

WHEATHILL PRIORY BENEFICE

“Jesus Lives: Follow Him”

Sunday 17 July 2022 Trinity 5

This Sunday, in Keinton Mandeville, we look ahead to St Mary Magdalene. She is probably the woman disciple about whom there is the most conjecture and very little knowledge. (The lack of knowledge is true of many of the women, the conjecture is, I think unique to her.)

Think De Vinci Code, rumours about her life pre-Christ as a prostitute, something for which we have no real evidence apart from the juxtaposition of the anointing of Jesus by a ‘sinful woman’ at the end of Luke 7 and Mary’s inclusion in those who supported Jesus at the beginning of Luke 8.

What we do know about her is that she was one of the first who met Jesus following his resurrection. John tells us that she stays at the tomb, and sees not only the empty tomb but also the risen Lord. That encounter changes her life. Initially the disciples are not sure of the report the women bring back from the tomb (the disciples on the road to Emmaus tell Jesus that it seemed to them like an ‘idle tale’, but in time they too meet the risen Jesus and their lives are transformed as well.

Maybe having a church dedicated to her reminds us that we too are called to be witnesses to the resurrection and to the changes that knowing Jesus makes to our lives, day to day as well as Sunday by Sunday.

Bible Readings

Sunday 17 July 2022 Trinity 5/St Mary Magdalene Genesis 18:1-10a, Luke 10:38-42/ St Mary Magdalene: 2 Cor 5:14-17, John 20:1-2, 11-18

8:30am Holy Communion Barton St David

10:30am Morning Prayer Keinton Mandeville (St Mary Magdalene)

Monday Psalm 98, 1 Sam 1:1-20, Luke 19:28-40

Tuesday Psalm 106, 1 Sam 1:21-2:11, Luke 19:41-end

Wednesday Psalm 111, 1 Sam 2:12-26, Luke 20:1-8

Thursday Psalm 115, 1 Sam 2:27-end, Luke 20:9-19

9am Morning Prayer in Lydford

Friday Psalm 30, 1 Sam 16:14-end, Luke 8:1-3 (St Mary Magdalene)

Saturday Psalm 121, 1 Sam 4:1b-end, Luke 20:27-40

Sunday 24 July 2022

8:30am Holy Communion Lydford on Fosse

10:30am Morning Prayer Barton St David

4:00pm Faith 'n Fun Keinton Mandeville

Forthcoming worship

31/7/22 10:30am Joint service with Methodists to farewell Craig and Elizabeth, followed by bring & share lunch

7/8/22 10:30am Holy Communion Lydford on Fosse

14/7/22 10:30am Holy Communion Kingweston

On 31 July we'll be meeting with our Methodist friends for worship in Keinton Village Hall and will use the opportunity to bid farewell and Godspeed to Rev Craig and Elizabeth Manley the Methodist ministers. If you would like to give a donation towards a leaving present then please put it in an envelope clearly marked Craig Manley and give it to a churchwarden. We need donations by 24/7/22. A new Methodist minister will arrive in August and begin their ministry in early September.

Funerals: We remember the bereaved families and friends of Hilda Esine, whose funeral is on 4 August at 11:30am in Mendip Crematorium and Nigel Woollcombe Adams who died on Monday 11 July. His funeral is not yet arranged.

Holiday club: will be in the Methodist Chapel on 30, 31 August & 1 September 10 – 12 for primary school age children. We're distributing flyers with the parish magazine, but if you'd like more information please contact Jane. There will be two meetings to prepare for the club:

Monday 8 August at 7:30pm

Thursday 25 August at 10:00am (when we will set up the hall)

Confirmation: Would you like to think about what it means to be a Christian, maybe to revisit some Christian basics or to prepare for confirmation? There is a Diocesan Confirmation Service in Wells Cathedral on 5/11/22. If you'd like more information please speak to Jane

Open the Book: We hope to restart our monthly Open the Book visits into school in September. Are you able to join the team? It involves a meeting and rehearsal once a month and the assembly in school. Please speak to Jane if you are able to join in, even if only occasionally!

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.

Our guidelines for how we conduct our worship are:

- Masks are now voluntary, it is your choice whether or not you wear one
- We sing
- We film and livestream/record & post to YouTube
- 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 using wafers and wine from small glasses, we will discuss returning to coming to the rail to receive after Easter
- We have reinstated Tea and Coffee after our church services, where we have people to prepare it.

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