

Our **Daily Bread**: the Bible study booklets for July and August are now available. Please call the Parish Office on 01793 853272 if you would like a copy delivered.

Please Pray for the Church in Sudan and South Sudan Pray for Bishop Abdu and Christian communities and others in great need in the Diocese of Port Sudan. This diocese includes the Gedaref region where reports from Medecins Sans Frontieres tell of thousands of Ethiopian refugees living in precarious conditions in camps badly damaged by strong winds and floods.

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

Monday: Psalm 1; Ezekiel 14.12-end; 2 Corinthians 11.1-15

Tuesday: Psalm 5; Ezekiel 18.1-20; 2 Corinthians 11.16-end

Wednesday: Psalm 119.1-32; Ezekiel 18.21-32.1-16; 2 Corinthians 12

Thursday: Psalm 30; 1 Samuel 16.14-23; Luke 8.1-3

Friday: Psalm 19; Ezekiel 20.21-38; James 1.1-11

Saturday: Psalm 23; Ezekiel 24.15-end; James 1.12-end

Sunday: Psalm 75; Song of Solomon 2; 1 Peter 4.7-14

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

Weekly News

18th July 2021



Booking to attend Church: As we need to follow HM Government and Church of England guidelines, as well as keeping everyone's safety and well being a priority, for the moment we are continuing our system of booking to attend the Sunday & Wednesday morning services. To book, please call the office 01793 853272 (and do leave a message, in case we do not answer in person)

Rev. Ollie Blease: Please hold in your prayers Ollie whose Licensing and Installation as Team Vicar within the Aldenham, Radlett and Shenley Team Ministry (with special responsibility for Christ Church and St John's, Radlett) in St Albans Diocese is this coming Wednesday 21st July at 7.30pm. Because of the current COVID-19 restrictions and continuing uncertainty as to what the Church of England Recovery Group will be advising from Monday 19th, only a small number of us have been invited to attend. The team at Radlett are very sorry about this, and are working out whether or not the service will be able to be live-streamed and/or recorded and put on YouTube. And if this is the case, we will of course get the necessary link information to you as soon as possible. In the meantime, we pray for Ollie, Mariama and their new community in Radlett, praying for God's blessing on them at the beginning of this new chapter.

St Barts Walking Group: The next walk will be on Monday 26th July and will be around five miles of easy walking from Avebury NT car park to the Sanctuary and back, a circular walk of around five miles, gates and stiles on the route. Meet at the NT car park at 9-30am.

Would those wishing to walk please contact Pat Jeanes by email, pat.jeanes@hotmail.co.uk or Roger Simpkins on 01793849934 if you don't have email. Looking forward to seeing every one again. Roger.

St Bartholomew's Discussion Group: Please see a separate sheet with an update

From the office: Please remember that Jane is still on medical leave, so we again request you refrain from emailing, 'phoning or calling at the Vicarage.

Sunday 18th July 2021

7th Sunday after Trinity

COLLECT

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

FIRST READING: *Jeremiah 23:1-6*

1 Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. 2 Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. 3 Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. 4 I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. 5 The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. 6 In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

SECOND READING: *Ephesians 2:11-end*

11 Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision' – a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands – 12 remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God

in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14 For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. 15 He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, 16 and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. 17 So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; 18 for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. 19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, 20 built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. 21 In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; 22 in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

GOSPEL READING: *Mark 6.30-34,53-56*

The apostles returned from their mission. 30 They gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. 31 He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. 32 And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. 33 Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. 34 As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

53 When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. 54 When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, 55 and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. 56 And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.