# The Church of St Francis Weekly Bulletin for Christ the King The Conclusion of Kingdom Season and the Church Year 21st November 2021



Today we lift our hearts and voices in praise of Christ the King of heaven and earth.

As we come to the end of one church year – and look forward to the beginning of another, we remind ourselves just who it is we serve, and give thanks for his boundless, self giving love for us.

Jesus, our king, is not like like any earthly king – all are welcome in his kingdom of peace, and all are equal in his sight.

### All glory, laud and honour to thee, redeemer King!

#### FOR OUR PRAYERS

We pray for those who are in need of prayer at this time: +Bishop Alan; Hayley; Ivan and Peter; Audrey; Sheila; Megan; Riley & his mum and family; Grace & David; Alex and Amanda; Kathryn; Willow; Frank and Colleen

We continue to pray for Woodside House Care Home; Hebron House and all those who are managing long term issues including: Gayle; Linda R; Charlotte; Maegan; Carson; Tom; Rosemary; Cynthia & David; John and Jane; Rob, Rosie, and Pete; Shirley.

We pray for those who have died in recent days and for all who mourn the loss of a loved one or a friend.

The Church of St Francis Heartsease

Heavenly Father
We ask your blessing upon us.
Hold the Heartsease Community,
and all the world,
in your arms of love.
Be with us.
Give us your strength,
peace, and healing grace.
Watch over us,
protect us from harm;
and keep in safety
all those who care for the sick
and attend to our needs,
in Jesus name we pray.
Amen

#### **COLLECTS FOR CHRIST THE KING**

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ
ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things
as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order
to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God. now and for ever. Amen

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory. Amen



# POST COMMUNION PRAYER FOR CHRIST THE KING

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### READINGS FOR CHRIST THE KING



You may notice that we do not always use all the readings in our Sunday service – we include them in the bulletin for you to reflect upon them throughout the forthcoming week.

#### **DANIEL 7:9-10, 13-14**

As I watched,
thrones were set in place,
and an Ancient One took his throne;
his clothing was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
and its wheels were burning fire.
A stream of fire issued
and flowed out from his presence.

A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.

The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened.

As I watched in the night visions,
I saw one like a human being
coming with the clouds of heaven.
And he came to the Ancient One
and was presented before him.
To him was given dominion
and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

#### **PSALM 93**

- <sup>1</sup> The Lord is king and has put on glorious apparel; ♦ the Lord has put on his glory and girded himself with strength.
- <sup>2</sup> He has made the whole world so sure ♦ that it cannot be moved.
- <sup>3</sup> Your throne has been established from of old; ♦ you are from everlasting.
- The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; ◆ the floods lift up their pounding waves.
- Mightier than the thunder of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, ◆ the Lord on high is mightier.
- <sup>6</sup> Your testimonies are very sure; ♦ holiness adorns your house, O Lord, for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and shall be for ever. Amen

## FORTHCOMING SERVICES ALL WELCOME

Mon: Morning Prayer - 9am

Tues: Morning Prayer – 9am Evening Prayer – 5pm

Weds: Morning Prayer – 9am BCP Holy Communion – 11.30am Evening Prayer - 5pm

Thurs: Morning Prayer – 9am Evening Prayer – 5pm

Sun: Holy Communion for ADVENT SUNDAY 10.30am



#### SUNDAY MORNING REFRESHMENTS

It is a matter of great sadness that we will have to reconsider offering refreshments after the Sunday morning service.

Unfortunately the washing up and clearing away has fallen onto the shoulders of just one or two willing souls and this is not a situation that is sustainable in the longer term.

If you are willing to be part of a rota of folk to organise a fair distribution of the workload please have a word with Tracey Pardon.



The other alternative would be for everyone to bring their own cup/mug and take it home with them to wash – over to you...

[A reusable coffee cup is easily obtainable and relatively inexpensive – we may be able

to supply you with one of these for £2.50]

#### HOME COMMUNION



If you live in the parish of St Francis and would like to receive the Sacrament in your home because you cannot get to church, please contact Revd Janet or Fr Tracy.

### ST FRANCIS NEWS...

#### **NOVEMBER MEETING OF THE PCC**

The PCC are due to meet in NextDoor@St Francis this forthcoming Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm.

If there is anything on your mind that you would like to bring to the attention of the PCC or a matter you would like discussed, please speak with the Vicar, the Chair of the PCC or David Lechmere. Vice Chair.

Alternatively you can have a word with any PCC member. Your views are important!

#### A DATE FOR THE DIARY!



St Francis Annual Christmas Concert



## 11<sup>th</sup> December 7.30

All tickets £7.50 [Includes a glass of bubbles!]



#### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST FRANCIS

#### **LET IT GROW**

EVERY WEDNESDAY
@ 9am - 11.30am



Weeding,
Sowing, Planting,
&
10.15 am
Tea And Cake
Break
LOTS OF FRESH
VEG TO BE
PICKED
COME
AND GET IT!





# Open Afternoons every Wednesday 2pm - 4pm

(starting Wednesday 15 September)

Come and meet the team
Find out how we can help you
with debt, budgeting or benefit
forms

Free tea/coffee/soft drinks and biscuits

Volunteers also welcomed

Nextdoor @ St Francis 94 Rider Haggard Road

# THURSDAY MORNING IS COFFEE MORNING In the Church Lounge 10am - 12pm EVERY WEEK!





Meaningful Chocolate 'Real Advent Calendars' are now available in church and in our 'Good News Café' NextDoor. £5 each – hurry, stocks are limited...



Coffee Express Latte, Cappuccino, flat white, Expresso, Hot Chocolate etc. All £1.50 per cup

> 10am - 12pm EVERY FRIDAY & SATURDAY MORNING

#### **GOOD NEWS CAFÉ**

Mug of Tea £1.00

Cup of Coffee
[Latte, Cappuccino, flat
white, Expresso etc.]
£1.50

**Cup of Hot Chocolate £1.50** 

Flapjacks £1.00

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EVERY
FRIDAY & SATURDAY
MORNING

10am **- 12**pm

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# Check out our special Advent & Christmas goods now on sale!





All are welcome to our

## **Led Bike Rides**

<u>Saturdays from</u> October 2<sup>nd</sup> 10am - 12pm

Come on a led social ride in and around the Heartsease area, utilising quiet roads and segregated cycle paths starting from

St Francis Church on Rider Haggard Road

There will be a mid-ride break, a chance to have a chat with refreshments. Please bring refreshments and comfortable clothing.

This series of rides hosted by St Francis Cycling is running on Saturdays commencing 2nd October Bikes can be provided but there are limited numbers, so get in touch as soon as possible to avoid disappointment

Contact fathertracy@mail.com

for more details