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FEAST OF DEDICATION

Welcome to our Services today

And welcome if you are reading this at home

8am BCP Holy Communion

**9.30am Sung Eucharist on the
Feast of Dedication**

All hymns & music can be found in the printed
Order of Service for today

COLLECT

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: we praise you for the many blessings you have given to those who worship you here: and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you, and, being filled with the Holy Spirit, may become a living temple acceptable to you; 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.**

FIRST READING

1 Peter 2. 1-10

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: 'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.' To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner', and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 2. 19-22

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

GOSPEL READING

John 2. 13-22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves,

'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Father in heaven, whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace, an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem: grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage that, fed with the living bread of heaven, and united in the body of your Son, we may be the temple of your presence, the place of your glory on earth, and a sign of your peace in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.. **Amen**

GLUTEN FREE WAFERS – these are available for those who need them. Please let the welcomers know when you arrive and inform the priest when you come to receive Communion

HOLY TRINITY NOTICES

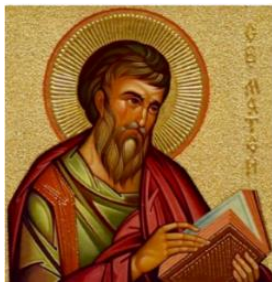
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NOTICES FOR WEEKLY BULLETINS – please send any messages *by the end of a Wednesday* to Netty on beneficeoffice@htboa.org

BIRTHDAYS - Happy Birthday, prayers and blessings to all those with birthdays in this season.

FEAST OF DEDICATION - It is some years since we have observed the Feast of Dedication when we give thanks for the consecration of this beautiful building to the glory of God. In the words of the patriarch Jacob, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God and this is the gate of heaven.' Holy Trinity has been a place of worship at the heart of our town for hundreds of years and we remember with thanksgiving all who have prayed here and found peace, healing and solace within its walls. We are particularly grateful to Bishop John for presiding and preaching at our eucharist this morning. With him we pray that as 'living stones' of God's church we in our generation may be faithful in our discipleship and courageous in our witness to Christ.



FINDING JESUS THROUGH MATTHEW - The Rt Revd Dr John Inge KCVO, Wednesday, 5 November 10am – 11.15am, Holy Trinity

We are delighted that Bishop John will be leading us in a short course 'Finding Jesus

through Matthew'. The Revised Common Lectionary has become the framework by which Scripture is read on Sundays in many Anglican parishes and other denominations. It follows a three-year cycle, taking each of the synoptic Gospels in turn, and reading substantial portions of them within the rhythm of the liturgical year. While each year focuses on Matthew, Mark, or Luke, the Gospel of John also features prominently at particular times. This session helps us to see the Gospel narrative more clearly: explained, illuminated, and interpreted for our discipleship. Bishop John will guide us into Matthew's Gospel: exploring the setting in which it was first written, the way it is presented in the lectionary cycle, and the themes and concerns that shape its message. In this way, we will be invited to encounter afresh the story of Jesus - Matthew's Gospel being the focus for the coming year (Lectionary Year A).

The Gospel of Matthew will also be the focus of our Lent Course in 2026.

If you would like to sign up for the session with Bishop John on 5 November, please email the benefice office email: beneficeoffice@htboa.org. Thank you, Revd Jenny

MESSAGE FROM JENNY – Jenny is in China visiting her son Joss and assures us that she is with us all in prayer whilst she is away, and especially today.

HOLY TRINITY - NEW CONCERT & RECITAL SERIES - Next Recital – Thursday, 30 October @ 12.00pm Martin writes: I am much looking forward to performing my first concert in our new Lunch Hour Concert series and hope that, in my chosen programme, there will truly be something for everyone. I am certainly not cracking any hard nuts, as it were, and even though I promised music from Bach to the present day, the new pieces are all from the harmonically traditional end of the aural spectrum. Indeed, if I say that two of them are by a celebrated British composer who is no stranger to Holy Trinity and who has just celebrated his 80th birthday, you will have a gentle clue as to what might be in store. Do come along on Thursday!

REMEMBERING SERVICES - This year we will be offering two special services again, an **All Souls Eucharist on Tuesday 4 November at 9.30am** and a 'Remembering' service on **Sunday 16 November at 3pm**; both are Benefice services which will be held at Holy Trinity. There will be lists of names read out during the services so if you would like a name read out, please do send details to Netty and the office address. Refreshments will be served after the Remembering Service on Sunday 16 November

GRATEFUL THANKS - Many thanks to Revd Jenny Nelson & the congregation for the Certificates celebrating our continued service as Lay Pastoral Assistants. Also for presenting the Mainly Music Certificate marking 15 years of Mainly Music. Thanks go to all who have helped in many ways over the fifteen years in bringing families into our Church for baptism, fun, friendship & fellowship. Marlene & Tony Haffenden

COMMUNITY CAFÉ – Wednesdays from 10am-12noon - weekly community café – coffee/tea and biscuits will be provided on a donation basis.

WEEKLY PRAYERS every Thursday in the Saxon Church for Israel and Palestine using prayer from Sabeel based in Jerusalem, 11.50am - 12.10pm. Everyone warmly

BACT ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL PEACE WALK – TODAY @ 1.30pm. Gather at Westbury Gardens to walk along the canal to Avoncliff to show support for those touched by war around the world. All welcome

HOLY TRINITY EVENTS - With our growth in the church being hired for concerts and events, we urgently seek more hosts, to be able to continue with our programme and requests. If you are able to help volunteer, or if this is of interest to you and you would like to find out more, please email Netty (Benefice Office). We look forward to welcoming you to the team. Thank you for your support.

BACT GENERAL MEETING & PRAYERS – Thursday, 20 November @ 7.30pm in Holy Trinity Tower Room. Please join us for discussion and prayer – everyone welcome.

CONFIRMATION AT SALISBURY CATHEDRAL, 1 NOVEMBER - Do please keep Mason, Stevie, Chris, Sally, and Jill in your prayers as they prepare to be confirmed at Salisbury Cathedral on 1st November, 6pm. They will receive their first Holy Communion on Sunday November 2nd at the 9.30am All Saints Eucharist in. Do come along and support, and if you are considering baptism or confirmation, or simply want to explore what that might mean in God's church, please get in touch with Jenny, who is planning an Exploring Confirmation Course.

THIS WEEK @ HT

MORNING PRAYER – Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday @ 8.30am

MAINLY MUSIC – Tuesday @ 10.30am-12noon – fun & friendship for pre-school families (contact Marlene on 864412 if you'd like to come). We have vacancies at the moment so would love to welcome more families.

SAXON CLUB – Tuesday @ 2.30pm – fun & friendship for 'seniors'. Theme: Michael Bardall 'My visit to Ireland

COMMUNITY CAFE – Wednesday, 10am – 12noon. All welcome.

THURSDAY CONCERT SERIES – Thursday @ 12noon with Martin Cooke.

CREATIVE MAKERS MARKET – Saturday, 10am-3pm

FUTURE EVENTS @ HT

EVENSONG – Sunday, 2 November @ 6pm

EUCHARIST FOR ALL SOULS – Tuesday, 4 November @ 9.30am

TRIO PARADIS CAFÉ CONCERT – Thursday, 6 November @ 10.45am. November's theme is inspired by the traditional travelling people of Eastern Europe, with pieces including 'Songs My Mother Taught Me' by Dvořák, Haydn's Gypsy Rondo, and various Dumkas and other dances.. Concerts last c45mins. There's no need to book, just turn up early for best seats as these concerts are popular!

REMEMBERING SERVICE – Sunday, 16 November @ 3pm followed by refreshments

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for all who are sick, remembering especially: Barbara Adamson, Tony Bruun, Mary Dawson, David Driscoll, Valerie Dyer, Jennifer Fuller, Anne Harris, Viktor Klid, Celia Milne, Alice Moody, Lewis Moody, Richard, Geneviève Roberts, Edward Shaw, Malcolm Walsh & James Wright.

Pray for all those who mourn and for those who have recently died

Please let Revd Jenny, Marlene (LPA) and Tony Haffenden (LPA) know of any pastoral need, including prayer.

Pray for all those whose anniversary of death falls at this time, especially: Otilie West, Joan Godwin, Andrew Hawkins, Sally Hemmings & Sallie Chapman

FOR PRAYER THIS WEEK

- St Laurence School community, Fitzmaurice Primary School families; for the school community.
- Christian Unity
- Peace and protection for the world
- The teachings of the Gospels
- The gift of music
- Those recently bereaved
- Blessings for our families

God of justice and mercy,
we lift up the people of the Holy Land,
and all who seek peace.
Grant that voices, hopes, and concerns be heard,
and that a lasting peace may grow through courage,
wisdom, and love.
Strengthen all as peacemakers,
and guide those who work for reconciliation,
so that your justice and peace may flourish. Amen



We continue to work together in our shared commitment to Safeguarding: **'The Benefice of Bradford on Avon Holy Trinity, Westwood and Wingfield takes its responsibilities surrounding the safeguarding of children, young people, and adults who may be at risk, very seriously. We work in partnership with the Diocese of Salisbury to ensure that we work in accordance with best practices at all times.'**

SAFEGUARDING - If you have any Safeguarding concerns please speak to the clergy or our Safeguarding Adviser for the Benefice: **Andrea Unwin** 07553161654
Email: safeguarding@htboa.org
If you are concerned that someone you know is at risk of or is being abused, or presents a risk to others, please seek advice from: safeguarding@salisbury.anglican.org to speak to a caseworker, or the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor 01722 438651, option 3

NEXT WEEK – 2 NOVEMBER – ALL SAINTS DAY

8am – BCP Holy Communion
9.30am – Sung Eucharist

Readings:
Ephesians 1. 11-end
Luke 6. 20-31