

Sunday 3rd November
2024
**All Saints
Day**

Holy Trinity Cuckfield

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our worship!*



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Reflection – The Rev'd David Tickner

When I was a young clergyman in the 1960s All Saints Day (1 November) and All Souls Day (2 November) felt very different. On All Saints Day we celebrated all the Saints who had taken up their place in Heaven. It was a very jolly occasion with processions, the best robes, incense, triumphant hymns and a general feeling that we were involved in a party. Often the service finished with a party! The following day we remembered the Departed with Requiem Masses with an atmosphere of solemnity and sorrow. Over the years it feels as though there has been a blending of All Saints and All Souls. Back in the 1960s many people had jobs that were mundane to say the least, but the Church could affirm their memory with the dignity they had from their Creator. Now it is much more likely that when we remember the departed, we will do so with thanksgiving for their life. Personally, I am more than happy to rejoice for the inspiration that has come to us from the special Holy Ones (Saints) but also to rejoice for the love and inspiration of people I have known who have taken a humbler route to Glory. Long live the 'blend'.

Worship this Sunday...

Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Sunday 3rd November - All Saints' Day.

Isaiah 25.6-9; Revelation 21.1-6a;
John 11.32-44

8.00 am	Holy Communion (CW)	Reader	Anthony Vander Willigen
9.45 am	Parish Eucharist*		
Pr Hymn	296 For all the saints (omit vv.6 & 7) (SINE NOMINE)	Readers 1	Robyn Brotherton
Setting	Rizza	Readers 2	Mark Parker
Gr Hymn	823 Who would true valour see (MONK'S GATE)	Intercessions	James Sanders
Of Hymn	826 Ye Holy Angels Bright (DARWALL)		
Communion	In Paradisum (Fauré)		
Cm Hymn	299 Give us the wings of faith to rise (SONG 67)		
	602 Blest Are the Pure in Heart (FRANCONIA)		
Fn Hymn	310 Thanks be to God (LOBE DEN HERREN)		
11.15 am	Family Worship		
6.00 pm	Commemoration of the Faithful Departed with Fauré Requiem (followed by refreshments)		

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First Reading

Isaiah 25.6-9

On this mountain the Lord will make a feast of rich food; the Lord we have waited for will save us

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Second Reading

Revelation 21.1-6a

The new heaven and the new earth, where every tear is wiped away

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

Gospel

John 11.32-44

The raising of Lazarus

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?' Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

This Week....

05/11 Tues	6.30 pm	Space for Grace	
06/11 Wed	10.30 am	Holy Communion* followed by coffee and cake	Philippians 2.12-18, Luke 14.25-33
07/11 Thu	9.00 am	Iona /Celtic Communion	Philippians 3.3-8a, Luke 15.1-10
	11.30 am	Funeral T/L Mrs Julia Graham	
	7.00 pm	Home Group	Online
	7.30 pm	Home Group (in person)	
08/11 Fri	11.00 am	BCP Communion	Philippians 3.17-4.1, Luke 16.1-8
	1.00 pm	Lunchtime Concert	
	7.30 pm	Choir Practice	
09/11 Sat	9.30 am	Local Farmers Market	

Next Sunday...**Sunday 10th November – Remembrance Day**

9.00 am	Said Holy Communion with hymns (CW)		Jonah 3: 1-5,10 Hebrews.9: 24-end Gospel Mark 1: 14-20
Pr Hymn	729 My God how wonderful thou are (WESTMINSTER)	Reader	Anthony Vander Willigen
Setting	Said	Intercessions	Clergy
Gr Hymn	805 There is a redeemer (GREEN)		

Of Hymn 451 Just as I am (SAFFRON WALDEN)
 Anthem None
 Cm Hymn 587 Amazing Grace (NEW BRITAIN)
 Fn Hymn 475 Forth in the peace of Christ I go (DUKE STREET)

10.45 am	Remembrance Sunday Service (War Memorial) and Church Parade	Readers	Sue Mayou, Eddie Moss, Army Cadet
		Intercessions	Clergy
6.00 pm	For the Fallen; Music, Readings and Prayers for Remembrance	Readers	Pat Montague, Roger Floyd, Jane Coan, Wendy Bloomer, Carolyn Ponder, David Spear

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Notices and Parish News...

Thank you for your engagement with stewardship week, and thank you in particular to those people who have reviewed their commitments and giving.

Remembrance Sunday, 10th November 2024, No 8.00 am service. There will be a 9.00 am service of Holy Communion (said with hymns). At 10.45 am there will be a special service with two-minute silence at 11.00am (War Memorial, Cuckfield Churchyard) this will be followed at 11.15 am by a Church Parade (in church) with refreshments following in the hall. At 6.00 pm there will be **“For the fallen”** An Evening of Music, Poetry, Readings and Reflection for Remembrance Day led by our choir. Again, followed by refreshments.

Help Us Build Our Social Media Presence! - We're working hard to enhance our social media, and we need your support. If you're on Facebook, visit the Holy Trinity Cuckfield page. You'll find church services and events— please don't just like them, share them! This helps spread the word about our church. You can also RSVP to events and invite others. If you have any content, like photos or updates, send them to claire@juniperbloom.co.uk (Claire is assisting Fr Daniel with Social Media Marketing). Or, consider becoming a Facebook administrator yourself to help us further. You could also follow Fr. Daniel on Twitter: @CuckfieldCleric!

Home Groups - a great way to explore and to grow your faith as well as getting to know people better in a small group. There are currently two home groups meeting - one online and one meeting in person in Cuckfield.

If you would like to know more, perhaps with a view to joining, contact Jonathan re the on-line group (hirsuteshepherd1@yahoo.com) or Caroline regarding the other (c.currer@btinternet.com). This autumn, both groups are following the 'Being With' course, written by Sam Wells of St Martin in the Fields, but there will be a new course after Christmas, when new members will be very welcome.

Lunchtime Concert – On 8th November at 1:00pm a concert entitled **‘The English Journey’** will be presented by our own Charles Humphries (countertenor), accompanied by Caroline Tyler (piano), and will feature music by Britten, Butterworth, Handel and Purcell.

Cuckfield Local Market - Holy Trinity Cuckfield monthly makers and food market takes place on **9th November** from 9.30-12.30 providing locally sourced, sustainable goods. Support local artisans and embrace environmental stewardship with us. The church will be serving tea, coffee and soft drinks, please let Jane know if you can assist.

On **Tuesday 12th November 2024** the Deanery Synod will take place at Holy Trinity. This is an open meeting, and the speaker will be the Rev'd Buff Forbes Stone the Diocesan Environment Officer who will be speaking about “Eco Church Initiatives”. Please do come along.

Sunday's Cool- 17th November. If you can help at any of those sessions, or our child wants to come along, please let Hilary know by emailing inspirefm@holyltrinitycuckfield.org. We really want to demonstrate how committed we are to children and young families in this parish.

Cuckfield & Bolney Men's Group Meeting, 19th November 2024. Skittles and Pizza at the Bull in Henfield. Please RSVP and let Clivesimmonds@btinternet.com know which events you'll attend.

Christmas Tree Festival 2024 - The Rock Choir will once again return to play a concert at the Christmas Tree Festival on Saturday 7th December at 7:45. Tickets are limited and will go on sale via TicketSource tomorrow (1st November). They are priced at £8-50 and there is NO booking fee to pay.

Christmas table decoration demonstration Wednesday 11th Dec 12 -1pm in church Come and learn how to make 3 beautiful decorations for your Christmas table with Belinda Campopiano of Chez Fleur. Once inspired, you will have the opportunity to order the necessary materials for your own Christmas table decoration. Please book through ChurchSuite calendar

Advance notice of our Christmas plans: Sunday, 1st December, 6.00 pm, Candlelit Advent Carol Service; Wednesdays, 4th, 11th (at Bolney) & 18th December, 9.00 pm, Sung Compline for Advent; Sunday, 8th December, 9.45 am, Worship for All-Toy Service; Sunday, 8th December, 6.00 pm, Community Christmas Tree Carols; Sunday, 22nd December, 6.00 pm, Candlelit Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols; Christmas Eve, 24th December Crib Service at 2.30 pm & 4.00 pm (Tickets available from the Church Website); Christmas Eve, 24th December, 11.15 pm Midnight Mass; Christmas Day, 25th December, 9.45 am Worship for All-Christmas Eucharist; Monday, 6th January 2025, 7.00 pm Epiphany Choral Eucharist (followed by Dinner). **O Come Let Us Adore Him!**

Prayers...

Those in immediate need.

Becky Parker, James Watson, Mark Herring, Ralph Colbran

Those in long term need.

Georgia, Ann Went, Julie Sadler, Wendy Hibling, Eileen Knight, Jim Knight, Liz Graydon, Peter Graydon, Eileen MacDougall, George Snashall, Karen Leese, and Yvonne Godsmark

Those in care homes.

Mary Watts, Ruth Baker, Rosemary Pardey, Janet Card, Keith Card, Tina Owens

The recently departed and those who mourn.

Pam Sagar, Julia Graham

Those whose year's mind falls at this time. 3rd Cecil Rhodes 1996, Florence Burleigh 1996, Albert Voller 2001, Catherine Angelique Harris 2022, Paul Simpson, 2023, 4th Gillian Fabb, Margaret Rhodes 1996, Reg Charles 1998, Ethel Radcliffe 2001, 5th June Wilde 2018, Sheila Mary Mitchell 2021, Shirley Smith 2023, 6th Heather Grant 1993, Sheila Mary O'Donoghue 2008, Marilyn Ruth Archbold 2020, 7th Elizabeth Vass 1993, 8th Esther Barnes 1996, John Beveridge 2001, 9th Charles Binns 2001, Lady Pamela Herbecq 2009, Helen Manson Davidson 2013.

Praying through the week...

Mon Nov 4th – We look to World Tsunami Awareness Day (5th) and pray for those 14 countries affected in the major global disaster of the Tsunami of 2004 and other countries prone to tsunamis. We pray that lessons have been learnt with evacuation routes updated, new warning systems installed and greater awareness raised among children and youth. We pray locally for the people of Hatchgate Lane, that they may have a sense of the wonder and diversity of God's creation.

Tue Nov 5th – We pray for all participating in firework gatherings, for safety, fun, wonder and community. We pray for the emergency services on hand at these times when accidents inevitably occur. We pray for all who are fearful because of the sounds, the smell of burning, the careless or vindictive actions of some. We pray too for our pets and the wildlife also scared on these occasions. Locally we pray for the people of Hatchlands, that they find the welcome and support of a caring neighbourhood.

Wed Nov 6th – International Day for Prevention of the Exploitation of the Environment during armed conflict and war. Though humanity has always counted its war casualties in terms of dead and wounded soldiers and civilians, destroyed cities and livelihoods, the environment has often remained the unpublicized victim of war. Water wells have been polluted, crops torched, forests cut down, soils poisoned, and animals killed to gain military advantage. We pray for all living with such a legacy and pray for the prevention of such exploitation and environmental destruction. Locally we pray for the people of High street, that they may sense God's presence with them, whatever they are facing.

Thu Nov 7th – We pray for all who work in our legal and justice system, and for fair access to legal aid. We pray for a lessening of the time it takes for cases to come to court – for the sake of victims, defendants and Justice. We pray for all who work in our courts, and for all imprisoned unjustly. Locally we remember the people of Hillside Walk and pray for their safety, health and well-being.

Fri Nov 8th – We remember all those who have been the victims of violence and pray that we learn to build a society which respects non-violence; we pray that we learn to resolve differences in ways that acknowledge the essential dignity and humanity of all. Locally we pray for Holy Trinity School, giving thanks for the ways in which they enrich the lives of the local community.

Sat Nov 9th – We look towards World Science Day for Peace and Development (10th) and give thanks for the ways in which collaboration between people of different countries can promote peace and can enable development to combat global problems. We pray for those scientists, researchers, governments and NGOs working for the benefit of our planet and all its inhabitants. Locally, we pray for the homeless, that they may have peace and joy in their hearts.

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