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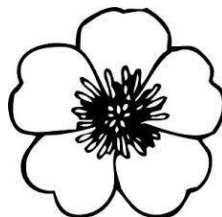
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REMEMBRANCE

Welcome to our Services today
And welcome if you are reading this at home

8am BCP Holy Communion

10.15am Town Remembrance Service

All hymns & music are in the printed
Order of Service for today

All My Hope on God is Founded
I Vow to Thee My Country
Dear Lord and Father of Mankind
O God, Our Help in Ages Past
The National Anthem

COLLECT (BCP)

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COLLECT (REMEMBRANCE)

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING (BCP)

2 Thessalonians 2. 1-5, 13-17

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

GOSPEL READING (BCP)

Luke 20. 27-38

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.'

Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead

are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

READING

Matthew 5. 1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.'

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

COPYING, PRINTING, POSTERS – please send to Netty on: beneficeoffice@htboa.org

HT FINANCE, PAYMENT REQUESTS ETC – please contact Klaus on treasurer@htboa.org

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.

REMEMBERING SERVICE - This year we will be offering a '**Remembering' service on Sunday, 16 November at 3pm**; a Benefice services 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.

MESSAGE FROM JENNY – Remembrance Sunday -

Today we remember those who gave their lives in war and conflict, and we hold in prayer those we love who have died more recently. In today's readings for the 21st Sunday After Trinity, Paul and Jesus speak words of enduring hope and divine consolation. Paul writes to the Thessalonian Christians in a time of fear and uncertainty, praying that Christ, who loved them, would

comfort their hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word. These words remind us that God's consolation is not fleeting, but the steady and sustaining gift of divine love, which grounds our lives and enables us to act faithfully in the world.

In the Gospel, Jesus meets questions about the resurrection with vision rather than argument, inviting us to see a life where love and goodness are not lost but fulfilled in God's eternal life. As we face grief, we are assured that God gathers all that is true, good, and loved into his eternal embrace. This morning at 8am at Holy Trinity, we celebrate Jill's first Holy Communion, a visible sign of receiving Christ's life, not only as gift but commission: the life we receive in Christ becomes the life we are called to live, in every good word and work.

Prayer

Gracious God, we remember with gratitude those who gave their lives in war and conflict, and we entrust to you those we love who have died recently, including our beloved friend The Revd Canon David Driscoll, and for Lindsay and their family. Comfort all who mourn, and uphold the hearts of all who grieve. May your eternal consolation remind us that love is never lost, that goodness endures, and that life in Christ is victorious over death. Strengthen us to live faithfully, with words of hope, acts of compassion, and love in all we say and do, renewed daily by your Holy Spirit. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HOLY TRINITY CONCERT SERIES - The Music of Remembrance – Thursday, 13 November, 12pm at Holy Trinity. We are delighted that Martin will be giving a special concert to mark the season of Remembrance, which we hope everyone will enjoy. Martin promises some of the foot-tapping marches familiar from the Royal Albert Hall's Festival of Remembrance, interwoven with gentle, poignant music offering comfort for those remembering loved ones. The programme includes works by Coates, Walford Davies, Elgar, Butterworth, Fauré, Barber, Vaughan Williams, and others

Martin writes: Over the last week or so, I have enjoyed putting the finishing touches to my programme for this concert which I much look forward to presenting next Thursday. I hope I have struck a balance between the pomp and circumstance on the one hand, but also the simplicity of the beautiful national airs that we hear from the cenotaph each year, all of which help us commemorate and remember the fallen, and to be thankful for the service of the millions who gave their lives for all that know today. I am not focussing purely on Remembrance, but also on Remembering, and therefore, a slightly different theme is woven through the programme for those who are thinking of their own loved ones who are no longer with us.

After a short pause in December for seasonal music and carol services, the new concert series resumes on Thursday, 29 January, with the young musicians of Monkton Combe School, starting at 12.30pm. Refreshments are served 30 minutes before the concert. All are welcome!

THANK YOU – Joan Finch and the the Holy Trinity Crochet Group. Every poppy was hand crocheted by the crochet group. Thank you to every member of the group for every poppy so beautifully created.

THANK YOU - Hospitality Team at Holy Trinity Thank you to Joan Finch and the Hospitality Team for their superb, extraordinary hospitality for the Deanery Synod. The Rector, The Revd Jenny Nelson and the Bradford Rural Dean, The Revd Jake Eggertsen pass their thanks on to Joan and the whole team, on behalf of everyone present.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 9-14 DECEMBER - In order to make this enjoyable community event a success, we need volunteers to:

- Help set up after church on Sunday, 7 December and to clear away on Monday afternoon 15 December
- Help with refreshments (a steady head is required to cope with mulled wine fumes)
- Act as welcome stewards

Do please add your name to lists on the Welcome Desk. Any questions or if you would like to stage a tree please contact John Cox (tel 864270 or jandbcox@hotmail.com There are lists on the welcome desk

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMATION

CANDIDATES - On Saturday, 1 November, Chris, Jill, Mason, Sally, and Stevie were confirmed at Salisbury Cathedral, joining other candidates from across the Diocese of Salisbury. Please do speak with Mason, Stevie, Chris, Jill, Sally, Revd Jenny and the team to learn more about the Confirmation journey.

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

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'.

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

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

SAVE THE CHILDREN AUTUMN FAIR – Saturday, 10am-12.30pm

FUTURE EVENTS @ HT

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

MOTHERS' UNION MEETING – Wednesday, 19 November @ 2.30pm

FORGET ME NOT CAFÉ – Thursday, 20 November @ 11am-12.30pm – lots of fun, music and good company.

PARAGON SINGERS – Saturday, 22 November @ 7.30pm. Presenting a captivating concert celebrating the vibrant vocal music of the early Italian Baroque. Discover the vibrant music of 17th century nun Chiara Margarita Cozzolani alongside Monteverdi Madrigals. Tickets available on the door £20.

BENEFICE ADVENT CAROLS – Sunday, 30 November @ 6pm

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CAROLS AROUND THE TREES – Sunday, 14 December @ 3pm

ADVENT EUCHARIST – Wednesday, 17 December @ 10am – we celebrate with Ian Stanes his 60 years anniversary of his Ordination

NINE LESSONS & CAROLS – Sunday, 21 December @ 6pm



CHRISTMAS SERVICES

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE – Christmas Eve, Wednesday, 24 December @ 3pm

MIDNIGHT MASS – Christmas Eve, Wednesday, 24 December @ 11.15pm

CHRISTMAS DAY – Thursday, 25 December: 8am BCP Holy Communion
9.30am Sung Eucharist on Christmas Day

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for all who are sick, remembering especially: Barbara Adamson, Tony Bruun, Mary Dawson, 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, especially: David Driscoll, Valerie Dyer & Richard Parsley

Pray for all those whose anniversary of death falls at this time, especially: Patrick Squire

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

FOR PRAYER THIS WEEK

- St Laurence School community, Fitzmaurice Primary School families; for the school community.
- Spiritual renewal
- Remembering all who have died in conflicts
- British Transport Police and all First Responders
- The vulnerable and suffering
- Thanks for a brand new day
- Love, kindness and respect to all

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 – 16 NOVEMBER – THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

8am – BCP Holy Communion

9.30am – Sung Eucharist

Readings:

Malachi 4. 1-2a

2 Thessalonians 3. 6-13

Luke 21. 5-19