

St Arvans Church mid-week Bulletin Wednesday 1st September 2021

Night Prayer: Tonight at 8pm – online only

Sunday Eucharist: Sunday 10am. Places must be booked.

St Arvans online

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

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Please note that Father Michael is having a well-earned break and will be off duty (except for Sunday duties and any pastoral emergencies which may crop up) until the first Saturday of September.

Harvest Celebration at Penterry – Sunday 5th September

The Penterry Harvest service is on Sunday 5 September at 11.30 am. This will be followed by a picnic in the Church field, from around 12.30. You are invited to bring a picnic, or things to cook on the barbecues which will be available.

A flyer giving full details is attached to this newsletter.

Please can anyone planning to attend email info@penterry.org.uk or telephone Chris Balmer on 01291 689661.

Coffee After Sunday Eucharist

We are now able to resume having coffee in St Arvan's church after the Sunday Eucharist!



Please sign up on the sheet in the church if you are able to go on the rota.

St Dieniol Lecture – advance notice

A date for your diaries: on Monday 4th October Professor John Clarke will be delivering a lecture on Mysticism in Itton Village Hall. Further details will be circulated nearer the time.

Prayer and Meditation

From the letter of St Paul to the Colossians 1: 1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our

beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. 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.

Psalm 34: 9-22

O fear the LORD, you his holy ones,
for those who fear him have no want.
The young lions suffer want and hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

Come, O children, listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
Which of you desires life,
and covets many days to enjoy good?
Keep your tongue from evil,
and your lips from speaking deceit.
Depart from evil, and do good;
seek peace, and pursue it.

The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous,
and his ears are open to their cry.
The face of the LORD is against evildoers,
to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.
When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears,
and rescues them from all their troubles.
The LORD is near to the brokenhearted,
and saves the crushed in spirit.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the LORD rescues them from them all.
He keeps all their bones;
not one of them will be broken.
Evil brings death to the wicked,
and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.
The LORD redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

A reading from the gospel of St Luke 4: 38-44

After leaving the synagogue he entered Simon’s house. Now Simon’s mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked him about her. Then he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. Immediately she got up and began to serve them.

As the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various kinds of diseases brought them to him; and he laid his hands on each of them and cured them. Demons also came out of many, shouting, “You are the Son of God!” But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Messiah.

At daybreak he departed and went into a deserted place. And the crowds were looking for him; and when they reached him, they wanted to prevent him from leaving them. But he said to them, “I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God to the other cities also; for I was sent for this purpose.” So he continued proclaiming the message in the synagogues of Judea.

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Music

This beautiful setting of the 23rd Psalm, by Schubert, is sung by the Monteverdi Choir, directed by John Eliot Gardiner

[Schubert: Der 23. Psalm, D. 706 - YouTube](#)

This week’s hymn is Be still my soul. It was written by Katharina Amalia Dorothea von Schlegel in 1752. The tune is attributed to Jean Sibelius. It is sung here by the boy's choir, Libera.

[Hymn "Be Still My Soul" - Traditional - YouTube](#)
