



# News and Notices

## Week of 15<sup>th</sup> August

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> August

10am Holy Communion

Festival of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
*President and Preacher Rev. John Horan*

**Readings:**

Isaiah 61.10-end

Luke 1.46-55

**Hymns:**

763 – Praise to the Holiest in the Height

99 – Hail to the Lord's Anointed

298 – For Mary, Mother of our Lord

394 – Tell Out My Soul

For the remainder of August, the Sunday service will not be livestreamed. This will then be reviewed for September.

**Also observed this week:**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> August:**

Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux, Teacher of the Faith, 1153

William and Catherine Booth, Founders of the Salvation Army, 1912 and 1890

**Upcoming Services:**

**Morning Prayer**

Mondays at Pip & Jims 9.00am, elsewhere the rest of the week. Livestreamed at:

[www.facebook.com/pipandjims](http://www.facebook.com/pipandjims)

**Wednesday - Midweek Holy Communion**

Holy Communion at Pip & Jims, 12.00 noon

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August: 10am Holy Communion**

*President Rev Nick Davies*

*Preacher Kay Edwardes*

**Prayer for the week:**

Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; 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 Lockdown Arrangements:

We continue to respond cautiously to the end of lockdown restrictions and plan to take things one Sunday at a time, learning and listening as we go. Please do share any thoughts with the stewards and Churchwardens.

- Booking is not required for services
- Mask Wearing is optional
- Hand sanitizer is available and its use encouraged
- Distanced seating will be available, along with more 'traditional' seating
- The doors will be open to allow ventilation
- We will be singing hymns and other parts of our liturgy

**At Communion, we will be distributing bread but not wine and please follow the stewards' directions as they help keep everyone safe moving through the church.**

### A Significant Birthday

Gwen Owen celebrates her 100th birthday on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September. If you wish to sign a card, please see one of the church wardens after the service or call into church between 10 and 12 on a weekday and the card will be on the welcome desk.

### Hygiene Excellence

Pip and Jim's has been provisionally awarded a 5 star hygiene rating for the servery. Many congratulations and thanks go to Christine, who has put in a significant amount of work to make this possible.

Maintaining this rating will depend on us all keeping to the required policies and procedures. Please do ask if you are at all unsure.

### Boo Voyce Neal

Boo Voyce Neal died on Friday 6th August 2021. Her funeral will take place at the crematorium on Monday 16th August 2021 at 3.30 pm. Please keep her in your prayers.

### Remembering Peter Thornton

We will be interring the ashes of Peter Thornton in our columbarium immediately after our 12noon service of Holy Communion on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August. We will be remembering Peter during our communion service and we wanted to let the wider congregation know, in case you wish to attend.

### Church Administrator

Candidates have now been invited to interview and these will take place in the week of 23<sup>rd</sup> August. Prayers for all involved are appreciated.

### Welcomers

Thank you to all who have volunteered to be part of the Welcomers team, this is proving to be a welcome presence to all who come in to the church.

We hope to extend this cover 2pm till 4pm in September. Please let me know if you are able to help, particularly Monday and Tuesday.

**Hazel**

### Fellowship and Study Groups

If you would like to join one of our groups, please get in touch with Nicky Lambert who coordinates these groups and can let you know when they are meeting and how you can get involved. Contact Nicky at:

[lambertwn@psmail.net](mailto:lambertwn@psmail.net) or 07990856041.

We are also on the look out for group leaders, do let Nicky know if you are interested or would like to know more. **Nick**

### Parish Giving

We do not take a collection during the service. We ask everyone to consider making a donation using the Gift Aid envelopes, leaving it in the plate at the back of the church. Each week we need to raise £3,500 to fund our work, or about £15 per person. To make a regular donation, please speak to Nick.

### Foodbank

We are currently in need of the following items: Washing powder/capsules, washing-up liquid, men's Shower Gel, ladies' razors, tinned rice pudding, custard, long life fruit juice, UHT milk, instant mashed potato and sponge puddings.

# Upcoming Events:

<b>Weekly Events:</b>	
Knit and Natter Tuesdays, 10:00-12:00 Memorial Chapel	Every Tuesday in the Memorial Chapel. Bring your own knitting, get ideas of things to knit and wool/needles to do it with, learn to knit - or just natter. £2 on the day for tea, coffee and biscuits.
Wednesday Lunches Wednesdays, 12:30 Nave	There will be a light lunch in the Church at 12.30 every Wednesday. It will consist of one of soup, quiche, or filled baked potato depending on the weather and the chef's mood, then cheese and biscuits, and ending with cake and cream plus a cup of tea or coffee. All this and good fellowship too for £4.50! Pay on the day.
Voices Rechoired Thursdays, 14:30 Nave	We are open to new members and sing a wide selection of light music - no choir experience or ability to read music is needed (£3/session). For more details or to sign up, contact Ginnie Paget: <a href="mailto:madwomanintheattic47@hotmail.co.uk">madwomanintheattic47@hotmail.co.uk</a>
<b>Looking further ahead:</b>	
Newcomers Welcome Evening Tuesday 24th August, 20:00	If you have joined our congregation in the past couple of years, please join us for a drink and a chat about all the things which we offer. If you can, please let Peter, Hazel or Nick know that you are coming.
Coffee Rota Wednesday 25th August, 10:00	For those who would be interested in helping with coffee after the service on a Sunday, Sue Allard will be in the church with coffee, chat and a sign up sheet for October to December.
Fourth Thursday Coffee Club 26 <sup>th</sup> August, 10:00-12:00 Memorial Chapel	Come by for a coffee and a chat, once a month in the memorial chapel.
Charlton Kings Choral Society Mini Concert 1 <sup>st</sup> September, 19:30	We plan to hold a mini-concert on Wednesday 1 September to perform a selection of Shakespeare songs (mainly arranged by George Shearing) together with some appropriate readings. All are welcome to come and listen.
Heritage Open Day 11 <sup>th</sup> September Whole Church	Pip and Jim's will be taking part in the annual Heritage Open Days. Each September thousands of volunteers across the country invite you to experience local history, architecture and culture, and this year we will be joining in.
Police Information Point 16th September, 11:00-13:00 Library	Our local PCSO, Tim Baldwin, will be running a Police Information Point from the church. Should you wish to discuss anything with him, he and the team would be happy to speak to residents and the community.
ROC Conversation 21 <sup>st</sup> September, 19:00-21:00 YMCA Sports Centre, Arle Road, Cheltenham, GL51 8LE	Redeeming Our Communities is coming to Cheltenham and if you live, work, socialise or have an interest in this community, then please save the date. Tickets are free but limited, to book visit: <a href="http://roc.uk.com/cheltenham">roc.uk.com/cheltenham</a>
Church Walk 24 <sup>th</sup> September, 10:00	The walk is approximately 4 miles over flattish fields and woods on the Sherborne estate (National Trust). Take A.40 from Cheltenham and turn left approximately 3 miles after Northleach roundabout (signed Sherborne). In 1 mile turn right into the village and park past the post office on the left by the allotments. Lunch afterwards at The Old Prison cafe in Northleach. John and Audrey Spencer. <a href="mailto:a27spencer@gmail.com">a27spencer@gmail.com</a> or 07973721031
Cheltenham Open Studios 25 <sup>th</sup> September- 3 <sup>rd</sup> October Dove & Raven Rooms	P & J will be hosting two exhibitions as part of the 2021 Open Studios. One exhibition is by Sarah Lyons, a member of our congregation, the other is 'Same Sea, Different Boat' – a patchwork quilt that brings together responses to the pandemic.
Should you wish to use the church for a church activity or meeting, please liaise with Rhys to check availability at <a href="mailto:bookings@pipandjims.org.uk">bookings@pipandjims.org.uk</a> or in the office weekdays 09:00-12:00	

## Reflecting on next week's Gospel Reading

*Below you will find the Gospel reading for next week. You are invited to take some time to reflect on the reading and consider what God might be saying to you...*

*Find yourself a quality moment, not always easy! Pray for God to speak to you through the reading.*

*Read it once and underline a word or sentence that strikes you*

*Read it again and ask yourself what God might be saying to you?*

*Read it once more and ask what God might be saying to Pip and Jims?*

*Finish with a prayer.*

### Luke 1.46-55

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

## Contact Details – Pip & Jim's

### Parish Office

(Monday – Friday, 9.00am – 12.00 noon)

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### Rhys Topping, Community Engagement Officer

Monday – Friday, 8.30am – 11.30am

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### Church WiFi:

Network: Guest Wi-Fi

Password: pipandjim