

St Arvans Church On line Community Bulletin Wednesday 10th November 2021

Night Prayer: Tonight at 8pm – online only

Sunday Eucharist: This week there will be a combined Remembrance Service at Itton – see below for details. No service at St Arvans

Also, on Sunday 21st, there will be a combined Celebration service at St Mary's Priory Church. No service in the other churches that day – see below for details.

St Arvans online

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Forthcoming services



Itton: Sunday 14th November: 10.30am: Remembrance Day Service for all our parishes

Please book your place for this service with Anne Octon at: anneocton@gmail.com or 641918

(Please note, there will be **NO service** at St Arvans on Sunday 14th.)

Sunday 21st November: Bishop Cherry has asked us to join together in a service to celebrate our common life as Christians worshipping locally. Churches across the diocese will be coming together to worship in a number of different venues, but all using the same liturgy. Using the wonders of technology, the Bishop will preach to us all. **This will be the only service in the new Ministry Area that day.**

Consultation on the Ministry Area

The first of 3 consultation sessions took place last night. Archdeacon Ian Rees spelt out the reasons why we need to take this step. He was keen to explain why this was not a threat, but an opportunity. Other members of the Transition Team spoke about Ministry and Outreach, the Financial side (the parish Treasurers have already held one very useful meeting), the setting up of the Ministry Area Council, and the new Fabric Network. Some concerns people have were answered, other comments and questions we will be taking away to think about. There are two further sessions over the next couple of weeks. Please come along and learn some more details and have your say. Archdeacon Ian will be at all the sessions, so this is an opportunity to get the diocesan view too.

Saturday 13th November: 1pm in St Arvans Church

Thursday 25th November: 1pm in Mathern Church

Anyone from any of the parishes is welcome at any of the sessions.

Attached to this bulletin is a document setting out the Vision of the new Ministry Area (also available as a leaflet which was distributed in the church on Sunday).

If you are unable to attend in person but would like to join in via Zoom (listening and chat), please reply to this email so we can send you a link.

Prayer and Meditation

“Prayer is not asking. It is a longing of the soul. It is daily admission of one's weakness. It is better in prayer to have a heart without words than words without a heart.”

~ Mahatma Gandhi

Wisdom 6: 12-20

Wisdom is radiant and unfading,
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,
and is found by those who seek her.
She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.
One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,
for she will be found sitting at the gate.
To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,

because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,
and meets them in every thought.
The beginning of wisdom is the most sincere desire for instruction,
and concern for instruction is love of her,
and love of her is the keeping of her laws,
and giving heed to her laws is assurance of immortality,
and immortality brings one near to God;
so the desire for wisdom leads to a kingdom.

Psalm 37: 1-9

Do not fret because of the wicked;
do not be envious of wrongdoers,
for they will soon fade like the grass,
and wither like the green herb.
Trust in the LORD, and do good;
so you will live in the land, and enjoy security.
Take delight in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.
Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in him, and he will act.
He will make your vindication shine like the light,
and the justice of your cause like the noonday.
Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him;
do not fret over those who prosper in their way,
over those who carry out evil devices.
Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath.
Do not fret—it leads only to evil.
For the wicked shall be cut off,
but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.

A reading from the gospel of St Luke 17: 11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

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Music

Be still for the presence of the Lord – is sung by Aled Jones.

[Be still for the presence of the Lord - Aled Jones - YouTube](#)

Libera sing Glory to thee, my God this night. The tune is the Tallis Canon

[Glory to Thee my God this Night - YouTube](#)

(By the way, to access these links, you should just be able to press Control, and while holding it down, click your mouse – this will take you straight to the video in YouTube)

On the lighter side

Some children found a dead robin. Feeling that a proper burial should be performed, they found a small box and some tissue, dug a hole in the garden and made ready to dispose of the deceased. The minister’s 5 year old son was chosen to say a prayer. With great dignity, he intoned:

“Glory be to the Father, ...and to the Son, ...and into the hole he goes” !
