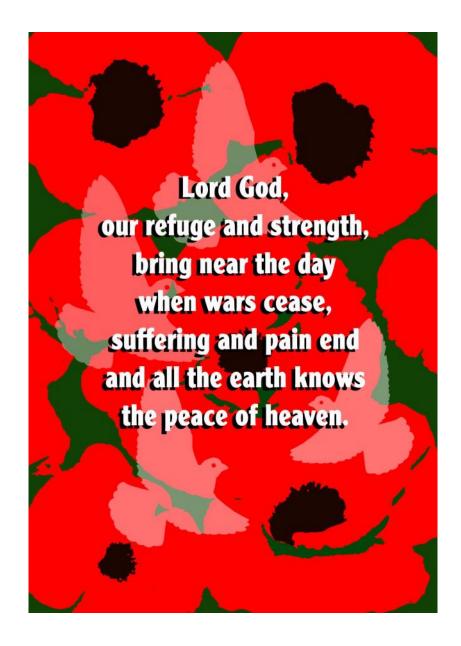


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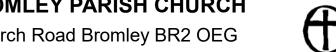


News of Saint Peter and Saint Paul

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Dear Reader,

Welcome to the November edition of the Key! Apologies that the last couple of editions have been released later in the month, I have not kept up with deadlines, but happy to have got there in the end!

This edition includes one of James' sermons on the Lords' Prayer, some things to look forward to as we move towards Christmas, and an update on our sister Church in Harare from Ed. Please also look out for the JusB prayer points and Lynn's thank you for the success of her cake sale.

Enjoy, and see you at the next edition!

With love

Lisa

## Sermon

The sermon for November has been kindly provided by Rev James, thank you for sharing this.

### In the Name of the Father and Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

So we are at week 4 of our series on the Lord's prayer. It is probably worth saying myself when we are having this series.

The Lords prayer is one of those things we are incredibly familiar with, that we often become blind to it and what it says. Last week I was up in Mirfield for a conference, which is really quite interesting, but one of the striking things there was how slowly the brothers said the Lord's Prayer as a community, with distinct pauses between the lines. It was a bit infuriating when you get used to rattling through it in a certain way. But what it did was force you to stop and to look at it as outsider to think about the words we have said, what we're saying and what they mean.

Because it's never clear when Jesus says when you pray, pray this way, whether he means the exact words recorded or just that it is a model for prayer. Quite possibly both are applicable. But often we can be blind to those words and what they tell us about prayer- it is something we know is important and needs doing, but its not always easy to say why.

And so, this sermon series, even though the irony of looking at prayer through the very unprayerful medium of essentially a spoken lecture is not lost on me, this is really just the start point to reaffirm actually thinking about what we do in prayer, what it does in us and what it could be. And it's probably a starting point for conversation as we have as a parish about what do you want to do about our prayer life? So this is, I suppose, an invitation over these weeks to talk to me about what you think and what you would like to see.

So, with that said, let's move onto the text for today. "Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil".

If we're honest, this is probably the heart of what most people think prayer is for - saying "help" when things go badly wrong. But it also begs the question why do things go wrong? Last week Peter gave some very powerful examples of the power but also the challenge of forgiveness, a vital but difficult imperative to live out.

But always the question behind that is, why are we in a world where forgiveness is even necessary? What are we seeking to be safe from? Why do terrible things happen in a world we believe to be beloved by God?



That is probably too big a question to pose and try to answer in this sermon in as much as you can ever adequately talk about it. I did think we could go into those questions around creation and fall, whether that be following Augustine in a creation-fall arc with evil being the negation of the good things of God, or Irenaeus ideas about the imperfection of creation as we have it and the chaos that reaps, but always with the hope of perfection and rebirth for which we are created, or something like Tillich's existentialist ideas that to be created is to fall from the primordial innocence we yearn once again for. We could then get into what is evil – something personified, something which is an absence of goodness, something created in the patterns of our history which binds our thoughts and practices.

I could go on but actually perhaps it is better just starting for now with instead of asking why, which is often never an easy of fully satisfactory thing, to assert the thing we have experienced and seen in many ways which is the existence of evil in world. The terrible and unwarranted things that happen that we see on the news, that we see and hear in our lives sometimes. We know there are often unspeakable things to be delivered from.

What do we do with that hard and simple truth. Well often try to avoid it in any way we can, in any number of ways.

Firstly perhaps there is the temptation to minimise it all, to say if anything happens, that it really isn't very much that goes on, it would all be fine if we were just a bit kinder to one another. That temptation to say there isn't really an issue or challenge from evil. It is often always coming from a place and time of privilege and stability, something which is often easily pierced by the cruel reality beyond. It is a place afforded to few in history. If we look at that reading we had from Joel this morning it sets out the realities of years of suffering in Israel, of plague and drought affecting all, whilst the borders are marauded by foreign armies. In that case judgment against evils and wrong is not nothing, or a simple call to be kind, but something which rightly attracts the wrath and condemnation of God, and the hope of something better. It is something that must be dealt with but can only perhaps truly be done by God at the end of time. Its certainly more than a bit of kindness.

That is perhaps one way to minimise things. Second is the sense that if there is such a thing as evil in this world then it certainly is nothing to do with us- it's somewhere else, we are good people doing good things, the problem isn't here. You can guess that doesn't cut the mustard really, the recent history of safeguarding in the church should disabuse us of this notion. Yet more so could that gospel reading today which we had, the temptation of Jesus faced

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in the wilderness, to turn from following God to prioritising his own needs and anxiety about his survival by turning stones into bread. The temptation for fame and accolades from others in the here and now by falling from the temple and being caught by the angels. The temptation to abandon faith in the goodness of God for the promise of power and glory and to look no further than our surroundings for our answers. Though we are unlikely to be in the wilderness any time soon, we face the same temptations as Jesus to abandon the sense of God at work in the chaos of this world, to focus only on our own needs, our own status, to look for our own power and influence, those impulses which actually lay at the root of much of what we fear in this world.

A third response is perhaps to be overwhelmed by it all, and feeling the despair that there no way out of the morass we find ourselves in. This part of the story Paul tells in acts – a man of violent passion and occasionally action in his defence of Judaism, which led him to consider that he was a man of blood, something that could never be changed or taken away. And yet God says to him, no matter what darkness there has been, it is never the last work on who we are. You may think you know your own story, its limits and its likely end, but that is not God, God sees more, of what could and should be and can rewrite that into something more glorious.

And that perhaps is the hope for all of this, that the evil we see in this world, the temptations we face in ourselves too, which we often cannot say no to, that despite the overwhelming amount of things going awry in this world – none of that defines things to the end. To understand evil is in some way to measure and compare it against something – a sense of goodness- in that way we can consider it parasitic, it exists only to be defined by the other, something greater than it.

To pray that we might to be put to the test as Jesus was in the wilderness and in Gethsemane, is the hope that we will be delivered from evil, that is a prayer that can only be made in the middle of things, from the depth of the world, that as we see all that goes on around us we might avoid temptation and be kept from the chaos around. That is not a naïve hope but one that is sustained and given hope to so many in truly awful situations over the years.

It is a prayer which is vital for us, vital for the world. It is perhaps the most rooted part of the Lords prayer, the bit that connects onto our world most clearly, in the text of the Lords prayer we think about who God is whom we pray to, what he gives us, the forgiveness we find from him and which we are

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called to offer to others, all of that is not a distant thing but rooted in the place and situations we find ourselves, and it is from that place which deliverance happens.

Hope of this passage is that nothing is beyond God, nothing is beyond redemption, not in ourselves in our desires and egocentric dreams, not in this world in its violence and strife, not those who seem to be crushed by the world as it rolls over them, that is the core of the hope we have, that we might not fall in to temptation of self interest, that we might not be overcome by despair. But have a sense in the nature of the God who is over and beyond all that. It doesn't deny all that happens in this world but it does mean it shouldn't have the last word.

That is why it is perhaps vital we keep this part of the prayer as ours and it gives hope to the places we find ourselves, that whatever happens we may not be led into temptation but delivered from evil.



Below is a message from Ed with an update of the amazing outreach work that St Paul's Harare have been doing with their funds. Thank you so much Ed for facilitating this relationship and for keeping us updated.

### Introduction,

As you likely know, Bromley Parish Church is partnered with St Paul's Church in Zimbabwe. Just as we pray for them, they pray for us. Whilst we in UK worry about 10% inflation, the situation is much worse in Zimbabwe. There, the annual consumer price inflation eased for the second straight month to **268.8%** in October of 2022, from **280.4%** in the prior month. Due to this poor economic situation, our church and its members make donations to St Paul's, primarily to help their amazing outreach programme.

### **Fund Raising**

Bromley Parish Church first raised funds for St Paul's in 2012 when we held a Zimbabwean evening; we ate a traditional Zimbabwean meal and were entertained by a team of ladies from the Zimbabwe Mother's Union who attended a church in Catford. More recently, we joined together to walk individually to accumulate the distance from our church to theirs. A small group also walked a pilgrimage from our church to Rochester.

St Paul's also fundraise. Their latest was on 30<sup>th</sup> October, when they held a Vintage Sunday.



## **Our sister Parish**

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It was launched two weeks before and on Sunday the congregants came in vintage dress and paid \$1 for entry and those without vintage dress paid \$2. It was a fun way of raising funds. After the service they had food sales and modelling.

#### Outreach

I have reported previously on the amazing work they do by providing food and medicine to both those in need in their congregation as well as their local community. I will never forget a few years back when we made a donation to their church and St Paul's Outreach immediately went to an even poorer church in the countryside to help them first, despite their own needs. The following words came to mind at the time.

"For "whatsoever you do to the least of your brothers and sisters, you do unto me," says the Lord Jesus. "Let us pray, reflect and as ourselves: Have I seen the Lord in my brothers and sisters? Did I give food to the hungry, drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, visit the sick and the prisoner?"

Their latest outreach has not been food but medical and this is how Reverend Chris reported the plans for the event on 29<sup>th</sup> October to me.

"Greetings everybody. Praying you are in good health. We just want to thank God for another opportunity to serve him and his people. At St Paul our tradition is that we do a yearly Outreach clinic whereby we source for Doctors and Nurses to come and do consultations for the Sick in the community. We also do health check-up, dental and we also invite pharmacists to come. We do provide some medication for some especially the elderly and the marginalized of the community. You continue to help us and for this event to happen this year, it is because of your help with resources. This exercise is open for all people of Highfield who are less privileged. So this year it is happening on Saturday 29 October. I would like to thank St Pauls Bromley for your love and support. You continue to help us and for this event to happen this year, it is because of your help with resources."

This is their report of the event from Noreen of the Outreach Team.

"There was a prayer session before the clinic started. There were 3 General Practitioners and 3 dentists. Some patients were referred for further help. Some nurses within the congregation offered their help. Dr Mazhude a GP

who has a surgery within the community volunteered to come with his team. The doctors were offered Sunday school classrooms and some Church offices as the treatment rooms. They were served lunch including the patients thanks to Tracy patron of outreach and the outreach team for the food that they pledged. About 100 people were helped and this included not only congregants but also the needy in the community. Some patients had not seen a doctor ever before because they could not afford it."



Queue outside the church. Doctors are in blue and their shirts are labelled 'Say Ahh'

A quote from the Outreach Team Leader. "We thank Canon Chris, outreach team and St Paul's Highfield. We thank you Ed and St Paul's Bromley for the unwavering support. God bless you all."

If you would like to donate to St Paul's Highfield, please contact me. I will be able to give you the appropriate contact and forms to complete for the Rochester Diocese, which will enable 25% Gift Aid to be added to your donation. If you do it now, it will be sure to arrive in time for Christmas.

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## 20<sup>th</sup> November The excitement of the Sunday of Christ the King

The last Sunday in November is the last Sunday of the church year, and in some ways the most important. Why? Because everything else in the Christian year looks BACK on what happened 2000 years ago. The Sunday of Christ the King looks FORWARD to what we can expect next.... the return one day of Jesus Christ to this earth, as King of Kings.

Does the idea of Jesus of Nazareth literally returning to earth seem a bit quaint to accept, in our computerised world of e-mails and the internet? Well, that is what the Bible says will happen – it is promised more than 250 times!

The Bible is quite clear: the return of the Lord Jesus Christ as King of Kings will take place personally, powerfully, bodily, visibly, publicly – and INSTANT-LY. (Read Matthew 24:30,31, or I Thessalonians 4:13 – 5:3.) Here are words of Jesus Himself:

For the Son of Man in his day will be like the lightning, which flashes and lights up the sky from one end to the other. (Luke 17:24)

This will be no local story for a BBC TV reporter to cover if he gets time. That day he won't be interviewing the Carpenter of Nazareth, wearing Galilean homespun. Jesus will be in His incandescent brilliance as the 'Son of Man' – a bit of a challenge even for TV reporters! Certainly when Peter, James and John were witness to their familiar Master 'transfigured', as the same irradiated Person – in a dramatic preview of Christ's triumphant final rule (Luke 9:28-36), they did not feel very confident.

The martyred Stephen, about to die, had a similar glimpse: "Behold I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God' (Acts 7:56). The exiled apostle John on the island of Patmos saw the same figure: '...His face was like the sun shining in full strength' (Revelation 1:16.)

When Christ one day returns, the whole world will finally witness this same spectacle (Revelation 1:7). His return will mark the end of history, as we know it. It will inaugurate the final Judgment. It will re-unite the Lord with His Church on earth.

Jesus' return to us will bring about the new heaven and the new earth. Pain, death, persecution, privation and sorrow will all be banished. The entire edifice of evil that has raised itself against the rule of God will be dismantled in a moment.

We have been warned all along not to place a date or a time upon the Second Coming of Christ. (Matthew 24:42-44) Sadly, many people ignore this warning and waste endless time in calculations.



## Saint's Day

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The way in which we should be spending our days before the end is to work, watch and witness to our Lord Jesus – whether or not ours is a world of computers, e-mail and all the rest!

In the meantime, where is Jesus now? The Bible writers tells us that Jesus has returned to the place of privilege and power, and is 'seated at the right hand' of the Father (Ephesians 1:20-21; Colossians 3:1; Hebrews 1:3), and is waiting for the Father's timing for Him to return to earth in glory (Mark 13:26-27,32), to raise the dead (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18), and give them their resurrection bodies (1 Corinthians 15:35-44).

Jesus will never be a baby again. He is now Christ the King – today, tomorrow, forever.



Please use this space to pass messages on to the Church community – whether it is a prayer request, a thank you, a craft idea, a recipe...

Ripley Recitals Association

## Ripley Recitals

55th Season Autumn Series 2022

## Friday 18 November at 7.30pm

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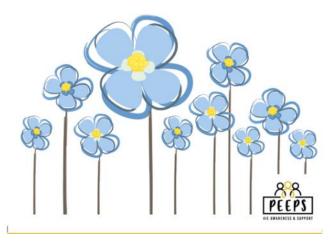
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# Sulley's Fund



Thank you to everyone who supported the cake sale for Sulley's Fund on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> of October.

The wonderful amount of £225.00 has been raised to support bereaved families following the loss of a child from an HIE event (this happens when there is a loss of oxygen or blood flow to the brain during birth).

Sulley's family, the little boy the fund is named after, are very touched by your generosity and kind support.

Thank you!

## **Noticeboard**

Christmas Tree Festival 2022

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> ~ Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December

Trees are needed to decorate the church.

Help is needed to prepare for the festival.

Let us know if you would like to be part of this amazing event or put the date in the diary to come and enjoy.





## Have Fun at our

# Fundraising Games Evening

in Aid of Bromley Homeless Starter Packs

Saturday November 19th 7.00 for 7.30pm

St Peter & St Paul, Bromley Parish Church Clubroom, Church Road, Bromley, BR2 0EG



Indoor horse racing Mini catapulting



Bean bag pot shot



Please bring your own food and drinks

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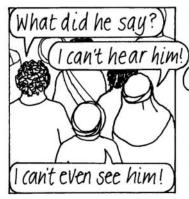
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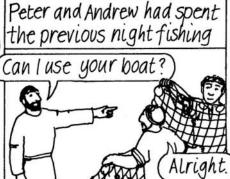
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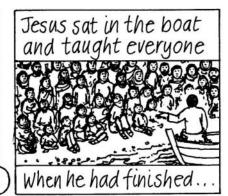
It can be read in the Bible in Lk5:1-11, Mt.4:18-22, MK 1:16-20

On the shore of Lake Galilee, Jesus was trying to teach people but there were so many that he couldn't be heard.



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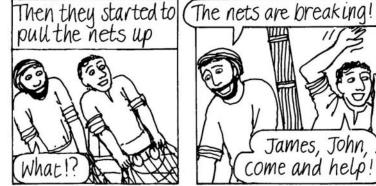










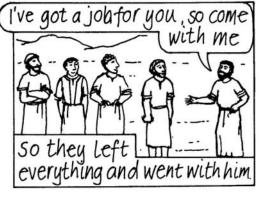












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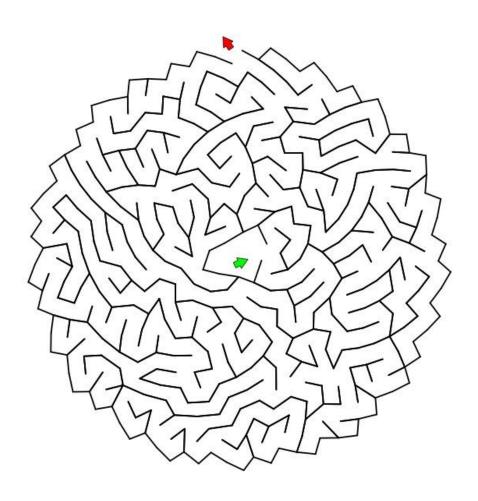
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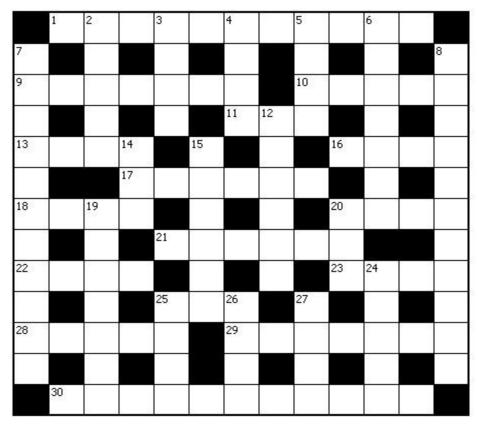
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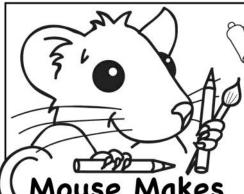
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- 29 For example, to Titus, Timothy or Philemon (7)
- 30 Week beginning with Pentecost Sunday, according to the Church's calendar (11)

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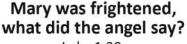
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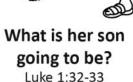
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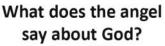
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What was Mary to name her child?

Luke 1:31







Luke 1:37 (LEARN this verse)

Mary praises God, what does she say God has done? Luke 1:46-55

What happened to Elizabeth when Mary went to visit her? Luke 1:41





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## **Prayers and poems**

You asked for my hands that you might use them for your purpose. I gave them for a moment, then withdrew them for the work was hard.

You asked for my mouth to speak out against injustice. I gave you a whisper that I might not be accused.

You asked for my eyes to see the pain of poverty.
I closed them for I did not want to see.

You asked for my life that you might work through me. I gave a small part that I might not get too involved.

Lord forgive my calculated efforts to serve you only when it is convenient for me to do so, only in those places where it is safe to do so, and only with those who make it easy to do so.

Father, forgive me, renew me, send me out as a usable instrument that I might take seriously the meaning of your cross. Amen.

Joe Seremane



## **Prayers and poems**

#### **Autumn**

He arrives in a coat of many colours, Flame, gold, russet and brown, Autumn appears with dancing feet Crunching on leaves the wind has blown down.

Rustling and bustling, friend with the wind, Whistling and blowing and whooshing around, Creating a carpet of multiple colours, Teasing the leaves as they fall to the ground.

Mellowing fruits and ripening corn, Autumn's bounty for us to share, Our God of provision, providing, sustaining Whatever the season, His presence is near.

By Megan Carter

# You are my Memorial – my Legacy (Some thoughts on remembering)

Remember me – As the poppies fall on the shoulders, heads, and at the feet Of young and old All gathered for the Festival.

Remember me – In the music played, In the clapping of the audience keeping time And uniforms so proudly worn.

Remember me – In the stories told, Most from the distant past, but others new, Each one rehearsing memories stored

Remember me -And if a tear should chance to flow Then let it flow for the world in pain, And dedicate yourself to peace

Remember me And let the sun, moon, stars, shine bright
To bring my love to you like the light
That shines in the darkness all around.

By Sam Doubtfire

#### We Remember

The Somme, Dunkirk and Passchendaele Cause us to think of times of war, When men and boys went bravely out They fought, some died and returned no more.

They gave their all that we should live, We never should forget such cost, Remembering with thankful hearts Our freedom gained as lives were lost.

Another Man gave up His life, Another war, another fight, With all mankind held fast in chains As darkness fell as black as night.

The cost was high, a sinless life To break the chains and set us free, The Lamb of God on Calvary's cross Paid that price for you, for me.

By Megan Carter

## A prayer of remembering and looking forward

Loving Father,

Here we are in November, the month of short days and mist and remembering.

And this year we have so much to remember. The year our Servant Queen left us and came to be with you, the King of Kings she had served so faithfully.

Remembering celebration and sadness Lord, as we thank you for Queen Elizabeth, but looking forward too as we prepare for Advent.

As we work towards Christmas, yes, we remember your coming as a baby in Jesus, but even more reassuring in these difficult times we can hold on to your promise that You will come back again as our glorious King, when there will be no more death or mourning, crying or pain - when You will make all things new, when all shall be well!

Come Lord Jesus!

Amen.

By Daphne Kitching



## **Prayers and poems**

Nigel Beeton writes: 'On the 20<sup>th</sup> November will come the tenth anniversary of the last ever typewriter in the United Kingdom, which reminded me of the sound of my Grandad hammering out his letters on an old Imperial...'

### **Grandad's Typewriter**

My Grandad had a typewriter
Imperial, I think
Used to command his empire
With black typewriter ink.
He wrote his lengthy letters
On subjects to him dear
Then sealed them, stamped them, sent them
To places far and near.

He was quite heavy fingered Those keys he'd really pound The house's very timbers Vibrated with the sound; It went on for long hours And we'd hear everything And at the end of ev'ry line A little bell would ring!

He sent them to the mission field And to our poor MP
He sent them off to strangers
And to his family;
So then he'd watch the postman
And how his wrath would burn
If his poor correspondents
Replied not by return!

I never thought I'd miss it
But, looking back, I do;
A sound, like many others,
That wove my childhood through.
What sounds today, I wonder
That do not bring us bliss,
Will soon be just a memory
That we might really miss?

By Nigel Beeton





Please hold the following in your prayers this month.

- 1. Give thanks for a successful half- term where young people were kept busy with fun and games and making craft products for a Christmas Fair.
- 2. Please pray for our Open Mic night happening in December as young people plan to perform in front of their friends. Pray for staff and tutors as they work with young people on this project.
- 3. We are selling items at a Christmas fair at Hayes free church on Sat 12<sup>th</sup> November.

We will have a stall that will sell items made by young people. Please pray that this will be a good opportunity to raise funds and promote our activities.

- 4. Please give thanks for a successful staff and trustees away day. Pray for us as we now assimilate all that information to form a strategic plan to shape our way forward as a charity.
- 5. We are still looking to recruit for a fundraiser, please pray that we find someone who is suitable and can join us soon.

### **Tuesday 1**

11.00am Toddler Praise

### Wednesday 2

12noon Midweek service 12.30pm -2.00pm Church open forprivate Prayer

## **Thursday 3**

2.00pm Funeral Peter Walker

6.30pm Choir practice

### **Saturday**

10.00am Starter Pack donation day

# Sunday 6 Giving Sunday

10.30am Parish Communion, presentation by Liz Mullins, Diocese Giving Officer
6.30pm Bromley Youth Net, St.
John's, Bromley

## Monday 7

12.45pm Funeral Rhoda Mackenzie

## **Tuesday 8**

8.30am Schools' Festival meeting11.00am Toddler Praise7.30pm Bell ringing practice

## Wednesday 9

12noon Midweek service 12.30pm -2pm Church open for private prayer 8.00pm PCC meeting

## Thursday 10

2.15pm Fellowship7.30pm Choir Practice

## Friday 11

7.00pm Quarter peal

## Sunday 13 Remembrance

8.30am Said Communion9.00am Breakfast Church10.45am Civic service of Remembrance

6.30pm Choral Evensong

## **Tuesday 15**

11.00am Toddler Praise3.00pm Burial of Ashes7.30pm Bell ringing practice

## Wednesday 16

11.30am Welcare in Bromley annual service

12.30pm-2.00pm Church open for private prayer

8.00pm PCC meeting

## **Thursday 17**

2.15pm Fellowship 7.30 Choir practice

## Sunday 20 Christ the King

10.30am All-age Worship withCommunion6.30pm Bromley Youth Net, St.

John's Bromley

## **Tuesday 22**

11.00am Toddler Praise
7.30pm Bell ringing practice

## Wednesday 23

12noon Midweek service 12.30pm-2.00pm private prayer

## **Thursday 24**

2.15pm Fellowship 7.30pm Choir practice



## Sunday 27 Advent Sunday

9.00am Breakfast Church

10.30am Parish Eucharist

3.00pm Creative Funtime

6.30pm Advent Carols

## **Tuesday 29**

11.00am Toddler Praise

7.30pm Bell ringing practice

### Wednesday 30

12noon Midweek service

12.30pm - 2pm Church open for private prayer

**Morning Prayer** is said daily at 8.00am in the Children's Chapel, everyone is welcome.

The Children's Chapel is open daily for prayer and Church is open for private prayer on Wednesdays between 12noon and 2pm, consecrated bread is available for those who wish to receive.

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