

Christ Church Higher Bebington



Sunday 24th May 2020
7th Sunday of Easter

This morning, Rev Mike Loach will lead and Helen Byrne (Reader in Training) will preach at our 10am live-streamed service.

Weekly sermons are available on the church website: christchurchbeb.org.uk

HYMNS:

Now thank we all our God
Father we love you
I the Lord of sea and sky

Rose Queen Bingo by Zoom!
Saturday 30 May 7.00pm

Featuring "Make your own
Bingo" and "Rock n Roll Bingo"

Bring your own Booze!!

£5 per
house - to
Rose Queen
Fund



Limited availability so book
your place with Ian Millington -
icdcmilli@sky.com - to avoid
disappointment.

Monday 25th May 9.30am

Start the Week with prayer
on Zoom.

Contact Eunice if you would like
to take part.

Prayer for the week:

**O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son
Jesus Christ with great triumph to
your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not
comfortless, but send your Holy
Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us
to the place where our Saviour
Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen**

Thoughts for the week:

'If we knew how to listen to God, we
should hear him speaking to us. He
speaks in his gospel; he speaks also
through life.'

Michel Quoist

'Happiness is a result of knowing God and
experiencing his love.'

Judah Smith

'I will praise God's name in song and
glorify him with thanksgiving.' *Psalms 69:30*

We are now members of the Wirral Environmental Network and they have published their newsletter online. It has lots of interesting features and activities. Here is a link:

<https://mailchi.mp/70640811edd2/wirral-environmental-network-newsletter-9297410?e=ff1af890ab>

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (17:1-11)(NRSV)

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus Prays for His Disciples

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



The prayer course continues this week
Session 4 – Intercession
Watch in your own time at
<https://prayercourse.org/session/adoration/>

If you would then like to discuss with others why not join on Zoom either

- Wednesday (May 27th) 11.00am
- Thursday (May 28th) 8.15 pm

Please contact Eunice for Zoom details - 648 5343 or 07763 890840

euniceblackmore@talktalk.net

You may also like to download the Lectio 365 App - or purchase the course book - How to Pray—a simple guide for normal people on offer at £7.49 from www.aslanchristianbooks.com

Thy Kingdom Come 21 May to 31 May (Ascension to Pentecost)
2020 focus - 'Prayer and Care'— care for those you are praying for,
pray for those you are caring for.
Download an App to help you!



Ladies in Stitches are meeting online again on **Thursday 28th May** at 10am. If you would like to join us, send your email address to Julie at centremanager@christchurchhigherbebington.org.uk



QUIZ

Every Friday evening, at 7pm, Tracy is organising a weekly quiz via Zoom open to the whole family. If you are interested in taking part, please contact Tracy: traocon@googlemail.com All are welcome to join in.

The doors may still be closed but the work of Christ Church goes on and, unfortunately, needs to be paid for! A special thank you to everyone who contributes by standing order; this has been a tremendous advantage in these troubled times. If you would like to switch to a standing order, you can download a form from the website, contact your bank direct or give the treasurer a call (Charles Van Ingen 334 1956). If you give by envelope, please continue putting the money in week by week and bring the envelopes along when the opportunity arises. If you give by cash on the plate, please put the money aside in a handy jam-jar and bring it along when you can. Thank you again for your ongoing support and prayers, Charles & Mike.

We still need your donations for our local foodbank. Collection points are outside the Co-op and also outside Christ Church Community Centre. Many thanks.



Bebington Care Home are still collecting items for residents to use in lockdown including old brass ornaments, pairs of socks, old books and magazines and balls of wool and knitting needles. If you can help, please drop off in one of the collection buckets outside the Community Centre or outside the Vicarage. Thank you!

ECO CHURCH Now that garden centres have opened up again, consider buying plants which are insect friendly, to attract bees, butterflies, hoverflies etc. - Foxgloves, heathers, buddleia, lupins, bugle, ivy sedums and the shrub, mahonia will all get your garden buzzing! For herbs, plant thyme, marjoram and borage.

If you have a DVD player and would like to receive a copy of the services streamed on You Tube, please let Rev Mike know or contact the Parish Office.

For those able to access You Tube, weekly 10am Sunday services are being streamed, along with quiet reflections. Search for 'Christ Church HB' or follow this link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPD_Phsd0o2MYNudgbzFUzg

With no clear idea as to how long social distancing may have to continue for, if anyone has any ideas as to how church could further connect with the community, please contact Rev. Mike Loach.

Coronavirus – Needing to self-isolate? Help is at hand...

If you are in need of any **practical support** such as food shopping, picking up prescriptions or dog walking, please call any of the following numbers and we will arrange for someone to help you:

Christ Church Parish Office: 07473028991

Rev Mike Loach: 0151 609 0943

Rev Eunice Blackmore: 0151 648 5343

Kate Lewis: 07891590743

Sarah Loach: 07828166490

If you feel in need of a **chat or just want some advice or reassurance**, please call any of the following people, who will be more than happy to speak with you:

June Fogg: 07711180491

Audrey Clare: 0151 334 2145

Heather Whitehead: 0151 608 7205

Alan/Vera Jackson: 0151 608 2466

Cllr Jerry Williams: 07926062968

Cllr Christina Muspratt: 07762099381

Charles Stephens: 0151 645 4396

Laurence Jones: 0151 608 0853

Funerals last week:

David Owens, David Gleave, Harold Sidney Saunders.

Forthcoming funerals:

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| Monday 25 th May | 1.10pm | Gillian Doreen Thompson | Landican South |
| Monday 1 st June | 2.40pm | Margaret England | Blacon |

Anniversaries: Mary Bentley, John Ellis, Debra Kane, Philip Gordon Emmas, Dave Roberts, John Clarke, Norrie Dewhurst, Laura Tharme, Rosalind Smith, Alison Sims, Ernest Sinton, Jane E. McMillan, Edna Jones, Henry Williams, Irene Wilson.

Prayer List: Maureen Ashworth, Cliff Barr, Sharon Beecham, Ann Bisbrown-Lee, George Bond, Krista Cater, Jan Cowell, Yvonne Cranny, Elsa Dowling, Mavis Duggan, Nora Duncan, John Evans, Mary Garland, Paula Green, Cara Elise Hartt, Simon Hayes, Pam Hollinshead, Lyndsey Howard, Anne Jones, Ted Jones, Richard Kelly, Paul Lewis, Jim Lloyd, Wendy Martin, Brenda McGrattan, Will McElroy (age 6), Heather Millington, Helen Nealy, Ian Pass, Lorraine Petropoulou, Rita Quine, Diane Randles, Howard Rogers, Joanne Russell, John Russell, Diane Saunders, Ina Shorrocks, Janet Shorrocks, Barbara Smith, Ann Tait, Keira Taylor, Roisin Terris, Jackie Turner, Keelin Turner, Malcolm Wheatley, Ron White, Whittaker Family, Sophie, Jonah (aged 8), Mark and Roy.

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The Parish Office is currently closed until further notice.