

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

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Cheryl, Lauren, Yvonne, Sandra, Eleanor, Charlie, Derek, Leslie, Tommy, Joan, Violet & Margorie.

Senior members resident in care homes

Nan, Leslie, Lillian, Tom, Sally, Charlie, June & Alec

Parish Prayer Line 07553 404 711

We remember in our prayers today Margaret Richardson, Yvonne Brown and June Kerr who have been bereaved in the death of their brother, Wm Gore.

Next Sunday 23rd May

11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (Jim Neill)

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.

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St Aidan's Parish Church

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Sunday 16th May 2021 Pew Sheet

The Seventh Sunday of Easter
Sunday after the Ascension Day

'Jesus prays for his disciples'



That they all
may be one,
as You, Father,
are in Me, and
I in You.

John 17:21

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

Collect & Bible Readings

O God the King of Glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Mercifully give us faith to know that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth to the end of time; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Psalm 1

- 1 Blessed are they who have not walked
in the counsel of the wicked,
*nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the assembly of the scornful.*
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 Like a tree planted by streams of water
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither,
whatever they do, it shall prosper.
- 4 As for the wicked, it is not so with them;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not be able to stand in the judgement,
nor the sinner in the congregation of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall perish.

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

Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26

15 In those days Peter stood up among the believers* (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, ¹⁶'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— ¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.'

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place* in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

John 17:6-19

⁶'I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. ⁸For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. ⁹I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. ¹¹I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled. ¹³'I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. ¹⁴I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. ¹⁵My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. ¹⁷Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.