

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

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## NOTICES

Next Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October            11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer  
**Rev. Mellissa Jeffers**

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October                11.00 a.m. Informal Service  
**Canon Ken**

**This will be special act of Harvest Thanksgiving  
(without the decorations!)**

Worshippers are invited to bring along a small gift of **non-perishable** fruit or vegetables, etc., (**Tinned or dry packaged**) and leave these in the hallway as they enter church. These will be delivered later in the week to a Foodbank.



**The Annual General Meeting of the Parish  
will be held in church on Wednesday  
7th October at 7.45pm**

**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

Enabling people to find a Living Faith in a Loving  
God by 'Serving Christ in the Community'

4<sup>th</sup> October 2020 : 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

## PARISH COMMUNION



We welcome the  
newly confirmed  
into the fellowship  
of the 'Lord's  
Supper'

James, Emma,  
Natalie, Brooks and  
Tommy

## THE GREETING

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all: **and also with you.**

**The Apostle Paul wrote,**

“this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. **(Phil. 3:14)**

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## Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:  
Teach us to offer ourselves to your service, that here we may  
have your peace, and in the world to come may see you face to  
face; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## The Epistle

### Philippians 3: 4b-14

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.

But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

***When I survey the wondrous cross***  
*On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
Save in the death of Christ my God!  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood.*

**3** *See from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

**4** *Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.*

## The Gospel

### Matthew 21: 33-46

“Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit.

“The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. Last of all, he sent his son to them. ‘They will respect my son,’ he said.

“But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, ‘This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him and take his inheritance.’ So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

“Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” “He will bring those wretches to a wretched end,” they replied, “and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time.”

Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures:

“‘The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvellous in our eyes’?

“Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. Anyone who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed.”

## The Sermon

### Nicene Creed

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### Prayers

### 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**

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*Bread of the world, in mercy broken,  
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed,*

*By whom the words of life were spoken  
And in whose death our sins are dead:*

*Look on the heart by sorrow broken,  
Look on the tears by sinners shed;*

*And be Thy feast to us the token  
That by Thy grace our souls are fed.*