

## Team News

On Mondays 25th November and 2nd December, leading up to the season of Advent, the **'Exploring the Bible' group** will be using York Courses' Advent Course **"Who are we praying to?"**. Anyone interested is welcome to join us at Crosspoint from **7.30pm to 9pm** on any or all of these Mondays.

The Community Food Bank are making up **Christmas food boxes** and would appreciate our help with this. Items they would most like are Biscuits (family pack) Cakes, Chocolates, Coffee, Christmas Pudding, Custard /Brandy Sauce, Christmas Sweets, Jam, Mince pies, Sweet Selection Box, Tinned Meat/Pies. Please take items to All Saints' Church, Holy Trinity Church, Holy Saviour Or DIRECTLY TO Crosspoint.

**White Horse Team Advent Carol Service** at Old Dilton Church, followed by tea and mince pies, will be held on Sunday 8th December at 4.0pm. If you are able to offer a lift to those who may not otherwise be able to travel to the service, please do offer and let wardens know if you have space. Similarly if you need a lift please approach those who might be able to help or let wardens know if you need a lift.

Melanie and Andrew Otto invite you to a **Open House** at 37 Timor Road on Saturday 14th December 10am-4pm. Please join us for mince pies, mulled wine and some festive cheer! All welcome!

The Rotary Club of Westbury will be holding their Carol Concert in All Saints Church on Monday 2nd December at 6.30pm

Please note that the 10.00am service on the 1st Sunday at Holy Trinity Church will now be Praise and Worship. For those who wish to take Holy Communion there are three services on that day within the White Horse Team. 8.00am and 9.30am at All Saints Church. and 11.00am at Holy Saviour Church.

### All Saints Church News

The **Christmas Tree Festival** at All Saints Church is nearly here. It will be held from Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November until Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Suitable raffle prizes would be welcomed and volunteers are still required so if you are able to help please contact David Bullock or Sharon Jones.

**All Saints volunteer needed.** Our current treasurer is stepping down from his role at the end of this year and we are looking for a volunteer interested in becoming treasurer. This role is essential in the effective running of a parish. Being Treasurer will not commit you to having to be at regular PCC meetings, but will require regular reporting as to our financial status. If you are interested in standing and being nominated for this role, please speak to The Revd Caroline Husband who will share with you more of what is involved.

**100 Club** All Saints and Holy Saviour 100 Club subscriptions are now due. At only £15 per annum this is an excellent way to support the church and you might also find yourself a winner. Please contact Brian Osborne for details. All cheques to be made payable to Westbury PCC

## Holy Trinity Church News

Saturday 7th December is the next Meet the Village coffee morning and table top sale at Holy Trinity Church. 10am—noon. There will be a free Christmas cup cake for everyone. Traidcraft product will also be on sale. Contact Garth 0373 822414 or 01373 229618 for details

The church will now be open to all daily from 9am until 5 pm. If you are able to help on the opening/closing rota please contact Garth.

## Holy Saviour News

There will be a basket in church every Sunday for donations for the food bank. Donations of jam, biscuits, tinned goods, or any food stuff with a long life, would be gratefully received.

## Prayer Groups

**Westbury Prayer Network.** Telephone requests in confidence to Lynette Weekley (858361).

**WHT Ministry e-prayer Group.** If you would like prayers of thanksgiving or help, for yourself or others, please contact Prayer chain co-ordinator Sue Stanley at [suestanley.whtministry@gmail.com](mailto:suestanley.whtministry@gmail.com) or 01373 229618 for details



## WHITE HORSE TEAM MINISTRY

### Notices for the week:

**24th—30th November 2019**

## Welcome to Worship

There is some provision for children at each of our churches, please feel free to make use of the facilities provided.

8.00am	Holy Communion - A/S
9.30am	Morning Praise —A/S
10.00am	Holy Communion—H/T
11.00am	Holy Communion—H/S
6.00pm	Evensong Methodist led — M/C
7.15pm	Silent Prayer—A/S

### Tuesday:

9.30am	Morning Prayers—A/S
2.30pm	Town Prayers— M/C

### Wednesday:

9.30am	First Steps to Worship—A/S
10.30am	Holy Communion—A/S

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## NB. Sunday Evening Prayer moved to the Methodist Church in November

### Worship next Sunday

8.00am	Holy Communion - A/S
9.30am	Holy Communion - A/S
10.00am	Praise and Worship plus Baptism - H/T
11.00am	Holy Communion - H/S
4.00pm	Christingle Service—A/S
6.00pm	Evening Prayer— M/C
7.15pm	Silent Prayer—A/S

<b>Key:</b>	A/S - All Saints, Westbury	B/W - All Saints, Brokerswood
	H/S - Holy Saviour, Westbury Leigh	H/T - Holy Trinity, Dilton Marsh
	WPH - Westbury Parish Hall	Mem - Memorial Hall, Dilton Marsh
	M/C - Methodist Church, Westbury	URC - United Reformed church,
	WEB - West End Baptist Church	WJS—Westbury Junior School
	WLCH—Westbury Leigh Community Hall	

# Christ the King — 24th November 2019

## Collect

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.

## Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. *Selah*  
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. *Selah*  
Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.  
"Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth." The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. *Selah*

## Reading: Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

## Gospel: Luke 23: 33.-43

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."  
One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

## Lectio Divina

Latin for "Divine Reading") is a traditional Benedictine practice of scriptural reading, meditation and prayer. Intended to promote communion with God and to increase the knowledge of God's word. It does not treat scripture as texts to be studied, but as the living word.

Take time for yourself (just 10 mins a day), get comfy in a chair at a time you won't be disturbed (turn off the phone) sit quietly and take just four breaths allow your breathing to slow and then read the passage or verses you have chosen. Nothing too long - just a short piece (psalms are lovely for this).

Read the passage- just absorb the words read them a few times, reflect on the words, does anything shine out to you?

It can be helpful to keep a journal of the passages you have chosen, the thoughts that came, the feelings you had and how it felt to give this precious time to God. Write how you may have carried this out in your every day.

## 5 Steps of Lectio Divina

READING: Read a passage slowly and carefully within the bible.

PRAYER: Having a loving conversation with God.

MEDITATION: Thinking deeply or swelling upon a spiritual reality within a text.

CONTEMPLATION: Resting in God's presence.

ACTION: Go and do likewise

**All readings are taken from NRSV  
Readings for next week**

**Psalm 122**

**Reading: Isaiah 2: 1-5**

**Gospel: Matthew 24: 36-44**