



MITCHAM PARISH CHURCH

St Peter & St Paul

SUNDAY 14th NOVEMBER 2021

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

9.30am PARISH EUCHARIST

Following on to the War Memorial, Lower Green West at 10.45am

TUESDAY 16th NOVEMBER

10.00am MIDWEEK EUCHARIST

followed by 'Open Church' until 12 noon

7.30pm HOLY HABITS Bible Study

- see the separate notice for the Zoom code.

**EVERY FRIDAY at 6.00pm on-line 'Live on Facebook' - then on YouTube:
THE EUCHARIST for the coming Sunday**

SUNDAY 21st NOVEMBER

CHRIST THE KING

10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST

TUESDAY 23rd NOVEMBER

10.00am MIDWEEK EUCHARIST

followed by 'Open Church' until 12 noon

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SUNDAY'S READINGS



A reading from the book of Daniel.

In the third year of King Cyrus a word was revealed to Daniel. 'At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Daniel 12.1-3

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark*

Glory to you, O Lord.

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.'

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Mark 13.1-8



FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Our prayer-partner Parish:
**St Katherine's Church,
Kingsdale in Matabeleland,
Zimbabwe**

*For all affected by Covid-19
and for all medical & care staff
and keyworkers.*

Those who are sick or in need:

Baby George Kingston, Eira Boot,
Samuel Lawrence, Jessie Willoughby,
Margaret Hudson, Albertha Hylton,
Elaine Boorer, Mo Banks, Eric Banks,
Martin Chisholm, Maureen Smith,
Karen Pugh, Betty Smith,
Dorothy Cummant-Wood

**- and those mentioned in our
Intercessions Book**

The Departed:

- those who have recently died:

Keith Rose,
Paul Keegan, Rose Barker,
Elsa Sobers, Iris Bannister,
David Amess, Betty Munt

*- and those whose Year's Mind
falls within this coming week.*

**✠ Rest eternal, grant them,
O Lord;
and let light perpetual
shine upon them.**

THE COLLECT

Almighty and eternal God,
from whose love we cannot be parted
hear us as we remember those
who have died in war,
torn from their loved ones and friends.

By your grace heal the nations
and bring into your kingdom
people of every race and country
to live at peace through Christ,
in whom all people on earth
are united with you and the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

Sacraments of the Church

**(Confession, Baptism,
Marriage, Anointing)**

are, where appropriate, administered by the
Clergy, and can be made available
in consultation with them.

*Please notify the Clergy
if you, or someone you know,
is not well - and please keep the Clergy
up-dated on people's progress.*

A PRAYER FOR THESE CHALLENGING TIMES

Lord, we pray for a vision of your world
as your love would make it:
A world where the weak are protected
and none go hungry or poor;
A world where the benefits of life
are fairly shared;
A world where nations, races, cultures
and religions live with mutual respect;
A world where peace is built with justice,
and justice is guided by love.
May we have the courage
and inspiration to play our part
in building it.
Amen.

Father David writes.....

This week we have been called to remembrance ceremonies; both at the Cross of Sacrifice in our graveyard on Thursday, and this Sunday to the War Memorial in our Church building – all before we collectively add our voices and presence to the Borough Commemoration at the Mitcham Civic War Memorial on Lower Green West.

As I was ‘dressing’ the War Memorial in Church this week with its poppy garlands, I have been reflecting on how well autumn and the ‘Remembrance Season’ go together; as the trees lose their leaves, so we remember the loss of our loved ones on All Souls’ Day, and the fallen through War over this Remembrance-tide. And it is quite right that we stop and remember ... and learn. The whole purpose of remembering (using a gift from God: our memory) is to recognise the joys and tragedies of the past - and learn from them, adapting our lives for the better. It’s a time to take stock, a time to ponder and understand; a time to repent of past failures - and a time to resolve to put things right for the future.

As I write this letter, the outcomes of the COP26 Climate Conference are not published, but I pray that we will have moved on from *what was* to *what can be* – a brighter future with all people at the conference showing that they have stopped, and thought things through, and recognised what has to be done for the sake of our sadly decaying world. And one really important thing for us to do is to keep praying; praying for our world which is a gift of God; praying that humankind may show respect for one another; determining to work cooperatively for the greater good of everyone. If there is just one thing positive to come out of our contemplation of past conflicts – and of potential future disasters, it is that we ALL should show greater love, one for another. **Amen.**

BIRTHDAYS

We wish a very happy birthday to all whose day falls this week.

**IVY WEIR
MARJORIE JORDAN
JAMES UNG
DEBORAH DOUGLAS**

***May the Lord bless
and keep you!***

Happy Birthday to you!

Is your birthday coming up soon?

***Do let the Parish Office know
by email if you
don't think you are on the List!***



CHURCH FLOWERS

The flowers we place in church each week may be sponsored in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving, or for any other reason.

To sponsor flowers, please speak to

Lin Matthews

Tel. 020 8646 3390

Holy Habits Bible Study: THIS Tuesday: 16th November

You are all invited to join Fr David on Zoom as we revive the focus on "Holy Habits".

This meeting, preparing for Advent tide,
will be looking at Matthew's Gospel: Chapters 1-4,

Fr David is inviting you to:

Mitcham Parish Church Tuesday Evening Zoom Meeting

Time: 7:30pm for an hour or so

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87035271607>

Meeting ID: **870 3527 1607** - there is NO passcode!

MITCHAM PARISH CHURCHYARD

I wonder if you ever see somebody tending the distinctive white War Grave stones in our graveyard? We are fortunate that we have a local volunteer here in Merton who looks out for ours.

While many people know about the Commonwealth War Graves Commission's work in France and Belgium, there are more than 160,000 war graves spread across the UK which are often less known about. The **Eyes On, Hands On** project allows volunteers across the country to reconnect with this history and heritage on their doorstep and help CWGC to ensure these war graves – scattered across more than 12,500 locations – are clean and well-tended.

Once trained as an Eyes On, Hands On volunteer, they are encouraged to visit the churchyards and burial grounds near to where they live. They're equipped with the know-how to spot the isolated graves which come under the Commission's care, and to undertake visits to ensure each grave is in a good condition. This regular information from local volunteers ensures CWGC's professional teams can be better directed - and allows them to act fast if an issue of damage or defacement is found, thus ensuring the respectful memory of those who died serving their country in many different aspects of work. Go to: www.cwgc.org/our-work/projects/eyes-on-hands-on for further details.

