



Austrey, Newton Regis, Seckington,
Shuttington & Warton
Parish of All Souls, North Warwickshire

Church News

September 2020

Sunday 6th September – 13th Sunday after Trinity (Romans 13:8-14 Matthew 18:15-20)

8.30am Holy Communion, Newton Regis (Revd. Canon Louise Shaw)
10.30am **SOUL CAFÉ** **ONLINE**

Sunday 14th September - 14th Sunday after Trinity (Genesis 50:15-21 Romans 14:1-12 Matthew 18:21-35)

10.30am Morning Prayer with Holy Communion, Warton (Revd. Canon Louise Shaw)
6.00pm Evening Prayer, Shuttington

Sunday 20th September – 15th Sunday after Trinity (Philippians 1:21-30 Matthew 20:1-16)

10.30am Morning Worship **ONLINE**
6.00pm Holy Communion, Austrey (Revd. Michael MacLachlan)

Sunday 27th September – 16th Sunday after Trinity (Philippians 2:1-13 Matthew 21:23-32)

10.30am Family Worship **ONLINE**
6.00pm Evening Prayer, Seckington

During the month of September, we are planning to continue to offer a combination of live and online services, subject to government and Diocesan guidelines. Links for the online services will be posted on the All Souls website and the Soul Café Facebook page as well as via the Prayer Circle and Bible Club. We hope there will be something for everyone!

Church Website - for latest news: <http://www.allsoulsnorthwarwickshire.co.uk>

PRAYERS

Prayers for the World: We pray for our world, as further outbreaks of COVID-19 continue to be identified, praying also for a concerted global response to combat and control the disease. We pray for those treating the sick, comforting the dying and those working relentlessly to find ways of combatting the virus, by seeking effective treatments or a reliable vaccine. We ask for your blessing on all those agencies, including Christian Aid, Mission Aviation Fellowship and Crosslinks, bringing aid to those caught up in the pandemic in the name and love of Jesus.

Prayers for the Nation: We pray for Elizabeth our Queen and all in authority under her, that our government will act with wisdom and integrity as it balances the easing of lockdown with the recovery of the economy. We pray for a safe return to school for all involved in education – pupils, teachers and ancillary workers. We pray for reassurance and support for those facing financial hardship and loss of employment in the current crisis. We pray for people to show understanding and act responsibly as opportunities to resume activities increase.

Prayers for the Church: We pray for the Church and its leaders as it continues to adapt to new ways of worshipping and relaying the message of the gospel. We give thanks for the opportunity to conduct public worship while continuing to reach out to our church family via online services. We continue to pray also for the welfare of our Mission Partners, including our Crosslinks Study Partners present and past, Patrick Cyprian and Irene Apio.

Prayers for our Community: We pray for all those who reside in our parish, that you would surround them with your love and protection. We pray especially for our 3 village schools as a new term gets under way, that all will go smoothly and safely.

Prayers for the sick: Merciful and loving Father, we ask for your healing touch to be on all those who are ill or in pain at this time, especially those of our church family and others known to us, that they might have a sense of your loving presence.

Prayers for the bereaved: We pray for all who mourn the loss of loved ones at this time. Draw close to all who carry the heavy burden of grief and comfort them in their sorrow.

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.” (Proverbs 3:5)

Tithe for September

Crosslinks

We continue to support our Study Partner, Patrick Cyprian. A tenth of all our offerings is given as a tithe. If you wish to supplement this, please place your gift, clearly marked in the offertory box or contact the Treasurer Trish Richardson – Tel: 01827 66282 or email trishrich18@gmail.com

Future Dates

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| Thursday 3 September | 1.30 pm – Interment of Ashes at Warton (Paul Groves) |
| Monday 7 September | 12.30 pm – Interment of Ashes at Austrey (Vivienne Davies) |
| Monday 7 September | 7.30 pm – Churchwardens' Meeting |
| Monday 14 September | 7.30 pm – All Souls PCC Meeting |
| Monday 19 October | 7.30 pm – Annual Parochial Church Meeting (<i>more details next month</i>) |

For up to date information on services please consult the parish website:

www.allsoulsnorthwarwickshire.co.uk or your local church noticeboard. Enquiries regarding baptisms, weddings and funerals should be made to the PCC Secretary Alison Meredith – Tel: 01827 892796 or email meredithalison2@gmail.com

HARVEST CELEBRATIONS

Unfortunately there can be no traditional Harvest Festival this year but at least one of our services in the coming weeks will have a harvest theme. However, as in previous years, donations of non-perishable food items for Birmingham City Mission and Tamworth Food Bank will be extremely welcome and can be delivered to the churchwardens or brought to any church service in September.

CHURCH FINANCES

The effect of the coronavirus pandemic continues to impact church finances, but All Souls is committed to meeting its costs, including Common Fund, in full, until the end of the year. Whilst we are truly grateful for all donations received in recent weeks, we still need to rely on your continued generosity wherever possible to avoid having to dip too far into our reserves. For further details please contact the Treasurer, Trish Richardson – Tel: 01827 66282 or email trishrich18@gmail.com

VACANCY PRAYER

As we await the re-advertisement of the post of Vicar of the Parish of All Souls, we continue to offer our Vacancy Prayer, trusting in God's mercy and providence:

Father God we bring before you your precious church.

We pray that, during this interregnum and time of change, all the people of "All Souls" will encourage one another and work together to honour and glorify your Holy name. We pray especially for the churchwardens and members of the PCC and all who will share responsibility until a new leader is found.

Thank you, Lord, that you have gone before us and chosen the right person to lead us.

In Jesus' mighty name we pray. **Amen.** A longer version is also available, if preferred, for private use.

ECCLESIASTICAL INSURANCE GROUP (EIG) INSURANCE OFFER – EXTENDED TO 31/12/20

EIG's offer to donate £130 to parishes for each new **home insurance policy** taken out has been extended to 31 December 2020. All Souls has already benefited from two donations. Recently voted "the most trusted brand for home insurance", EIG's rates are highly competitive.

To find out more, call **0800 783 0130** quoting **TRUST 130** or visit www.ecclesiastical.com/Trust130

DOVE MAGAZINE

It is not too soon to start thinking about the next edition of The Dove which should appear late October/early November. If you have any items you would like included, please contact Alison Meredith, Anne Bufton-McCoy or Sally Parkes. **Copy deadline will be Sunday 18th October.**

Please note that the DOVE will also be available on line via the website.

"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful." (Colossians 3:3-15)