

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

Brothers and sisters: May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Colossians 1.11–20

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' Jesus replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

Luke 23.33–43



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SUNDAY 20th NOVEMBER 2022

CHRIST the KING



Collect

God the Father, help us
to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, one glory.

Amen.

Post Communion

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth
the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SUNDAY 20th NOVEMBER

READINGS

Colossians 1.11-20; Luke 23.33-43
8am Said Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist
with Junior & Senior Church

HYMNS: 565, 189, 634, 48
11.15am Confirmation Group

Green / World Prayer

And so now with tears in our eyes
we look to you.

With regret, with repentance,
knowing the difficult decades that we face.

As temperatures rise.

As extinctions increase.

As we come to terms with our existential plight.

For our children, Lord have mercy.

For our Grandchildren, Christ have mercy.

For the world's most vulnerable,

Christ have mercy. **Amen.**

Prayer by Jon Swales.

SUNDAY 20th NOVEMBER

6.30pm Sung Evensong (BCP)

READINGS

1 Samuel 8.4-20; John 18.33-37

HYMNS: 134, 203, 661

Psalm 72.1-7

6.30pm Confirmation Service

at St Matthews Church

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Those who are ill or in need: Father David Pennells, Wendy Rafferty, George Greenshields,

Those who have died: Joseph Johannes, Veronica Hurst

Those whose anniversary falls at this time:

Jeremy Metters (2020); Geraldine Wootton (1998); Margaret Holloway (2013); Colin Holloway (2018); John Gash (1993); Audrey Brice (2005)

Link Parish of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Zimbabwe.

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY 22nd November

8.00pm Syrian Leadership Meeting in Truman Room

WEDNESDAY 23rd November

9.15am-11.15am Toddler Group in hall

THURSDAY 24th November

3.00pm Together on Thursday in hall

SUNDAY 27th NOVEMBER

ADVENT 1—TOY SUNDAY

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

and Junior/Senior Church

11.15am Advent Fair

6.30pm Sung Evensong

NEXT SUNDAY - ADVENT SUNDAY 27 NOVEMBER is Toy Sunday—please bring new toys and games for those who otherwise would receive little or nothing at Christmas. They will be given to the local Women's Refuge.. Thank you.

NEXT SUNDAY—The Advent Fair—see detailed notice opposite!

THE CONFIRMATION of six of our young people will take place at St Matthew's Church in Durham Road **TODAY at 6.30pm**. Members of the congregation will be welcome to attend to support this group of young people and please pray for Alex, Austin, Eric, Josie, Olivia and Robin.

ADVENT FAIR is to be held in church after the end of the 10am service next **SUNDAY 27 NOVEMBER**. There is a leaflet outlining what stalls we are planning. We would be very grateful for donations of anything that is good enough to be given as a Christmas Present for our new stall – please nothing second hand. Also, home baked produce and any spare bottles of hooch that you might have. There will also be a KFH stall, plant stall, children's corner, and a raffle. Raffle prizes will be very gratefully received. There will also be hot mulled wine and sausage rolls, with Christmas music playing in the background. **Please ensure that items for sale are brought to church now—we cannot receive items (apart from home produce) on the day itself as there is not enough time to price and sort them!**

THE QUIZ was a great success! Thank you very much to Tish and all the Social Committee who worked very hard to organise a wonderfully enjoyable evening—and particularly to Mark Adams, our inimitable Quiz Master. We made a profit of £1,166—to which can be added an anonymous donation of £500. The total of **£1,666** will go towards the urgent replacement of the Hall front flat roof.

HARVEST SERVICE DONATIONS for A Rocha Kenya totalled £476 including gift aid. Staff at A Rocha Kenya thank us for the donation and our continued support and prayers. The money will go towards a new camera to help them tell their stories and advance their conservation work. Updated prayer requests are on the board in the prayer corner.

FAREWELL TO MIKE—We are having a farewell party on **SATURDAY 7 JANUARY** for our wonderful Vicar Mike Burns. It will start at 6.30pm and ALL are welcome! More details to come. From the Churchwardens.

COMMUNAL CHRISTMAS CARD: An ECO IDEA. There'll be a giant card displayed at the back of church from 1st December. You can write your Christmas message to everyone in the church. If you like, the money saved on cards can be donated to a charity you're supporting this Christmas. Obviously you can still decide to send individual cards if you wish but this is just one simple idea to be kind to the planet and still be friendly to your friends in the congregation!

THE TRADCRAFT STALL is stocked for a Fair Trade Christmas. We have Advent calendars and candles as well as Christmas cards and wrapping paper; Christmas chocolates and gifts alongside our usual selection of teas, coffees, groceries and household goods. We're happy to take orders for Christmas cards and other items in the catalogue. Please support poor producers in the global south by shopping at your Christ Church Traidcraft Stall.

MARK ADAMS reminds us that some time ago we generously raised funds for the people of some local Indian schools where he worked. Now one of these schools is to be made homeless. The Mondo Foundation are fundraising to pay for the building of a new school to ensure that the provision of vital education for almost 200 children is not lost. There are full details on the notice board and there are some leaflets on the table in church. Please help if you can and speak to Mark for further details.

SUNDAY EVENING STEWARDS: From January, we would like to ensure that there is always one person on duty during the 6.30pm Evening Services to greet people and to assist the worship leader in locking up at the end of the service. If you could help please let Michael know. If we had 4/5 names then it would be a once a month duty.

FREE—there is a Mahogany Dining Room Table (measuring 5ft x 3ft) with four chairs in the Vicarage available free to anyone who would like them. You would just need to arrange collection. If you might be interested please let Michael know and he can send a photo or arrange a viewing.