NOTICES:

CLOSURE OF THE CHURCH BUILDING: Following the instructions of our Archbishops and Bishops all Church of England buildings, including All Saints, are currently closed. Both emails and phone messages are being picked up remotely, so please continue to contact the church if you need to and we will do our best to help you.

CHURCH GIVING AND COLLECTIONS: As the services are unable to take place at the moment, those of you who wish to continue to support the church whose utility, staff, and diocesan commitments still continue may do so in one of the following ways: Envelopes can be posted through the church letterbox. You may wish to pay direct to the church bank account or set up a regular standing order. If you wish to do this these are the banking details you will need:

Bank Sort code: 40-52-40

Account: All Saints Leighton Buzzard

A/C No: 00019360

With many thanks for everyone's continued support at this time.

APCM: It is likely that the Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be rearranged. However in the meantime please continue to send your AGM reports to parish@allsaintslb.org.uk.

PCC & DEANERY VACANCIES: If you are interested in joining the PCC or becoming a Deanery Representative, please contact Mother Cate or Lindsay for more information.

REVISION OF ALL SAINTS ELECTORAL ROLL: Our Electoral Roll will be updated before the APCM. If you have changed address, telephone no. or email since April 2019, please contact me with the details, or leave a note in the Parish Office. Not on the Roll? All members of the congregation who are actively sharing in the life and worship at All Saints may like to consider indicating your support of its ministry by joining the Electoral Roll. A Privacy Notice is available to view upon request. For more information please contact Liz Corbett 372822.

LUNCH CLUB: Lunch Club on 1st April has been cancelled. Tickets will be carried over to the next occasion but refunds are available if preferred.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

Whether you are a member of our congregation or not and you would like support, be it a chat, help with shopping etc. please call us on 01525 381418 and we will endeavour to help you through this time.

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Sunday 29th March 2020 Lent 5 Passion Sunday

Public Worship Suspended

In the meantime, there is lots of information and resources for prayer on the Church of England website. We are also regularly updating our Facebook Page and website (details above).

The Collect & Readings for Today

Collect:

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross, we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings: Ezekiel 37: 1-14

Romans 8: 6-11

Gospel: John 11: 1-45

IN YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE REMEMBER

Sick: Tony Simpson, Michael Grant, Marie Brooker, Mike Nash,

Ava Palmer, David Clarke, David Cox, Kerry Sykes, Derek Windle,

Marjorie Bewick

RIP: Andrew Watts, Raymond Arthur Harvey, Christine Hermann,

Leonard Robert Webster

Year's Mind: Norman Barnard, Richard Greensted, Malcolm Alder,

Frederick Saunders, Betty Ransom, Doris Ranger,

Isabella Campbell McKee Bell,

Prayers for this difficult time:

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy in this time of uncertainty and distress. Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord Jesus Christ,
you taught us to love our neighbour,
and to care for those in need
as if we were caring for you.
In this time of anxiety, give us strength
to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick,
and to assure the isolated
of our love, and your love,
for your name's sake. **Amen.**

God of compassion, be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation. In their loneliness, be their consolation; in their anxiety, be their hope; in their darkness, be their light; through him who suffered alone on the cross, but reigns with you in glory, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For the Christian community

We are not people of fear:
we are people of courage.
We are not people who protect our own safety:
we are people who protect our neighbours' safety.
We are not people of greed:
we are people of generosity.
We are your people God,
giving and loving,
wherever we are,
whatever it costs
For as long as it takes
wherever you call us.

Some personal prayers:

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your disciples, 'I am with you always'. Be with me today, as I offer myself to you. Hear my prayers for others and for myself, and keep me in your care.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

The Jesus Prayer

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Common Worship

O gracious and holy Father, give us wisdom to perceive you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, eyes to behold you, a heart to meditate upon you, and a life to proclaim you, through the power of the spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord.

St Benedict

Before going to sleep:

God our Father, by whose mercy
the world turns safely into darkness and returns again to light:
we place in your hands our unfinished tasks,
our unsolved problems, and our unfulfilled hopes,
knowing that only what you bless will prosper.
To your love and protection
we commit each other and all those we love,
knowing that you alone are our sure defender,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Church of South India