

## Parish Notices

**Deanery Prayer for April** – Please click on the link to view the deanery prayer:

[Deanery Prayer notice April 2020.pdf](#)

**All Saints 50/50 Club.** All monthly draws are suspended until we can hold them in church again. Then we will have a grand catch up!

**Electoral Roll Revision** – It's that time of year when we review our Electoral Roll. Being on the Electoral Roll means you can vote on Church matters, attend Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCM) and stand for election to the Parochial Church Council (PCC). Please speak with our Churchwarden's Denise Joy or Robert Philo and ask for an Application Form.

**PCC Draft Accounts** – Have now been sent to our Independent Examiner in preparation for our APCM, The draft accounts can be seen on our website by entering the link [www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk/draftaccounts2019.pdf](http://www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk/draftaccounts2019.pdf) if you have any questions about the accounts please send an email to [marchant.allsaintsmaidstone@gmail.com](mailto:marchant.allsaintsmaidstone@gmail.com) so that your question can be answered.

**Please see below for following links and advice:**

[Maidstone Borough Council Support for vulnerable people](#)

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches>

<https://www.churchofengland.org>

<https://www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk>

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com>

<https://www.canterburydiocese.org>

<https://stphilipchurchmaidstone.co.uk>

**Our Facebook Page:**  
[Link to our Face book page](#)

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*If anyone would like to add anything to the weekly notices please speak to the Church Wardens or the Priest in Charge*

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**The Parish of All Saints**  
**with St Philip, Maidstone and**  
**St Stephen, Tovil**  
[www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk](http://www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk)

**Sunday 05<sup>th</sup> April 2020**  
**Palm Sunday**



**Our Church buildings must now be closed not only for public worship but also for Private prayer. This includes the Priest or Lay person offering prayer in Churches of their own.**

Rev Ian Parrish will be recording the Sunday Morning Worship service and it can be viewed via our Facebook page + Link is on this notice sheet and on both websites.

### **COLLECT**

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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.

### **GOSPEL – Matthew 21.1-11**

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, 'Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.' The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on

them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

#### **POST COMMUNION**

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

Intercessions

#### **Please pray for these and their families:**

Jean Williamson, Revd Kes Grant, Clive & Andrea Lever, Johnjo Flood, Vera Alflatt, Millie Moss, Audrey Little, Chris CSJD, Daphne Holland, Nigel Gunyon, Jane Sadler, Revd Brian Barnes, Keith Manuell. Mary Wheeler, Revd Ron & Dawn Gamble, Kelly & Family, Janet, Julian, Owen Reeves, Pat Stark, Greta Gooding, Family of Cathy Garner, Greta Gooding, Family of Revd Brian Barnes

#### **The departed and all who mourn their Passing:**

Revd Brian Barnes  
*Cathy Garner*  
*Henry Gooding*

## **Morning Worship Opening Sentences**

In the beginning, before time, before people, before the world began.

**God was**

Here and now among us, beside us, enlisting the people of earth for the purposes of heaven.

**God is**

In the future, when we have turned to dust and all we know has found its fulfilment.

**God will be**

Not denying the world, but delighting in it, not condemning the world, but redeeming it, through Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**God was, God is, God will be**

### **Prayer**

Lord God, early in the morning when the world was young you made life in all its beauty and terror, you gave birth to all we know. Hallowed be your name

**Hallowed be your name**

Early in the morning when the world least expected it, a newborn child crying in a cradle announced that you had come amongst us, that you were one of us.

Hallowed be your name

**Hallowed be your name**

In the midst of this current crisis when many are fearful and when the future is so uncertain we continue to believe that you walk with your people. Hallowed be your name

**Hallowed be your name**

Our faith reminds us that in a guarded graveyard the footsteps in the dew proved that you had risen, offering the promise of life and hope to all your people. Hallowed be your name

**Hallowed be your name**

So now, as we gather in our homes we continue to be your church celebrating your creation, your life, your death, your resurrection and your enduring and unfailing love for us; so to you we pray;

**Lord bring new life where we are worn and tired, new love where we have turned hard hearted, forgiveness where we feel hurt and where we have wounded, hope where we feel anxious and the joy and freedom of your Holy Spirit who is our constant guide.**

Loving God, source of healing and comfort, fill us with your grace, that the sick may be made whole, that those who care for us may be strengthened, that the anxious may be calmed, and those most vulnerable be protected, in the power of the Spirit, in the faith of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Psalm 121**

I will lift up my eyes to the hills but where shall I look for help  
My help comes from the Lord who has made heaven and earth

The Lord will not let your foot stumble, the one who guards you will not sleep  
The one who keeps watch over his people shall neither doze or sleep

The Lord is the one who will guard you, the Lord at your right hand will be your defence  
So that the sun shall not strike you by day, nor yet the moon by night

The Lord shall preserve you from all evil yes it is the Lord who will keep you safe  
The Lord shall take care of your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forever

### **The Gospel reading of the day**

*A few moments of quiet reflection or conversation and the opportunity to pray for all those whom we know to be most vulnerable over the coming days and weeks*

### **Prayers**

Christ be with me, Christ within me  
Christ behind me, Christ before me  
Christ beside me, Christ to win me  
Christ to comfort and restore me  
Christ beneath me, Christ above me  
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger  
Christ in hearts of all that love me  
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger

God bless this city and move our hearts to pity lest we grow hard  
God bless this house with silence, solitude and space that we may pray  
God bless these days of rough and narrow ways lest we despair

God bless the night and calm the people's fright that we may love  
God bless this land and guide us with your hand lest we be unjust

God bless this earth through pangs of death and birth and make us whole  
The Lord's Prayer

### **Blessing**

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you wherever he may send you  
May he guide you through the wilderness and protect you through the storm

May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.