# ALL SAINTS NEWS

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# Archbishop Justin Welby and the leaders of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church



The Archbishop of Canterbury welcomed the Primate of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine\*, His Beatitude Metropolitan Epifaniy, and His Eminence Archbishop Yevstratiy Zoria, Archbishop of Chernihiv and Nizhyn to Lambeth Palace on July 7 th, , to express his solidarity with the people of Ukraine and to spend time in conversation, prayer, and worship. During the midday Eucharist in the Crypt Chapel at Lambeth Palace Archbishop Justin knelt to receive a blessing from Metropolitan Epifaniy.

In the homily Archbishop Justin said: 'It is a very great privilege to share this Eucharist with His Beatitude and His Eminence.. They are brothers in Christ, but above all they come from a Church which is suffering - and to share with Christians who suffer leads us deeper into the understanding of the Cross of Christ. In our meeting, we have spoken mainly of love. His Beatitude was saying that people say he is always talking about love. That is a sign of the grace of God, but in our readings I want to pick out two particular aspects both of which come from love. Hosea the prophet was prophesying of judgement because in prosperity the people had forgotten God. We may say that in much of western Europe in the last 70 years, especially the last 40 years, we have forgotten God and been too comfortable. But what God says, the picture that is given is of a parent with a child and the parent says to the child 'you've walked away from me but I taught you to walk'. We have a new grandson and in a year or so his mother will be teaching him to walk. I watch our son and daughter-in-law with their new baby and you see the love that comes immediately. And God says through the prophet, 'I can't forget this love, you've gone wrong but I can't forget your love'.

Jesus speaking to his disciples picks up this theme and says, 'as you have received, so give'. We know that in the Book of Job, Job says 'naked I came into the world and naked I will leave'. We bring nothing to the world and we leave with nothing except what we receive from God, which is his love, which we are to give generously. Notice in what Jesus says, when you go into a house, before you know how they will receive you, bless the house with your peace, and then if it is not a place of peace your peace will return to you.' We know that we are in the presence of those who bear the heavy burden of leadership, in war. Let us pray that our love for them and their people, and our peace with which we bless them, may strengthen them in the difficult and stony path they travel at this time. Amen.

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In a prayer of intercession during the service, Archbishop Justin said: "We ask, O God, for peace in Ukraine, for the defeat of evil, for the end of suffering of the people and for the end of the need for young people to give their lives. We pray for churches meeting the needs of people. We pray for your mercy, O God."



\*The Orthodox Church of Ukraine follows the rite of the Eastern Orthodox Church and was recognised by the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople in 2018 and granted the decree of ecclesial independence) on 5 January 2019. In our neighbourhood a number of families are hosting Ukrainian families. St John's School currently has six Ukrainian children and three more are already enrolled for September. The school has also been able to recruit a Ukrainian tutor whom they hope will enable them to offer additional support to those who have other needs beyond learning the new language. The Local Authority estimates that we are about halfway through the wave of arrivals. The Diocesan News website this month has information on Ukraine and on the refugee situation in general.

# Forecourt Improvements to begin next week.

Work will start on the forecourt on Monday July 18th 2022.

Whilst the work is undertaken to the main forecourt (which will probably take 5 weeks) access to the church will be via the Richard Chapel therefore Wednesday and Friday Mass will be said in the Main church at least for the duration of the work.

Visitor access to the Atrium, Office and Randall Room will be through the rear of the main church.

Regrettably there will be no accessible entrance during the work but once completed the outcome will represent a huge improvement: a safer and better entrance for everyone and a significant enhancement in the visual appearance of the church.

Our considerable thanks are due for their support to the trustees of the All Saints Endowments who have generously agreed to fund the work.



# Early Worship Sunday 9am



Early Worship at All Saints offers a short service designed for anyone from 0 to 100 who is up and about at 9am! This often suits families and those who entertain friends or need to travel on a Sunday. The content of Early Worship is based on a Church of England publication New Patterns of Worship (2014) which provides an authorized Service of the Word and suggestions for a shortened form of Holy Communion, which we celebrate on the first and third Sundays of the month. The primary object is to enable the whole congregation to come into the presence of God to give him glory

The Reading from Holy Scripture is at the heart of the Service and together with the season, usually determines the theme of the rest of the worship. Members of the congregation are encouraged to participate via the Intercession prayers , the Reading, and spoken responses to Confession and Creed. We are building a common repertoire of familiar hymns to suit the liturgical seasons and where possible to reflect the theme of the Reading. We have also included some of the sung elements of the regular 10.30 Parish Mass — in this way creating a bridge between the two services. Early Worship normally takes place in the Richard Chapel, but we may be moving to 'under the gallery' in the main church while work on the forecourt is in progress.



If you have yet to experience Early Worship, you may be interested in a recent 'vox pop' we did after a service.

One of our more mature congregants said: 'I enjoy the relaxed atmosphere - it doesn't matter if someone is a bit late. I also enjoy the involvement of the children. The choice of hymns is good; for example, Make me a channel of your peace. I like having an alternating format: service of the Word alternating with Mass. I also like the involvement of lay members of the congregation, to lead and take part in the service. Altogether, it feels like family!'

We asked some **visitors to the church** for their impressions of the service. They normally worship at Westbury on Trym, but recently came on a U3A tour of All Saints and wanted to come to Early Worship. They said: 'It's like a house Mass, friendly and relaxed. We were surprised and delighted to be singing hymns - we would not expect this at a smaller, more informal service.'

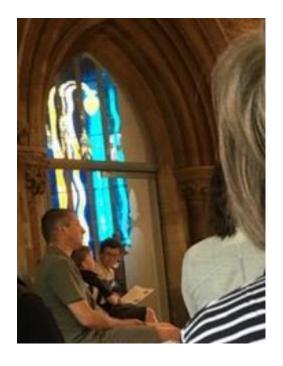
We talked to **someone who used to worship** at All Saints but moved to Australia. They are here for a family visit. Their comments were: 'The service is small and intimate. The ordinand gave a good talk. It was nice to be back, after a long time away. The atmosphere was very welcoming

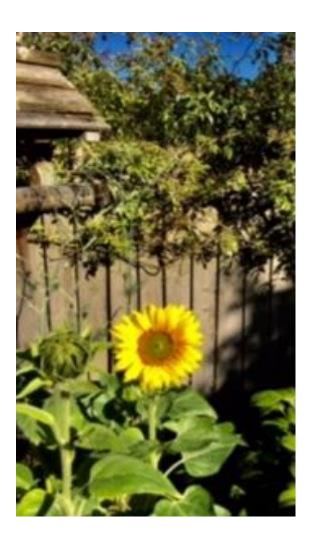
'We also asked the **youngest member of the congregation** (aged 3) for his thoughts.

He and his Mum agreed that: He loves singing the Gloria and likes the hymns. 'Make me a channel of your peace' is a favourite, as he knows it was chosen for his baptism. He likes seeing other children, particularly the babies who sometimes come. He always likes putting out the candle on the altar at the end of the service, and lighting a special candle for his Nana afterwards. He often asks if it's time to go home soon!









Here comes the sunflower!

Grown from the seeds distributed on Mothering Sunday – this is the first to bloom among those that survived the snails, slugs, pigeons etc who munched happily through many of the plants.

If you planted some seeds , how did yours get on?

And here comes the sun .....



Oh, to be in Scotland? (only 19 degrees on Friday July 15th) or do you love the heat?

Does anyone remember the 1976 heatwave that seemed to to go and on - sharing baths, hose pipe bans, dried up reservoirs and queuing for water?

The 1976 heatwave was rare then, but heatwaves have increased in frequency. Between 1961 and 1990, the threshold for Bristol was 26 degrees, and for North Somerset it was 25 degrees . For most of the UK it is now between 25C and 28C.

Even Edinburgh has a forecast of 27 degrees for Monday 18th July. Please take care of yourselves and heed the advice on keeping as cool as possible.

# Heatwave prayer

God, as the heat of summer intensifies, we pray for those without air conditioning or electricity, clean water, and health care. For all of our neighbours in "survival mode", give them the communities and resources to not only survive, but to thrive this summer.

from 'sojourning' website

# Statue of Saint Swithun in Stavanger Cathedral by Stinius Fredriksen, 1962



# St Swithin.

Swithin, Swithin also spelled Swithun, (born c. 800—died July 2, 862, Winchester, Hampshire, England; feast day July 15), celebrated Anglo-Saxon saint, bishop of Winchester, and royal counsellor whose name is still associated with an old meteorological superstition

There are more than forty churches dedicated to St Swithun, found throughout the south of England and in western Norway, where Stavanger Cathedral is dedicated to him. He is also commemorated at St Swithin's Lane in the City of London (site of the former church of St Swithin, London

Statue of St Swithun the crypt of Winchester Cathedral



Swithun was initially buried out of doors, rather than in his cathedral, apparently at his own request. William of Malmsbury recorded that the bishop left instructions that his body should be buried outside the church, where it might be subject to the feet of passers-by and to the raindrops pouring from on high], which has been taken as indicating that the legend was already well known in the 12th century.



The concert last Friday to raise funds for the Nepali Children's Trust was a great success with over 140 people enjoying the singing of Clover Kane followed by refreshments in the garden on a lovely sunny evening.

The Trustees would like to thank All Saints and the Trustees for their kind hospitality which helped them raise in the region of £8000. This will go directly to Nepal where it will fund services for seriously disabled young people including medical care, physiotherapy, skills in daily living and education.

Nepali Children's Trust aims to provide long term, effective, sustainable support to disabled children in Nepal.

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**Organ Recital Cancelled** 



Sadly, the Organ Recital by Chris Gray planned for Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> of July at 4.00pm has been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.



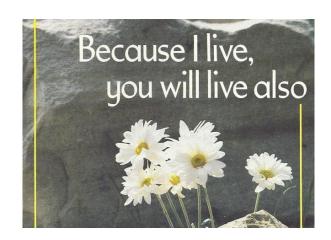
As the school holidays begin and graduation ceremonies take place we wish everyone a happy time of rest and recreation, especially our students in the choir and the staff and children of St John's School. Good wishes and thanks to Father Charles who is already away – we hope it's somewhere lovely, and Father Paul (Hawkins) who is going away this week.

# **Prayers Requests**

'In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live.'

(John 14: 19).

Please let Fr Charles know of anyone who would like to be remembered within the weekly prayer list or anyone who you would like to be remembered in prayer



# Those who we remember in our Prayers

Sunday Tabitha Clark, Ruth and Richard Harding, Katie Norman,
Neal Gordon, Jean Callow, Sarah Bradley, Katrina and Katherine King, Samantha Tucker
Veronica Hayfield, Joyce Shepherd Philip Miles Ryan Lindsey, Immie
Audrey Jones, Christine Bartlett, Emma Cartwright Sue Hilliar
Steve Cooper Alison Tierney Molly Sharpley
Monday John Bradley, Robert Paul, Nicky Cousins, Peter Maine Peter Martin
Tuesday Chris Callow, Elizabeth, Judy Torrens, Margaret Swindale, Diana Verity,
Wednesday Felicity Firth, Kate Thomas, Adam Holmes, Hugh Farry Linda
Cynthia Ashford, Ros Hawkins, Alan Roberts
Thursday Richard Harris, Matt Mumford, Brian Davidge, Caroline Semon,
Friday Charlotte Hopkins, Andy & Gina Ford, Elisabeth Morgan Molly Sharpley
+ Peter (Bishop of Bath and Wells)
Saturday Merryn, Roger Durbin (Pr), Nicholas Edwards, Alan & Poppy

### This Church

- All those who come into our church to find the comfort of our Sacred Space.
- For those who enter this church as visitors and tourists, for those who come just to look
- For those looking to the coming 'Christian Year' wishing ways to take part in the missio Dei
- For those who make use of this space for meetings, rehearsals, concerts, exhibitions, exercise, classes, events and so much more.
- For those who come into this place weighed down through fear fear of life and life events, the Covid virus, of those around them, and so many other causes

# **The Departed**

James Souter Roy Beckworth Jill Masefield Peter Jones Douglas Henderson Nina Thorp David Andrews Rita Plaice Wendy Roberts Jean Weeks Barbara Collins Wendy Bray (Pr) Brenda Davison

# Years' Minds - this week we remember

Audrey Hopkins Gwen Rundle Dorothy Stephens Raymond Tong Marlena Fitzner Diana Gloria Collins Margaret Hill Marilyn Bateman Michael Morgan

# ALL SAINTS PRAYERS

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	Mon	Elizabeth Ferard, first CofE Deacon, 1883
	18	Thinking of international justice; pray today for the work of Amnesty International who work to end human rights abuses.
	Tue	Today, pray for: Water colour painters.
	19	Entomologists – especially lepidopterists
	Wed 20	Mass 10.00am Over the next few days most schools in Bristol will be reaching the end of 'what's left' of their academic year. Give thanks for all the work they have poured into the care of children (especially vulnerable and of key workers) over the continuing Covid crisis.
		Pray for teachers, pupils and administrators as they reflect on their year and take time out to relax and recharge.
	Thurs 21	Pray for those engaged in medical research and those involved in making ethical decisions about research directions and drug licensing: for diligence and wisdom.
		Pray for all engaged in on going Coronavirus research
	Fri	Mass 10.00am Mary Magdalene
	22	Today we remember Mary Magdalene, one of Jesus' inner circle of followers and widely noted in the gospels.
		Pray for women in the church, especially those in positions of leadership and influence.
	Sat 23	Pray for child carers of ill or disabled parents, that they will know practical and emotional support as they balance education, care and their own necessary social lives.
	Sunday	6 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity
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		Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire;
		Early Worship 9.00am
		Parish Mass 10.30am
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