

St Arvans Church On line Community Bulletin Wednesday 28th October

Night Prayer: tonight at 8pm

https://www.facebook.com/pg/vicaragecello1/videos/?ref=page_internal

Please note that as from last Friday, the church is once again closed for public worship.

Sunday Eucharist will continue to be live-streamed as before, at

https://www.facebook.com/pg/vicaragecello1/videos/?ref=page_internal

St Arvans online

Live service stream : https://www.facebook.com/pg/vicaragecello1/videos/?ref=page_internal

Facebook : St Arvan's Parish group – please like us and become a follower

Webpage at: www.starvanschurch.org.uk

Instagram: starvanschurch

Twitter: St Arvans Church @Arvanschurch

Please send any contributions to this bulletin to starvanschurchnews@btinternet.com

Please share it with others whom you think may be interested, and invite them to contact us if they want to go on the mailing list at: starvanschurchnews@btinternet.com

Monday 2nd is All Souls Day.

The requiem mass, offered for all the faithful departed, will be live-streamed from St Arvans at **12 noon**.

Because our churches are closed, and we are under lockdown, please **email the names** of any loved ones you wish to be prayed for by name to Fr Michael by next Sunday evening

SONGS OF PRAISE

A virtual Songs of Praise for All Saints day will be held on **Tuesday 3rd November at 5pm**.

Prayer and meditation

All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord endures forever. 1 Peter 1: 24

The Archbishop of Wales urges us to be patient during the firebreak

See his message at: <https://www.churchinwales.org.uk/en/>

He urges us to be patient – the firebreak is only for two weeks. We should also remember our neighbours who may need support. And we should pray for those who are making decisions which are intended to be in our best interests – they don't have an easy task.

Psalm 122

I was glad when they said to me,
 "Let us go to the house of the LORD!"
Our feet are standing
 within your gates, O Jerusalem.
Jerusalem—built as a city
 that is bound firmly together.
To it the tribes go up,
 the tribes of the LORD,
as was decreed for Israel,
 to give thanks to the name of the LORD.
For there the thrones for judgment were set up,
 the thrones of the house of David.
Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
 "May they prosper who love you.
Peace be within your walls,
 and security within your towers."
For the sake of my relatives and friends
 I will say, "Peace be within you."
For the sake of the house of the LORD our God,
 I will seek your good.

The letter of St Paul to the Ephesians. 2: 19-22

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

A reading from the Gospel of St John 17: 17-27

"I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

"If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you. If you belonged to the world, the world would love you as its own. Because you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world—therefore the world hates you. Remember the word that I said to you, 'Servants are not greater than their master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also. But they will do all these things to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me. If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin. Whoever hates me hates my Father also. If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not have sin. But now they have seen and hated both me and my Father. It was to fulfill the word that is written in their law, 'They hated me without a cause.'

"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

Music

What else this week, but For all the Saints. Come and sing it with us at next Tuesday's Songs of Praise. As a foretaste, here it is from Songs of Praise in 2013. I cannot discover where this was filmed, though.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7y-yvL2P_FY

Parry's triumphant setting of "I was Glad" is sung by the Sixteen.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UVrD_nA-3Aw

On the lighter side

Some more of the church bulletin bloopers this week! Always good for a laugh!

1. Hymn: I am Thin, O Lord.
2. I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, even though he dies, yet shall he live.
3. Hymn: I Need Three Every Hour
4. My joke is easy and my burden is light.
5. Hymn of Response: Crown Him With Many Cows
6. Childcare provided with reservations.

7. Bring one dozen coolies wrapped for Christmas.
8. When parking on the north side of the church, please remember to park on an angel.
9. Jean will be leading a weight-management series Wednesday nights. She's used the program herself and has been growing like crazy!
