, in the flesh, to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

As we gaze upon the cross we can contemplate the extent of God's love for us. As we read this letter, we are exhorted to love one another, because love comes from God.

No-one has ever seen God, but when his followers love each other, he lives (abides) in them and amongst them and he is revealed to a watching world.

Abiding is a theme of the gospel reading. The word appears 7 times in this reading.

The vine was the supreme image of the people of God. Israel was the 'vine brought out of Egypt' and planted by God (Psalm 80:8). Regrettably most references suggest a lack of fruitfulness. Jesus, as the 'true vine', is the true Israel, the one on whom God's purposes are resting and his followers are the true people of God.

The word used for pruning means to clean up and is the same word as that used in v3 'you are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you'. Healthy branches, which remain attached to the vine, are pruned to make them even more fruitful. Pruning is painful and unpleasant but necessary to become more fruitful.

Abide in me, as I abide in you. We have to make a conscious decision to abide in Jesus, as we set time aside to pray and feed on his word.

As we abide in Jesus, he promises to abide in us and we will bear much fruit, the fruit of the spirit – love joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.

As we abide in Jesus, he will produce the fruit, as we love one another; his life will be revealed to the world and God will be glorified.

*Rev Anne Jablonski*

**Collect** Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

**Post Communion Prayer** Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

**On line Service:** The 10am service will be streamed live onto YouTube. This should start about 5 minutes beforehand. A little while after the service it will become available as a video that you can watch at any time.

**Sunday Holy communion at 8am and 10am**

**Readings:** 1 John 4: 7-21

**Gospel :** John 15:1-8

**Prayers:** Tony



## 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. We continue to hold Heather and her family in our prayers. We ask God's blessing on her, her children and grandchildren as they mourn the loss of John. Also we pray for the family and friends of John Whatling who died suddenly remembering especially Maureen.

The funeral of Michael Reid will take place in church on Friday 14th May in church. Michael Reid was a resident of Avon Reach for 5 years and his family is local. We remember them in our prayers.

**We pray** for our country as the lockdown begins to ease, that people will take care while enjoying a bit more freedom. We give thanks for the continuing success of the vaccination program which seems to be making a real difference to the spread of infection.

**We pray** for the future of our Parish, for Anne & Andrew as they prepare for their retirement. We pray for guidance for the churchwardens and the PCC as they work 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 for 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.

## Pastoral Care

We are delighted to let you know that Jill Duncan has agreed to take on the role of Pastoral Team Leader. Anthea had stepped down from the role of leading Pastoral Ministry over a year ago and we thank her and recognise all the work that she did and continues to do. Jill's role may well be fairly different in co-ordinating the work of the pastoral team and interacting with the teams running the various church ministries. This is going to be a great support to Churchwardens Gill and Chris during the Interregnum. Thank you Jill for taking on this role.

### MISSION POT:

Our donations during May will go to

***Christian Aid.***

See The Anchor magazine for more details.

### Online Services

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](http://www.allsaintsmudeford.org)

### 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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Email: [andrewjab@googlemail.com](mailto:andrewjab@googlemail.com)

### Associate Priest

Revd Anne Jablonski 01425 240018

### ALL SAINTS MINI MARKET

Saturday July 3rd

Please put this date in your diary and support this outdoor event.

Jan Gilbey is the organiser and would be grateful for any contributions of handmade / hand grown items to sell on the stalls.

**Helpers are invited to a planning meeting on Monday 17th May in the church hall at 10am.**

**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 continue to be given. It is through your continuing support that we have been able to meet all our commitments. Thank you very much.

**Tony - Church Treasurer**

### **The Anchor**

The May edition of the church magazine is available now with lots of tributes to Revs Anne & Andrew. Magazines will be delivered as usual for those who are not yet coming to church. The magazine is available on line. Copies are also available in church.

### **Volunteers for Coffee Rota**

Gill is drawing up the coffee rota for Sunday mornings hoping we may be able to meet again soon. She would like **volunteers to help with this please.**

If you were on the list before and haven't spoken to Gill or would like to go on the rota please contact her.

phillipsgang4@btinternet.com

### **Food Bank News**

Tracy Bick from Christchurch Food Bank+ says that from 1st May, there will be work being carried out on the old St Joseph's church building, as they have raised funds to have it converted into extra foodbank space which will be great. But at the moment, they will have to run the foodbank from the garage at the side and use some furniture storage space for food too. The work will take about 3 months.

### **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](mailto:rachel.nash.cards@gmail.com) She delivers to your door or you can pick them up at Pauline's house.



**TRAIDCRAFT**  
Fighting poverty through trade

**If you would like any Traidcraft food items please contact Pauline 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.*

