

Sunday 30th August – 12th Sunday after Trinity

Pastoral letter from the Vicar,

Holy Communion services are now being held on each Sunday at 2pm. There is no Wednesday service on the 2nd and 9th as Kath is away Monday to Friday those two weeks

As places are limited so please book in by ringing 345 3231 before 4pm Tuesday evening for the Wed service and before 4pm Sat for the Sunday service with your name and phone number. We will only ring back if there is a problem. Please do not worry if you book but subsequently can't make it!

- Please do not come if you have any symptoms or have been in contact with anyone who has symptoms.
- Please sanitise your hands as you enter and observe social distancing of two metres at all times.
- It is a legal requirement to wear a face covering so please only remove it to take Communion.
- You will be shown to your seat and I will bring Communion in one kind to you.

God bless you in your membership of this church whether you continue to join our online worship or come in person. Kath

Morning Service 10am Live stream on church facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/AllSaintsWithStFrideswydeThorntonAndCrosby>

Hymns

- MP41 At the name of Jesus
MP1 A new commandment
MP132 Father hear the prayer we offer
MP1261 Brother, sister let me serve you

Collect

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reading : Romans 12.9-21

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.

On the contrary:

"If your enemy is hungry, feed him;
if he is thirsty, give him something to drink.
In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reading : Matthew 16.21-28

From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.

Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. "Never, Lord!" he said. "This shall never happen to you!"

Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns."

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? For the Son of Man is going to come in

his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done.

"Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Points to Ponder

- When can we recall having to struggle to "bless those who persecute you"?
- Can we identify the cross we have to carry?
- How do we help others to carry their cross?

More news



↪ **Congratulations – it's a boy!** We celebrate with Kath on the birth of her first grandchild Sam, taken here at 2 days old. We pray for this new family, for Sam's parents Vicky and Mike.

↪ **Our community hub** – is open each Monday and Friday 9.30 am to 11.30 am. We have waitress service showing you to your table and providing your refreshments. This is all

designed to keep you safe as part of our COVID risk assessment. If you come please bring a card for payment or the correct money no change can be given.

↪ **We are starting to think about a possible MacMillan Coffee Morning and Church Fayre this autumn.** It may not be possible but it would help to know if we would have any volunteers to help run such events as we would need additional people to ensure it was COVID safe. If you would like to help please let Diane or Kath know.

↪ **Virtual Coffee Morning** by Zoom each Sunday 11am -details from Kath

↪ **Online Bookstall:** <https://stlukecrosby.org.uk/bookstall/> where you will find the current recommendations, order form and short video. The book "We need to talk about Race is excellent and highly recommended.

↪ **Take part in our Summer Reading Challenge** The 2020 Diocesan Summer Reading Challenge will call us to read the Psalms, Sign up online here <https://www.ruleoflife.org.uk/courses/psalms-summer-reading-challenge/>

Help for you

- ↪ The Church of England has a **free dial-in worship service** which offers music, prayers and reflections on a free telephone line 0800 804 8044.
- **Advice Centre** all enquiries should be directed to Citizen's Advice Sefton on 0344 493 0012 www.citizensadvice.org.uk. Debt Advice 0151 318 6407 and help to claim Universal Credit 0800 144 8444

Foodbank

Any food items should be taken directly to Crosby Sainsbury's store. The Foodbank have asked us to think about financial giving <https://southsefton.foodbank.org.uk/> and click on the donate button. or cheques can be made payable to "St. Leonard's Youth and Community Centre" and posted to 60 Peel Road, Bootle, L20 4RW.


We continue to pray for

Dave Rogers	Mark Isherwood	Eric Anderson
Mark Wilson	Marian Palin	Phyllis Bell
Barbara Maddock	Billy Harding	Frank Kelly
Ted Meighen	Ken Rimmer	Dave Bruford
Don Wylie	Callum Walker	Ken Lawson

Prayers for bereaved families of Denise Jones, Kath's Aunty Irene and Janet Brown's Uncle Dave

Prayer for World Mission – Pray for the Disasters Emergency Committee Appeal to raise much needed funds for places and people most affected by the corona virus pandemic. Pray for essential provisions of clean water, soap and clear information for keeping safe to reach all those who need them in the most vulnerable areas of the world, Amen

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