

WHEATHILL PRIORY BENEFICE

“Jesus Lives: Follow Him”

Sunday 18 September 2022 Trinity 14

The last bulletin was written 2 weeks ago, before the world changed.

Now we're in a period of national mourning which ends on Tuesday morning, we've gathered in our churches, watched the TV, listened to others and are adjusting to different words in the National anthem and the fact that one of the most constant parts of our lives is no longer there.

We've known for months, even a few years that the Queen was getting frailer and older. She has managed to retain personal privacy and dignity in the midst of the aging process, but who would have thought that a mere two days after meeting a new prime minister she would be dead?

Her death reminds us all that death is something we cannot escape. It will eventually find each one of us. Many of us would probably like a death like The Queen's, in our own home without a prolonged illness and surrounded by family and those we know and love. Most of us are not able to choose when or how we will die, but we do have a choice about how we prepare to die:

- By talking to family and others about our preferences
- By being open about the reality
- Planning our funeral service and wishes
- Contemplating our relationship with God and preparing to meet him
- Maintaining (as far as we are able) good relationships with family and friends

If you'd like to talk about any of these with me then please do so!

Bible Readings for weeks beginning 4 & 11 September

Sunday 18 September

8:30am Holy Communion Barton St David

10:30am Service of Thanksgiving and Commemoration Keinton Mandeville

12:15pm Baptism of Tallulah Fischer Keinton Mandeville

Monday Psalm 1, 1 Kings 1:5-31, Acts 13:13-43

Tuesday Psalm 5, 1 Kings 1:32-2:4, 2:10-12, Acts 13:44-14:7

Wednesday Psalm 49, 1 Kings 19:15-end, 2 Timothy 3:14-end (St Matthew)

9am Morning Prayer Barton St David

7:30pm 'Talking Jesus' first meeting

Thursday Psalm 15, 1 Kings 4:29-5:12, Acts 15:1-21

9am Morning Prayer Lydford on Fosse

Friday Psalm 19, 1 Kings 6:1, 11-28, Acts 15:22-35

Saturday Psalm 23, 1 Kings 8:1-30, Acts 15:36-16:5

Sunday 25/9/22 8:30am Holy Communion Lydford on Fosse

10:30am Morning Prayer Barton St David

4:00pm Faith 'n Fun Keinton Mandeville Churchyard

Forthcoming worship

2/10/22 8:30am Morning Prayer Keinton Mandeville

10:30am Holy Communion Lydford on Fosse

9/10/22 10:30am Benefice Harvest Festival Keinton Mandeville followed by Harvest Lunch Keinton Village Hall

Open the Book If you're interested in helping out with Open the Book please do come to The Rectory on Wednesday 28 September at 1:30pm. We'll talk about how we might restart, plan some dates and organise our next steps. If you would like to be involved but can't come please let Jane know.

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

Talking Jesus Our Autumn course will be 'Talking Jesus' an opportunity to think about how we talk about our faith to friends and family in a way that is natural for us led by Rev Andy Grey from the Diocesan Offices. Taking place in The Rectory Wednesday 21 September, 5 October, 19 October & 2 November all at 7:30pm

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.

I'd love to know if you use Phone church, I've not been updating it regularly but if you use it please do let me know.

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)

