



Welcome on All Saints' Day

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Today Lessons from Luke 'For all the Saints'	10.30am Gather to Pray <i>all welcome</i>
	11am Family Holy Communion with Revd Nathan Kiyaga (the Area Dean) <i>followed by coffee</i> https://youtu.be/O1TJ5Z2xjYU
	4.30-6.30pm Jollyween Autumn Light Party

Collect God of holiness,
 your glory is proclaimed in every age:
 as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
 inspire us to follow their example
 with boldness and joy;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Thanks go to:
 The Sound Team



Church usually open for visitors/prayer Monday – Friday 12-2pm

Tues 1 Nov	9-11.30am Toddlers <i>in the church</i>
	12-1.30pm Matt's Knits <i>knit and natter in the Hall – all welcome</i>
	7.45pm Alpha <i>on zoom</i>
Wed 2 Nov All Souls Day	9am Holy Communion for All Souls Day <i>Do join us and have a coffee afterwards</i>
	9.40am Ukrainian support group/coffee morning
	9.45am Alpha <i>in the lounge</i>
	7.15-9pm St Matts Gospel Singers <i>practice in church</i>
Thurs 3 Nov	1.30pm - Ilsham School Harvest, to include commissioning service <i>– all welcome</i>
Fri 4 Nov	10-11.30am Mummy & Me <i>in the church</i>
	6.30-8pm Youth Club
Sat 5 Nov	9am Men's Breakfast - <i>Livermead House Hotel</i>
Sun 6 Nov	8am Holy Communion <i>(from the Book of Common Prayer)</i>
	9.30am Explore Together
	10.30am Gather to Pray <i>all welcome</i>
	11am Holy Communion <i>followed by coffee</i>

Readings for Today

Ephesians 1:11-14

¹¹ All things are done according to God's plan and decision; and God chose us to be his own people in union with Christ because of his own purpose, based on what he had decided from the very beginning. ¹² Let us, then, who were the first to hope in Christ, praise God's glory!

¹³ And you also became God's people when you heard the true message, the Good News that brought you salvation. You believed in Christ, and God put his stamp of ownership on you by giving you the Holy Spirit he had promised. ¹⁴ The Spirit is the guarantee that we shall receive what God has promised his people, and this assures us that God will give complete freedom to those who are his. Let us praise his glory!

Luke 6:20-31

²⁰ Looking at his disciples, he said:

‘Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ Blessed are you who hunger now,
for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²² Blessed are you when people hate you,
when they exclude you and insult you
and reject your name as evil,
because of the Son of Man.

²³ ‘Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ ‘But woe to you who are rich,
for you have already received your comfort.

²⁵ Woe to you who are well fed now,
for you will go hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you,
for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

²⁷ ‘But to you who are listening I say: love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who ill-treat you. ²⁹ If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Dates for your diary!

Thursday 3 November 1.30pm a Special Ilsham School Harvest Service with the commissioning of the new head, Mr Grinsill. It will be great to have some of the 'Sunday/Wednesday' church family join in that celebration of our partnership.

Sat 5 Nov Men's Breakfast Livermead House Hotel – Matt Bray from Bay Church &

Sat 3 Dec at the Grand Hotel – ladies invited too! To book:

charlieallansen@gmail.com

Christmas Crafts Afternoon 7 November @ 2.30pm (Girls Allowed)

Contact judithstannard@outlook.com for more information.

Friends of St Matthias Christmas Market - 12 November - help needed! We are looking for contributions - good quality books, jigsaw puzzles and games, cakes, jams and chutneys. We also need helpers for a range of duties before during and after the event. If you could help please speak to Christine (291033) or Rob (07305 681522).

Sunday 13 Nov 10 - 10.40am. Special prayer meeting here at St Matthias

"A World in Crisis" - pray for Iran, Ukraine and Britain (and much more!) All welcome



Wednesday 16th Nov 'Warm Space' begins St Matthias is planning to

help by opening as a Warm Space on Wednesdays from 12noon - 5pm.

Drop in for hot soup with a roll and a hot drink, a chat and to keep

warm. Hopefully church members will drop in and socialise along with

others from the area around us. Everyone welcome! See the notice board at the back of church for details.

Big Quiz Night to raise money for Tearfund on **November 19th at 7.30pm**. Please invite friends and register your team at ecoaction@st-matthias-church.org Donate on our Just Giving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/eco-action-group-st-matthias-torquay>

Other News

Sad news We are sad to let you know that Simon Robbins-van Rijn died last Sunday. A memorial service will be held at St Matthias on Friday 18 Nov at 2pm. Our thoughts and prayers are with Paulina and the family at this time.

Shoebox Appeal St Matthias is once again supporting the Christian Response to Eastern Europe Shoe Box appeal for Moldova which this year will also help displaced Ukrainians. A few guidelines - please do label your box for a boy or girl, woman, man or for a whole family and state the approx age range. The authorities will only accept new items in these boxes. The following are always welcome - hobby crafts, toiletries, long life food tins, chocolate, clothes and toys. We will be collecting during the Friends' Christmas Market on Saturday 12th November or you can leave your box at Church anytime!



Community Larder are particularly in need of tinned potatoes, tinned fruit and carrier bags. Thank you.

Prayers

Suggestions for our Praise and Prayers this week

Sun We pray that we may all learn more and be better followers of Jesus Christ and endeavour to make Him known in our community.

Mon Pray for all those in our congregations who have problems in their lives, some known to us and some known only to themselves – the sick, those in pain, those worried and those with physical or material problems.

Tue Please pray for the new Prime Minister, Rishi Sunak, as he works with the difficult economic position of the country and to produce fair measures. Please pray for his new cabinet, for unity and effectiveness.

Wed Please pray for the measures being taken by the church on Wednesday afternoons to provide a warm space and information for those in financial need.

Thu Please pray for Nicci Maxwell our CMS Mission Partner in her work at Kisoro, Uganda. Pray she may have good health, and good relationships with her staff and Government contacts.

Fri Please pray for India at this time, especially during Diwali, with anti-Muslim measures being taken, with also incidental impact on Christians, that there may be a more tolerant environment and for peace.

Sat Pray for His Majesty King Charles, Camilla Queen Consort, the Prince and Princess of Wales, all the Royal Family, and all who rule over us in Church and State.

Sun Pray for peace in our world especially in Ukraine where unthinkable things are still happening and people are still being killed, both Ukrainian and Russian.

CHRISTMAS!

Welcomers and Stewards Would you like to welcome the congregation and visitors to our church over Christmas? We are looking for people to help at our services on Christmas Eve. Please see the sign-up sheets at the back of church.

If you are already thinking about buying your Christmas presents you may like to look at this Alternative Gifts Catalogue from Potters Village in

Uganda www.pottersvillage.org.uk/friends-of-pv/christmas-gifts/



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