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, Sandra, Eleanor, Faith, Margaret, Charlie, Jean, Alec & June

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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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Pew Sheet

Sunday 17th January 2021

The 2nd Sunday after The Epiphany

St Aidan's is currently not open for Sunday worship; a decision made in the interests of the safety of our parishioners at this stage in the Coved 19 pandemic.

Worship will be available online as follows; Each Sunday Canon Ken will post a short informal service, complete with address, on our Facebook page

www.facebook.com/staidansandyrow

Canon Kevin Graham (Rural Dean) will also be conducting Morning Prayer from St Bartholomew's online and this can be accessed at

10th January 2021 https://youtu.be/uFL1AI-hzmo
3rd January 2021 https://youtu.be/mebVr0B6K5Q
27th December 2020 https://youtu.be/NLG_udzKZEI

The link for today will be published on our Facebook later today.

The Collect & Bible Readings of the Day

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Psalm 139 For the director of music. Of David. A psalm.

- ¹You have searched me, LORD, and you know me.
- ²You know when I sit and when I rise;
 - you perceive my thoughts from afar.
- ³ You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.
- ⁴ Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely.
- ⁵ You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.
- ¹² even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.
- ¹³ For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- ¹⁴ I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.
- ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.
- ¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.
- ¹⁷ How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them!
- ¹⁸ Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand when I awake, I am still with you.

1 Samuel 3:1-10

- **3** The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions.
- ² One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. ³ The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the LORD, where the ark of God was.
- ⁴Then the LORD called Samuel. Samuel answered, 'Here I am.' ⁵ And he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am; you called me.' But Eli said, 'I did not call; go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down.

- ⁶ Again the LORD called, 'Samuel!' And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am; you called me.' 'My son,' Eli said, 'I did not call; go back and lie down.'
- ⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.
- ⁸ A third time the LORD called, 'Samuel!' And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am; you called me.' Then Eli realised that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹ So Eli told Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰ The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Then Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

John 1:43-51

- ⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, 'Follow me.'
- ⁴⁴ Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida.
- ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and told him, 'We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.'
- ⁴⁶ 'Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?' Nathanael asked. 'Come and see,' said Philip.
- ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, 'Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit.'
- ⁴⁸ 'How do you know me?' Nathanael asked.
- Jesus answered, 'I saw you while you were still under the fig-tree before Philip called you.'
- ⁴⁹ Then Nathanael declared, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel.'
- ⁵⁰ Jesus said, 'You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig-tree.

You will see greater things than that.'

⁵¹ He then added, 'Very truly I tell you, you will see "heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on" the Son of Man.'