

This Week's Notices – DOUBLE EDITION

Upcoming services:

Sunday 26th July	10:00am	Holy Communion at St David's
	11:00am	Café Church at St David's
Thursday 30th July	9:30am	Holy Communion at St John the Baptist
Sunday 2nd August	9:00am	Vacancy Parish Prayer Parish wide
	10:00am	Morning Prayer at St John the Baptist
	10:00am	Holy Communion at St David's
	10:00am	Holy Communion at St Mark's
Tuesday 4th August	9:00am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
Wednesday 5th August	9:00am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
Thursday 6th August	9:30am	Holy Communion at St John the Baptist
Sunday 9th August	10:00am	Eucharist at St John the Baptist
	10:00am	Holy Communion at St David's
	10:00am	Service of the Word at St Mark's

Parish Prayer Focus*

***Please note this a Double Prayer focus to include our Vacancy Parish Prayer at 9am Sunday 2nd August**

This month we will be focussing on our vision statement 'A community rooted in faith, sharing God's love with all.' Using two pictures Jesus uses from nature.

Read Matthew 13: 31-32

'He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches."

What do you particularly notice in this passage?

There is so much potential in a seed.

As we pray for our parish- where do we see potential- small signs of life?

Pray that those small seeds will root and be nourished and grow. That God's kingdom will come in this place.

Read John 15: 1-5 (esp 5)

'I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.'

What do you particularly notice in this passage?

There is so much value in remaining in the vine, abiding in God.

As we pray for our parish- give thanks for all that God has done in the past- what treasure have we inherited from the people who have gone before.

Pray that we continue to abide in God in this place. Pray for unity, a growing sense of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus and an openness to the Holy Spirit gifting us with much fruit.

Good News.

Throughout the vacancy we will be sharing one piece of Good News from across our parish each week in church on Sundays.

The Good News shared on Sunday 19th July was:

"Two weeks ago we had a offertory for the earthquake in Venezuela to be channelled through Christian Aid.

A huge thank you to everyone who gave so generously, we have been able to send £500 from the parish to aid the work there.

Our vision statement says 'We are a community rooted in faith sharing God's love with all.' Sometimes it's good to think of our neighbours across the globe and bless those we may never know or see in person as part of our sharing God's love with all.

Once again, thank you for your generosity and love."

Notices:

Morning Prayer on Zoom. There will be no morning prayer on Zoom Tuesday 28th July or Wednesday 29th July. Morning Prayer on Zoom will resume on Tuesday 4th August. Login details are available in the contact details at the end of the newsletter.

A Thank You from the Mothers Union.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Cantare Singers concert as part of our celebrations of 150 years of the Mothers Union. We raised around £700 which will be used to support various projects. Thank you so much.

Maureen's Open Garden in aid of Save the Children. Please join us on Sunday 16th August from 3-5pm at 51 Chalcombe Road NN2 8JD, for tea, cakes and a Grand Raffle. All Welcome. Cash only please. Maureen has been fundraising for Save the Children for over 50 years and I've been reliably informed that this is her last open garden so please come and support her and this worthwhile cause.

Summer Office Hours. My office hours are changing slightly in the Summer Holidays to allow for more flexibility around my little apprentice and her big brother. Thanks to the lovely laptop I will be working remotely during the week and be in the office at St David's on Friday afternoons by appointment. Also, rather than take the laptop to the seaside and get sand between the keys I'll be having a week off, I am back in the office

Wednesday 5th August

McMillan Afternoon Tea. Cakes, Treats and Good Company all for an amazing cause. Jane Serbyn is hosting an afternoon tea in aid of McMillan Cancer Support; Saturday 29th August, 2pm – 4pm, Vicarage Lane, NN2 6QS. For more information, or any special dietary requirements talk to Jane.

Readings

Date	Sunday	First Reading	New Testament	Gospel
26 th July	Trinity 8	Genesis 29. 15-28	Romans 8. 26-end	Matthew 13. 31-33, 44-52
30 th July	Thursday	Job 31. 16-23	Galatians 3 26-end Galatians 4 6-7	Luke 4 16-21
2 nd August	Trinity 9	Genesis 32 22-31	Romans 9 1-5	Matthew 14. 13-21
6 th August	Thursday	Daniel 7. 9-10, 13-14	2 Peter. 1 16-19	Luke 9. 28-36
9 th August	Trinity 10	Genesis 37 1-4, 12-28	Romans 10. 5-15	Matthew 14. 22-33

Kingsthorpe Team Ministry Contact Details

Pastoral

Pastoral Contact Number – Revd. Angie Kennedy: 07926 904085

The next Baptism & Wedding Surgery is Tuesday 4th August 6:30pm – 7:45pm at St David’s Church Hall

Zoom Prayer Login details

Meeting ID 89092051426

Pass code 487864

Office

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The Deadline for Items for the Newsletter is Thursdays 9pm

Summer Opening - The office is open Friday afternoons by prior appointment.

<u>Our Churches</u>			
	St David’s	St John the Baptist	St Mark’s
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