



St Peter's Church

East Blatchington, Seaford

17 October 2021

Trinity 20

- **CONGREGATIONAL SINGING** has now resumed for the 10am Sunday service – but please continue to wear face coverings. The 5.30 service on Saturdays will remain COVID-secure, with masks and no singing.
- **COMPLINE** has returned for the winter – please see details on the front page.
- **EAST BLATCHINGTON CROCHET CIRCLE** meets at 7pm on alternate Monday evenings – next is Monday 18th.
- **Fr TREVOR'S** final Sunday service will be on 31 October at 10.30am in Bishopstone.
- **NEXT BENEFICE WALK.** Enjoy getting together for an autumnal walk on Sunday October 31, 2.30-4.30pm. Walk around Arlington Reservoir, with a there-and-back detour to visit Arlington Church. The reservoir has a pay car park, also toilets and a café, subject to autumn opening hours. If you'd like to come, please let Jane Figgess know ☎ 07931 319298. We may be able to organise car-sharing.
- **SOCKS AND CAKES.** Thanks to everyone who brought socks and cakes - thankfully not together! Cakes were enjoyed with coffee at the parish coffee morning and socks have been passed on to the MU for distribution to detainees at Gatwick.
- **HARVEST OFFERINGS.** All food donated at the Harvest Festival was distributed to the Foodbank. Thank you.
- **CAFE CHURCH** will be meeting for a time of thanksgiving and working out the next chapter of their place in the church: Tuesday 19 October, 4.30-6pm.
- **PLACEMENT STUDENT:** Carly Taylor has joined the United Benefice to begin her eight-week placement with us as part of her discernment to ordination.
- **NEW SENSORY MEMORIAL GARDEN.** We are fundraising for a sensory memorial garden and bench in the churchyard to go into the recently cleared area facing the porch. This space will be designed to help the church and community to remember and reflect on the many losses of this past eighteen months and mark this historic chapter within our churchyard. If you'd like to be part of it, donations made to the Treasurer would be very gratefully received.

SERVICES THIS WEEK	
Saturday	5.30pm – Parish Eucharist
Sunday	8am – BCP Holy Communion
Sunday	10am – Parish Eucharist <i>also livestreamed</i>
Today's hymns: 585 432 279 [282 & 280] 589	
Sunday	6pm – Evening Prayer
Monday to Saturday	9.30am – Morning Prayer <i>also on Facebook Live</i>
Monday, Wednesday and Friday	8pm – Compline <i>on Facebook Live.</i> Please ask the Rector if you would like a copy of the service.
Wednesday	10.30am – Mid-week Eucharist
'Breathing Space' 6pm every Monday ... half an hour of silence for prayer and contemplation, also available on Zoom — link available from our website. Meeting ID: 851 6436 0499, passcode: letmein.	
Rosary Group: 6.15pm every Tuesday ... A gentle time of praying the rosary in St Peter's Church. Curious are welcome! Please contact Fr Joe (details below) for more information.	

We give thanks for the continuing advances with the COVID vaccine and pray for ...

- our church community as we draw back together;
- all the groups that use our Chapel Rooms;
- Fr Trevor as he prepares for his retirement on 3rd November and subsequent move to Devon;
- South Sudan ...
 - an end to conflict and violence, and for lasting peace and reconciliation;
 - the provision of food, so that the threat of severe hunger may be lifted;
 - access to clean water – for example from new boreholes;
 - God's peace and protection, in the light of climate threats and health risks;
- those listed in 'Cross Keys' and all who have asked for our prayers;
- the recently departed;
- those whose year's minds fall at this time:
20: Aileen Murray; 21: Donald Cornah, Osvaldo Pinheiro.

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COLLECT

God, the giver of life,
 whose Holy Spirit wells up within your
 Church:
 by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the
 gospel of Christ and make us eager
 to do your will,
 that we may share with the whole
 creation the joys of eternal life;
 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.

FIRST READING Isaiah 53:4-12

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of

many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

PSALM Psalm 91:9-16

R *Keep me as the apple of your eye.*
 Because you have made the Lord your refuge
 and the Most High your stronghold,
 There shall no evil happen to you,
 neither shall any plague come near your tent.
 For he shall give his angels charge over you,
 to keep you in all your ways. **R**

They shall bear you in their hands,
 lest you dash your foot against a stone.
 You shall tread upon the lion and
 adder;
 the young lion and the serpent you shall
 trample underfoot.
 Because they have set their love upon
 me,
 therefore will I deliver them;
 I will lift them up, because they know
 my name. **R**

They will call upon me and I will answer them;
 I am with them in trouble,
 I will deliver them and bring them to honour.
 With long life will I satisfy them
 and show them my salvation. **R**

SECOND READING Hebrews 5:1-10

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears,

to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

GOSPEL Mark 10:35-45

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognise as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

POST COMMUNION

God our Father,
 whose Son, the light unfailing,
 has come from heaven to deliver the
 world from the darkness of ignorance:
 let these holy mysteries open the eyes
 of our understanding
 that we may know the way of life,
 and walk in it without stumbling;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

