### **Notices**

Next Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> 11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (Canon Ken)

#### Parish Contacts

During the Vacancy the Rural Dean, Rev Canon Kevin Graham, Rector of St Bartholomew's, will be in charge of the parish with Canon Ken continuing in his usual role.

Contact details are as follows:

Canon Graham	07964 663 745
Canon Ken	07922 358 091



Our Parish Prayer Line number is 07501 117 888

### SENIOR MEBERS RESIDENT IN CARE HOMES

Nan, Leslie, Lillian, Sally, Violet, June & Alex

#### PARISH PRAYER LIST

Billy, Libby, Julie, Derek, Tommy, Joan, Pearl & Violet

#### PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we praise and thank you that in your redeeming love you have drawn us together as members of your Church. We pray that you would deepen our love for you, strengthen our fellowship with each other and help us to worship you in spirit and in truth. We pray that during this time of change, we will keep our eyes fixed on you and trust you for the future. Help us to be faithful in our prayers for the continuing ministry in this community and guide us in all things to know and do your will, for the honour and glory of your name. Amen St Aidan's Parish Church Enabling people to find a Living Faith in a Loving God by Serving 'Christ in the Community' Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter



### Hymns for today

- 614 'Great Shepherd of your people, hear'
- 655 'Loving Shepherd of your sheep'
- 644 'Faithful Shepherd, feed me'
- 92 'How sweet the name of Jesus sounds'

#### Collect

Gracious God, you sent Jesus, the good shepherd, to gather us together: may we not wander from his flock, but follow wherever he leads us, listening for his voice and staying near him, until we are safely in your fold, to live with you for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen** 

Today's worship is 'Morning Prayer' as per The Book of Common Prayer (page 101)

Our services are also available live on Facebook.

## Psalm 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *and leads me beside still waters.*
- 3 He shall refresh my soul *and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.*
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.
- 6 Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
  - and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; *it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever. Amen.* 

## Bible Reading John 10:22-30

<sup>22</sup> Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup> and Jesus was in the temple courts walking in Solomon's Colonnade. <sup>24</sup> The Jews who were there gathered round him, saying, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.'<sup>25</sup> Jesus answered, 'I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, <sup>26</sup> but you do not believe because you are not my sheep. <sup>27</sup> My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> I and the Father are one.'

## **Mothers' Union Project**



Each year the MU supply Wash Bags for the use of patients who find themselves in hospital without anything for personnel use. Some of

themselves in hospital without anything for personnel use. Some of these are also donated to 'Women's Aid' - and children's and men's items are also donated.

The members of St Aidan's Branch have asked if, with their numbers being low at present, the church family might be willing to help support this year's appeal.

Items for the bags may be brought to Church during May and Barbara will be happy to give any further information or guidance you need to be involved in this project.

The following are a list of the items normally included in the bags and when these are all received the members will make them up into individual washbags.

## Soap, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Facecloths, Combs, Shower Gel, Deodorant and paper handkerchiefs.

Each year these are greatly appreciated by the recipients.

# **Pastoral Care**



Please help us to care for those in our parish who may be housebound, ill, or in need of pastoral support – especially if you suspect we may not be aware of their circumstances. The past two years have been challenging for all of us and unfortunately it has not been possible to carry out our pastoral ministry as we would like to have.

Now, however, we are trying to reconnect with those who would appreciate our pastoral care and you can help by making sure we are have the information we need.

Please don't assume I already know of everyone's circumstances. I don't mind you calling me and making sure – nor do I mind being reminded!! Canon Ken (07922 358 091)