

**Prayers for the Church in Sudan and South Sudan:** let us give thanks for the generous response from churches and individuals across Leeds and Salisbury Dioceses as well as other parts of the country. Pray that it may become easier and quicker to transfer relief funds to Sudan and for it to reach the areas of greatest need.

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

Monday: Psalm 2; Daniel 1; Revelation 1

Tuesday: Psalm 5; Daniel 2:1-24; Revelation 2:1-11

Wednesday: Psalm 9; Daniel 2:25-end; Revelation 2:12-end

Thursday: Psalm 15; Daniel 3:1-18; Revelation 3:1-13

Friday: Psalm 16; Daniel 3:19-end; Revelation 3:14-end

Saturday: Psalm 18:31-end; Daniel 4:1-18; Revelation 4

Sunday: Psalm 91; Deuteronomy 17:14-end; 1 Timothy 2:1-7

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

# Weekly News

## 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020



**All Souls – remembering our departed loved ones...**

Instead of our usual service of commemoration of the departed, this year we are opening the church to anyone who would like to visit for a moment of quiet, to light a candle and to remember a loved one in prayer. This will be on **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November between 12 noon - 4pm.**

A video service of prayer and reflection is also available on our YouTube channel: 'St. Bartholomew & All Saints Church RWB'.

**The Bible Course – explore the BIG story...**

Want to read the Bible but don't know where to start? Seeking the confidence to study the Bible on your own? Needing help connecting together the bits you've been reading? **The Bible Course** is an eight-session course from **the Bible Society**, helping explore the world's bestseller, for those who are familiar with the Bible or just starting out. It's not too late to join us on Wednesday evenings, 7 - 8.30pm via Zoom starting this Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> November. To sign up and get the link, or to find out more, contact the Parish Office on 01793 853272 or at [churchadmin@stbartholomews-wb.com](mailto:churchadmin@stbartholomews-wb.com)

**The Children's Society – collecting the collection boxes...**

This year we have not been able, for obvious reasons, to hold a coffee morning for the Children's Society, meaning we also have not been able to ask people to bring their collection boxes in for the annual count!

The Children's Society however still needs our support – so if you are coming to church please bring your boxes and pop them into the box provided. Or give the Parish Office a call on 01793 853272 and someone will come and collect it for you.

And in due course we will get them back to you. Thank you!

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020

# All Saints' Day

## COLLECT

Almighty God,  
you have knit together your elect  
in one communion and fellowship  
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:  
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints  
in all virtuous and godly living  
that we may come to those inexpressible joys  
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
Amen.

## FIRST READING: Revelation 7: 9-13

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing,

'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

## SECOND READING: 1 John 3.1-3

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

## GOSPEL: Luke 6:20-31

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.