

WHEATHILL PRIORY BENEFICE

“Jesus Lives: Follow Him”

Sunday 12 September 2021 15th Sunday after Trinity

Jesus asks his disciples and followers a lot of questions during his ministry. Much of the time if someone asks him a question he replies with another question. It could be argued that the questions at the start of this week’s Gospel are some of the most important ones

Who do People say that I am? Who do you say that I am?

He asks this in Caesarea Philippi which was outside Galilee, away from their usual environment and a city built to honour the Emperor Augustus. So the disciples are asked what their thoughts are on Jesus in a context that is not encouraging to faith.

I hope that this encourages us, there may be times when it feels difficult to declare that we believe in Jesus, that faith makes a difference to life or that we’re not going to concur with something someone wants us to do that challenges our ethical approach. Jesus followed Peter’s declaration with the warning that all those who follow him should expect to be challenged and prepared to give their all in following Jesus.

I don’t know what that will mean for you this week, but maybe it challenges each of us to think about:

- Language
- Time use
- Money given and spent
- Household priorities
- The place of worship
- Our use of our abilities and talents and more

So who do you say Jesus is, and what difference does that declaration make to life?

In the meantime, please don’t forget:

19 September 11am harvest Festival Keinton Mandeville followed by lunch.

Bible Readings

Sunday 12 September Psalm 116:1-8, Isaiah 50:4-9a, Mark 8:27-38

8:30 am Holy Communion Lydford on Fosse

10:30am 4 Churches walk begins Barton St David

3:30pm Songs of Praise Barton St David

Monday Psalm 30, 1 Chronicles 28:1-10, Mark 11:1-11

9am Morning Prayer Keinton Mandeville

Tuesday Psalm 2, Genesis 3:1-15, John 12:27-36a **Holy Cross Day**

Wednesday Psalm 34, 1 Chronicles 29:1-9, Mark 11:27-end

7:30pm Bible Book Club Lydford on Fosse

Thursday Psalm 37, 1 Chronicles 29:10-20, Mark 12:1-12

9am Morning Prayer in Lydford Church and on Zoom

Friday Psalm 31, 1 Chronicles 29:21-end, Mark 12:13-17

Saturday Psalm 42, 2 Chronicles 1:1-13, Mark 12:18-27

Sunday 19 September 8:30am Holy Communion Barton St David

11am Harvest Festival Keinton Mandeville Followed by Harvest Lunch

Our guidelines for how we're gathering for worship for the next month accompany this email but headlines are:

- We're recommencing singing
- We will continue to film and livestream/record & post to YouTube
- We're encouraging the wearing of masks
- We continue to take details of who is present for track and trace
- You can either sit in close proximity with someone or be distanced (if you want to be distanced please take a notice and put it on the pew beside you)
- Communion continues to be administered in pews and in one kind only

The Benefice Council discussed these guidelines this week and have decided to continue as we are at this time

Morning Prayer has restarted in Lydford Church at 9am on Thursday 9 September, we will be using Zoom so that those in other parishes can also join in. It will restart in Barton St David once the Living in Love and Faith Course has ended.

Phone Church

We have set up a phone line that you can use (for the cost of a local call so probably free for most) to listen to a reading, the reflection and prayers of intercession for the week. The phone number is **01458 552155**. The service will be available from Monday morning.

There is also the Church of England Daily Hope phone line, which has hymns, prayers and reflection



YouTube

Our weekly worship continues to be available on YouTube, we hope to livestream the services as they happen, so from 10:30am. If that fails we will upload them after the service. You can find the service here:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9tB_kpGA8SZwwyE9AmKvmg/videos?view=57

Forthcoming worship

- 19/9/21 8:30am Holy Communion Barton St David
 - 11:00am Benefice Harvest Celebration Keinton Mandeville
 - Harvest Lunch Keinton Village Hall
- 26/9/21 8:30am Holy Communion Lydford on Fosse
 - 10:30am Morning Prayer Barton St David
 - 4pm Faith 'n Fun Keinton Mandeville Churchyard
- 3/10/21 8:30am Morning Prayer Keinton Mandeville
 - 10:30am Holy Communion Lydford on Fosse

Zoom Details:**Topic: Morning Prayer****Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8750238874?pwd=dkpVVnNoZnhvcUJCeVNsYTdJRHZOZz09>

Meeting ID: 875 0238 8874

Passcode: 115224

Living in Love and Faith Course

Tuesday evenings on Zoom on 28 September, 5, 12, 19 October, 2, 9 November
7:00 – 9:00pm on Zoom

Wednesday mornings onsite in St John's Glastonbury on 29 September, 6, 13,
20 October, 3, 10 November 10:00am – 12:00pm

To book please email: <mailto:llf.glastonbury@gmail.com>

If you'd like more information then please speak to Jane

Bible Book Club

Bible Book club is reading Luke's Gospel and we'll meet on September 15 at
7:30pm. Why not come along & see what happens.