

WHEATHILL PRIORY BENEFICE

“Jesus Lives: Follow Him”

Sunday 7 November 2021 3 Before Advent

The COP26 Summit continues in Glasgow and we are hearing daily of the promises and pledges made by countries to reduce their carbon emissions, change their energy sources and take more care of the environment and world around them.

One of the things that has struck me are the interviews with those whose whole lives, communities and way of life are threatened by the changes to our climate. Not only as a future threat but a present reality as they deal with the increasing salt contamination, vanishing land and decreasing harvests from their crops.

I've also been struck by the challenges of balancing the needs of indigenous people to have land to farm and places to grow their food/care for their herds and the need to maintain rainforest to hold carbon.

There is no doubt that this is an exceptionally complex situation, but there is also a challenge for all of us to consider how we are going to respond, as individually, as communities and as nations.

Scripture reminds us that at creation people were given the task of tending the garden, tending in the sense of taking care of, utilising it for crops and food and enjoying the bounty that was provided.

We live in an amazingly diverse and beautiful world, the views that surround us are often stunning, and we appreciate the different seasons and contexts in which we find ourselves.

Lets also commit ourselves to doing what we can to take care of the world, and watch out for it. As you walk/cycle/drive/look out of your window this week why not take a moment to see what you notice, and give thanks for it.

Bible Readings

Sunday 7 November Psalm 65:5-12, Hebrews 9:24-28, Mark 1:14-20

8:30am Holy Communion Keinton Mandeville

10:30am Morning Prayer Lydford on Fosse

Monday Psalm 20, Isaiah 5:8-24, Matthew 4:23-5:12

9am Morning Prayer Keinton Mandeville

Tuesday Psalm 21, Isaiah 5:25-end, Matthew 5:13-20

Wednesday Psalm 23, Isaiah 6, Matthew 5:21-37

Thursday Psalm 26, Isaiah 7:1-17, Matthew 5:38-end

9am Morning Prayer in Lydford and on Zoom

10:50am Act of Remembrance Barton St David

Friday Psalm 32, Isaiah 8:1-15, Matthew 6:1-18

10:45am Act of Remembrance Keinton Mandeville

Saturday Psalm 33, Isaiah 8:16-9:7, Matthew 6:19-end

Sunday 14 November

8:30am Holy Communion Barton St David

10:45am Service of Remembrance Lydford on Fosse (please bring a chair if you can, we'll be outside all morning)

Morning Prayer has restarted in Lydford Church at 9am on Thursdays, we use Zoom so that those in other parishes can also join in. It will restart in Barton St David once the Living in Love and Faith Course has ended.

Forthcoming worship

14/11/21 8:30am Holy Communion Barton St David

10:45am Service of Remembrance Lydford on Fosse (Outside at the War memorial for the whole service)

21/11/21 8:30am Holy Communion Barton St David

10:30am Morning Prayer Keinton Mandeville

28/11/21 8:30am Holy Communion Lydford on Fosse

10:30am Morning prayer Barton St David

4pm Christingle & Advent Star Keinton Mandeville Churchyard

We will be remembering as usual in our villages:

11/11 at 10:50am Barton St David War Memorial

12/11 at 10:45am Keinton Mandeville Churchyard

14/11 at 10:30am Lydford on Fosse (The whole service will be in the church car park, at the War Memorial)

Phone Church

We have set up a phone line that you can use (for the cost of a local call so probably free for most) to listen to a reading, the reflection and prayers of intercession for the week. The phone number is **01458 552155**. The service will be available from Monday morning.

There is also the Church of England Daily Hope phone line, which has hymns, prayers and reflection



YouTube

Our weekly worship continues to be available on YouTube, we hope to livestream the services as they happen, so from 10:30am. If that fails we will upload them after the service. You can find the service here:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9tB_kpGA8SZwwyE9AmKvmg/videos?view=57

Advent Course

Our Advent Course begins on 22 November in Keinton church

We're going to be exploring some of the characters and themes from the Jesse Tree

We will meet at 2pm and 7:30pm

Zoom Details:**Topic: Morning Prayer****Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8750238874?pwd=dkpVVnNoZnhvcUJCeVNsYTdJRHZOZz09>

Meeting ID: 875 0238 8874

Passcode: 115224

Bible Book Club

Bible Book club is reading the Letter to the Ephesians and our next meeting will be in the new year, because the Advent course is on the day we'd planned to meet! Why not come along & see what happens?

Our guidelines for how we conduct our worship are:

- We sing
- We film and livestream/record & post to YouTube
- We encourage the wearing of masks
- We continue to take details of who is present for track and trace
- You can either sit in close proximity with someone or be distanced (if you want to be distanced please take a notice and put it on the pew beside you)
- Communion continues to be administered in pews and in one kind only