

For our prayers this week

Those who are ill or in need... Simon Rocksborough-Smith, Chris Kernan, Peter Turner, Wendy Rafferty, George Greenshields. Those who have died... Gill Bartlett

Anniversary of death... Monica Brown

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



WEDNESDAY I NOVEMBER

9.15am Toddler Group Hall

NEXT WEEK...

SUNDAY 5 NOVEMBER ALL SAINTS DAY 8am HOLY COMMUNION 10am ALL AGE SERVICE No Junior/Senior Church

6.30pm ALL SOULS' SERVICE

WEDNESDAY 8 NOVEMBER

9.15am Toddler Group Hall

COMING UP...

SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER

10am Remembrance Service

WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER 8pm PCC meeting

TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER

2pm Bridge Drive Hall



NOTICES

CHURCH GARDEN WASTE

We need help please to take bags of fallen leaves to the council's dump in Garth Road. Bags are outside the garden shed (and it would lovely to have the bags back, if possible).

CREATIONTIDE DISPLAY

Thank you to everyone who contributed. Enjoy the display in the coming weeks and add a prayer on our pathway to 'net zero'.

WANTED CHURCH CLEANERS

We need more help with cleaning the church. If you are willing to take on this role, you will be on a rota of approximately 2 hours every 4 weeks. Contact the wardens, Julie or Tish if you think you are able to help, please.

DONATIONS

If you don't carry cash but would like to donate to Christ Church, we have a card reader at the cross aisle which you are welcome to use. Thank you.

SERVICE FOR ALL SOULS: Sunday 5 November at **6.30pm**.

We will be offering a service to remember and give thanks for those who have died. If you would like someone to be remembered by name, please add that name to the list at the back of church. It would be good to arrange tea/coffee after the service. Please let the Churchwardens know if you can help with this.

This months' edition of THE BRIDGE can be read and downloaded from: southwark.anglican.org/thebridge There are also copies at the back of church.

NEW EXECUTIVE MANAGER REOUIRED

Are you someone with an awareness of and a real concern about the deep poverty that exists in Merton which is often thought to be a wealthy London borough? Are you a leader, able to organise and coordinate a team of volunteers and to oversee a varied range of activities and manage them for the wellbeing of families in need? Christian CARE Association (CCA) needs an **Executive Manager** to oversee the day to day running of CCA. This will be its first paid employee and in the first instance a one year contract is on offer, at the rate of £24 per hour for a 21 hour week spread over 3-5 days. Closing date 23 November 2023.

Full details available on CCA website https://christiancaremerton.org.uk or from Pat Spencer, the Hon. Secretary at pat.spencer@christiancaremerton.org.uk



NEWS

The next 8am Service will be Sunday 5 November and thereafter every Sunday.

SAVE THE DATE 2-4.30pm Tuesday 21 November Our first Christ Church

BRIDGE DRIVE and sumptuous tea in the Hall.

See flier.

Sunday 3 December FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10am TOY SUNDAY followed by ADVENT FAIR **4pm** CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

Thursday 14 December 6.30pm Wreath Making in the Hall



This week's readings

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us. *I Thessalonians 2.1–8*

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

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.' Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: 'What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?' They said to him, 'The son of David.' He said to them, 'How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, "The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet'"? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?' No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Matthew 22.34-46



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SUNDAY 29 OCTOBER 2023 LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

The Collect

Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reign, now and for ever.

Green Prayer

Father of Creation,
God of Justice,
these dehumanising and destructive forces
help to maintain our status quo,
and we have stood silent
at the butchery of your world.
At first unaware, but then deliberately
we have walked down the other side of the
road and then, at times, we have acted
as cheerleaders and chaplains
to this unholy trinity.

Lord have mercy.
Amen.

(Taken from Jon Swales prayer no 9)

10am PARISH EUCHARIST

with Baptism of Frederick Cuthbertson and Junior & Senior Church

Readings | Thess 2.1-8; Matthew 22.34-end

Hymns 310, 34, 27, 240

6.30pm BCP EVENSONG

Readings Eccl. 11, 12; 2 Timothy 2.1-7

Hymns 59,190,465 Psalm 90 v1-6