St Edmund Warkton News Sheet

2 August 2020

Service today - at 11.00am in the Churchyard.

- Please consider your own health before attending.
- If driving please park respectfully: in the village car park and, if there are spaces, Peter McCormick's (6 vehicles) or the back section of the loop lane.
- Please bring your own seating: follow social distancing (the cones on the footpath should help).
- Please bring your own refreshment.
- You may be told where to sit.
- You will be asked each week to provide your name and contact number. which will be retained.

Revd Mark Lucas will lead; he will provide a service sheet which should be taken away.

The church building will be shut. Please leave as soon as possible after the service.

No hard copy of this News Sheet will be available. A large copy will be posted in the Notice Board for passers by to read, as has happened since lockdown.

Services in the Churchyard - on 9, 16 and 23 August, weather permitting. Services inside the building - may commence from 30 August.

Collect for the Eighth Sunday after Trinity. Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Prayer requests

Pray for the residents of Warkton parish.

Pray for the Churches of Kettering; for the ways that each Church makes the right decisions for life 'after lockdown': for decisions on activities before lockdown that may never take place again; for activities started during lockdown that will continue; for new activities which will start in the light of all that has happened.over the past few months.

Pray for the people who read this News Sheet as they walk past the notice board outside St Edmund: that a phrase, a picture or an article will bring them God thoughts.

Continue to pray for Rosalinde, John and their family.

Remember the Cerón family and their church in Chile.

Pray for those in the Church who serve us, especially the clergy: Robert, Andy, Wallace, Mark and Charles.

Pray for those young people (3 in our congregation) who will move from Junior school to Secondary school in September.

Pray for those young people (2 in our congregation) who will move from Infant school to Junior school in September.

Pray for all the parents of the young people and for the young people themselves during this 'Summer' holiday.

If you wish to contact - a member of the fellowship please use the contact booklet or phone the Rector 0778 810 0757.

Tonight - at 6.30pm an evening service will take place in St Botolph's Church. Numbers will be limited, of course, by social distancing rules.

There is also an intention to maintain services on the internet, Morning Prayer and Sunday Service, for as long as needed.

Mark has written an article with more detail at https://stbotsblog.wordpress.com Please have a look.



Christians know that God loves them, but can easily feel that he is perpetually disappointed and frustrated, maybe even close to giving up on them. As a result, they focus a lot - and rightly so - on what Jesus has done to appease God's wrath for sin. But how does Jesus Christ actually feel about his people amid all their sins and failures? This book draws us to Matthew 11, where Jesus describes himself as 'gentle and lowly in heart,' longing for his people to find rest in him. https://www.10ofthose.com/uk/



Kids love to dream about what they might do when they grow up: jobs they might have, places they might go, people they might meet. Parents and caregivers love to encourage and support them. But for Christian parents, their greatest aspiration for their children, their dream of all dreams, is that whatever their kids do and wherever they go, they will love and follow Jesus. *https://www.thegoodbook.co.uk/*



FOCUS ON JESUS: A GUIDE TO THE MESSAGE OF HANDEL'S 'MESSIAH' by Robert Bashford published by The Latimer Trust This book provides a commentary on the message of 'Messiah.'

Handel's great oratorio gives a marvellous portrayal of the Person and Work of Jesus Christ:

the anticipation of his coming, his birth, his ministry, his sufferings and death, his resurrection and his ascension - plus also the proclamation of the Gospel to the world, and Christian assurance of resurrection life beyond death.

The main focus of this study is the selection of Bible verses that make up the work. At the same time there is also a certain amount of comment on the music.

The aim of the book is that readers may deepen their understanding of the Bible passages included in the work and enjoy Handel's 'Messiah' all the more - and as a result know Christ better.

Discounted copies of the book can be ordered for £5 each. Details available from the Church Office - 01536 414052 <u>Orders by Thursday 6 August please.</u>

For a blog presentation of the book, see: https://www.latimertrust.org/post/bible-music

Thoughts - from Psalm 5 (from The Keswick Convention) David takes his anxiety to God. He prays to remind himself of God's truths. Note how he prays and what he prays He does not fall into three possible traps - no delusion, his enemy has not chosen God but controls everything himself, which means that the enemy will chase control all his life and never get anywhere! David does not get angry, want revenge or get jealous. God wins in the end. Do you like to control, take revenge? Do you know God?