

Prayer for Sudan and South Sudan...

Pray for leaders of the Episcopal Church of Sudan and particularly for Archbishop Ezekiel, for his leadership and responsibility, for decisions he must make and the practical issues he must deal with as he shares relief donations among the five dioceses

The readings and psalms set for **Morning Prayer this week** – for those who would like to join with us at home:

Monday: Psalm 30; I Samuel 14:24-46; Luke 23:13-25

Tuesday: Psalm 36; I Samuel 15:1-23; Luke 23:26-43

Wednesday: Psalm 34; I Samuel 16; Luke 23:44-56a

Thursday: Psalms 27, 150; I Kings 19:1-16; I John 3:1-3

Friday: Psalm 31; I Samuel 17:31-54; Luke 24:13-35

Saturday: Psalm 42; I Samuel 17:55 – 18:16; Luke 24:36-end

Sunday: Psalm 88; Song of Solomon 8:5-7; 2 Peter 3:8-13

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We seek to grow through prayer and share Christ's love through engagement with all.

Weekly News

2nd August 2020



Said services of Holy Communion, from Wednesday 5th August

Our services at St Bart's resume next week – starting with short, said services of Holy Communion on Sundays at 10am and Wednesdays at 10.30am.

With a limit on numbers, a booking system is necessary, as follows:

- To book a place at the 10.30am Wednesday service (starting on 5th August) please phone the Parish Office on 01793 853272 by midday on the preceding Sunday leaving the names and telephone numbers of those who wish to attend
- To book a place at the 10am Sunday service (starting on 9th August) please phone the Parish Office on 01793 853272 by midday on the preceding Wednesday leaving the names and telephone numbers of those who wish to attend
- If any service is oversubscribed we will book individuals on to the next week's service, unless informed otherwise

Please have a look at the attached sheet **Services at St Bart's – and what to expect**, which we have updated this week in line with updated guidance about face coverings.

Regarding our on-line Sunday services and these will now be a recording of the service in church. This means that they will not be posted until later on the Sunday morning. With a new dedicated St Bartholomew's YouTube channel however you will always find these services here:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2mwesD4RZxknsWth-Qb0vg?>

And if you look now you will find a Welcome Back video – enjoy!

The **Lady Chapel** will now remain open for private prayer on **Sundays between 12 -1pm and Thursdays between 10 – 11am.**

Sunday 2nd August 2020

8th Sunday after Trinity

COLLECT

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern
both our hearts and bodies
in the ways of your laws
and the works of your commandments;
that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,
we may be preserved in body and soul;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING: *Isaiah 55:1-5*

- ¹ Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
- ² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
- ³ Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.
- ⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
- ⁵ See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

SECOND READING: *Romans 9:1-5*

¹ I am speaking the truth in Christ - I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit – ² I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. ⁴ They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; ⁵ to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

GOSPEL: *Matthew 14:13-21*

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¹³ Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' ¹⁷ They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' ¹⁸ And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.