

Sunday 25th October: Last Sunday after Trinity

Leviticus 19.1-2, 15-18; 1 Thessalonians 2.1-8; Matthew 22.34-end

8.00am Holy Communion

9.00am Breakfast Worship on Zoom

10.00am Parish Eucharist

Annual Parochial Church Meetings

Monday 26th October—Alfred, Cedd

10.00am Pray for the Week

Tuesday 27th October

9.00am Eucharist

Wednesday 28th October - Simon and Jude, Apostles

10.45am Eucharist

Sunday 1st November: All Saints' Sunday

Revelation 7.9-end; 1 John 3.1-3; Matthew 5.1-12

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am All Age Eucharist

6.30pm All Souls' Service to Remember Departed Loved Ones

Collect: Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

“Praying and Fasting for Climate Justice on the First Day of Each Month”

Please, come to St Peter's at 12.00 p.m. on Sunday, 1st November, to take part in our prayer group, sitting in a “social distancing” circle in The Holy Name Chapel after the 10.00 a.m. Eucharist.

As always, we'll bring to mind and pray for those around God's world whose lives are being wrecked by bereavement, loss of homes and livelihood, all caused by the destructive effects of climate change: flooding, drought, uncontrollable fires, cyclones, tsunamis, and rising sea levels.

We'll pray especially for those so badly affected on 3rd October by Storm Alex which hit the border between France and Italy. At least 7 people were killed and 20 went missing when the area was flooded by a year's rainfall in 12 hours, causing landslides and the destruction of homes and roads.

As well as the terrifying and ongoing fires in California and Oregon, the USA has been hit by the 10th violent storm this year in areas bordering The Gulf of Mexico with all the terrifying fear and damage such storms inflict.

The Coronavirus pandemic continues to so dominate the news we don't hear about many around the world who are suffering from the effects of climate change.

There continues to be many who need our prayers, including the people in Japan devastated on 8th July by torrential rain which killed 55 people and forced 3 million to leave their homes; those in May hit by flooding and landslides in El Salvador; and those hit by typhoons and cyclones in The Philippines and Bangladesh and East India, all of whom are also coping with the Coronavirus pandemic.

Please, tell us about people you've heard about in the news whose lives have been, or are being devastated by climate disasters

We'll be praying also for our national and international leaders who have the power to make decisions to reduce the human causes of climate change; and for ourselves that we'll be guided by God to care for the wonderful gift of creation; and do all we can ourselves to reduce the human causes of global warming.

The Annual Parochial Church Meetings will take place after the 10am service today, please stay if you can. **Please pick up a copy of the Annual Report and other papers in church.**

Would you like to lead the Intercessions during the 10am service on a Sunday? Training will be given. If you're interested please speak to the Rector.

All Souls' Service - 6.30pm on Sunday, 1st November

As in previous years, we will be holding a service in which we remember our loved ones who have died. This will be especially poignant this year in light of the many deaths sustained globally from the Covid 19 virus.

However, due to the Covid restrictions, we need to be mindful of the length of the service so we will not be reading out a long list of names of the deceased. Only the names of those whose funerals have been taken by the St Peter's clergy team in the past year will be read aloud. A period of reflection will be given so that others can be remembered in the silence of our hearts. All are welcome to attend to support the recently bereaved and to honour our personal losses.

Also, we will not be inviting attendees to come to the Chancel steps to light individual candles, but we will be incorporating stones as symbols of grief, remembrance and hope. We do hope this service will be a helpful and healing time for all who wish to remember those who have died.



Hilary would like to thank everyone at St Peter's for their prayers, cards and good wishes.