

In our Team: Pray for those returning to school or college
In the World: Pray for education
In the Diocese: Pray for the Bishop of Bedford
In the Wider Church: Pray for the Province of Canterbury in England

NOTICES:

SERVICE TIMES WITH EFFECT FROM 1st SEPTEMBER: Please note that Sunday Services are resuming as follows: 8am, **9.30am**, **11.30am** and 6pm. We are also resuming services at 7.30pm on Tuesdays and 9am on Saturdays. There will be NO service on Wednesdays at present.

COFFEE SHOP: The Coffee shop hopes to welcome customers back on Tuesday 8th September in a Covid-safe way. Times will be 10-2pm and it will be waitress service. Things will be very different and will probably change as we develop new ways of working enabling both our customers and staff to stay safe, so please bear with us at this time.

APCM: The new date for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting is Sunday 20th September 2020 at 10.45am.

PCC & DEANERY VACANCIES: We have four vacancies on the PCC and 4 vacancies for Deanery Synod. If you are interested please see Lindsay for more information.

BIKE 'N HIKE SPONSORS NEEDED: This is the **LAST SUNDAY** before Saturday 12th September. Remember 50% of all the sponsorship comes back to us at All Saints. This is an ideal opportunity to help fill the hole in our finances as well as helping to keep local churches in good repair. A sponsorship form is available for those who would like to sponsor one of the participants. Please complete the form and drop it into the box by the West Door. Alternatively, Brian's JustGiving link is now on the church Facebook page, so to donate you just need to click on the link and follow the instructions. You can also go directly to <http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Brian-Bainbridge>. Many thanks for your sponsorship.

ALL SAINTS APIARY HONEY FOR SALE: delivery available. The beneficial properties of honey were well publicised in the press recently. The Bee Team are now pleased to be able to offer: Runny Honey, Soft Set Honey or Ginger Honey, all at £3.50 for an 8oz jar Please contact Margaret Wallace either by phone 07983 989406, or by email - margaret.wallace3@icloud.com. Payment should be made on collection/delivery as arranged with Margaret. Either a cheque payable to The Bee Team, or cash, placed in an envelope please. *We also have a limited number of lavender, rose and herbal hand creams available. Made from beeswax and essential oils, they are a perfect tonic for frequently sanitised hands. Please speak to Margaret for details.*

CREATIONTIDE: The start of September marks the beginning of the Season of Creationtide, which culminates with Harvest Sunday on 4th October. The theme for this year is 'Jubilee for the Earth'. It is a chance for us to thank God for the gifts of his creation, remind ourselves on our dependence on the planet and it's ecosystems and renew our commitment as Christians to be stewards of creation and our duty to reduce our negative impacts upon it.

The All Saints Eco Church Group would like to invite you to undertake a personal environmental audit using the carbon footprint calculator at www.footprint.wwf.org.uk. This is a great way to assess your impact on the planet and to get ideas of how to treat more lightly on the earth.

Follow the church's facebook page or visit www.allsaintslb.org.uk/our-church/eco-church/ over the next few weeks to read tips about how to be eco-friendly during this Covid pandemic.

ECO-CHURCH REGIONAL CONFERENCE: All Saints is "hosting" an online Eco Church conference on behalf of the St Albans Diocese and Arocha on Saturday 10th October. All are welcome to join us remotely for all or any part of the various presentations and discussions during the day. For more information or to sign up go to www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/eco-church-working-together-to-net-zero-10th-oct-tickets-117990349311

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

HARVEST FESTIVAL: Sunday 4th October – don't forget to bring a tin/packet of non-perishable food for donating to the Harvest Appeal.

HARVEST PIGNIC: Sunday 4th October at Noon. Tickets now available from the office £7.50/£5.00 concessions.

WINTER WARMER FOOD & CRAFT FAYRE: Due to the current situation, the Fayre has been moved to Saturday 7th November, 11am-2pm in the Churchyard. If you are thinking of running a stall, please contact Richard Parsons to book your space. Please note you will need to be self-sufficient in all things – gazebo, tables etc.