

## **Please Pray for the Church in Sudan and South Sudan**

Pray for stability in the political and security situations in Sudan so that the hoped for economic recovery and growth may go ahead. The political situation is complex, involving a diverse range of protest groups. Pray for all who are working for the best interests of the whole nation.

### The readings and psalms set for **Morning Prayer this week**

– for those who would like to join with us at home:

Monday: Psalm 20; Isaiah 5.8-24; Matthew 4.23-5.12

Tuesday: Psalm 21; Isaiah 5.25-end; Matthew 5.13-20

Wednesday: Psalm 23; Isaiah 6; Matthew 5.21-37

Thursday: Psalm 26; Isaiah 7.1-17; Matthew 5.38-end

Friday: Psalm 32; Isaiah 8.1-15; Matthew 6.1-18

Saturday: Psalm 33; Isaiah 8.16-9.7; Matthew 6.19-end

Sunday: Psalm 96; I Samuel 9.27-10.2a; 10.17-26; Matthew 13.31-35

### **Find out what we are up to at:**

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### **Keep in touch, or let us know if any help is needed at:**

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**Church children** next Sunday in The Croft 10 - 11 am Primary, Junior and Secondary School children are all welcome to join for fun crafts and worship

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

# **Weekly News**

## **7<sup>th</sup> November 2021**



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### **Services of Holy Communion**

**Wednesdays at 10:30 am & Sundays at 10:00 am**

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 8:00 am**

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**The Friends of St Bartholomew's Annual General Meeting this Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021** in the Church after the 10.00 am Service.

**Croft Quilters** We are at last restarting our afternoon gatherings and extend a warm welcome to new members. We meet in the Church Croft on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 2.30 to 4.30 pm and starting on the 10th November. We are a social group and you don't have to be a seamstress. To get a taster, why not drop in one afternoon and join us for a chat a laugh and a cup of tea or contact Ro (01793 852759) or Ruth (01793 852853)

**Royal Wootton Bassett's Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday ceremonies** will be held next week. The town council and the local branch of the Royal British Legion will hold acts of remembrance on Thursday November 11 at 10.45am and on Sunday November 14 at 2.30pm at the war memorial at the war memorial on the High Street.

**St. Bart's Discussion Group** - for the curious & interested:

Next meeting Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 7:00 pm **via Zoom**.

Topic: Theology - what is it ? and is it important ?

It has been decided that mainly considering cold, dark winter nights, we will be meeting via zoom going forward. All are welcome to join in, please contact the Parish Office if you would like more details or to join the mailing list.

**Link 6** is a volunteer organisation providing companion driver support to residents in need in the local area. They are up and running again so if you feel they could help, please contact them.

They are also in need of volunteer drivers and advise that insurance is covered by their organisation, and even offers to help just occasionally are very welcome. Please contact them on 07879 394666

# Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Advent

### COLLECT

Almighty Father,  
whose will is to restore all things  
in your beloved Son, the King of all:  
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,  
and bring the families of the nations,  
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,  
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### FIRST READING: *Jonah 3.1-5, 10*

The word of the LORD came to Jonah, saying, 'Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.' So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, 'Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!' And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

### SECOND READING: *Hebrews 9.24-28*

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgement, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

### GOSPEL READING: *Mark 1.14-20*

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.' And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.