

*To know Jesus Christ and make Him known*

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**9TH AUGUST 2020**

**SUNDAY PODCAST SERVICE**



**10.00AM ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN**

*The Parable of the Weeds*

*Matthew 13 :24-43*

**Preacher: Bishop Rod Thomas**

**Leading: Alistair Grote**

**LET'S CONNECT ON ZOOM! VIRTUAL COFFEE 11.30am – 12.30pm**

The web link and password has been emailed to the church family along with this Service Sheet

### **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
creator of heave and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived  
by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand  
of the Father,  
and he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.

Amen

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
As we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever.  
Amen.

### **CONFESSION**

Lord God,  
we have sinned against you;  
we have done evil in your sight.  
We are sorry and repent.  
Have mercy on us according  
to your love.  
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse  
us from our sin.  
Renew a right spirit within us  
and restore us to the joy of your  
salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen

### **COLLECT PRAYER**

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit  
to be the life and light of your Church:  
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,  
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace,  
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

**PRAISE HIM, PRAISE HIM! JESUS, OUR  
BLESSED REDEEMER!**

Praise him, praise Him!  
Jesus, our blessed Redeemer!  
Sing, O earth—

His wonderful love proclaim!  
Hail Him! hail Him!  
highest archangels in glory;  
strength and honour  
give to his holy name!

Like a shepherd,  
Jesus will guard His children,  
in His arms He carries them  
all day Long.

*Praise Him, praise Him!  
tell of His excellent greatness;  
Praise Him, praise Him  
ever in joyful song!*

Praise Him!— praise Him !  
Jesus, our blessed Redeemer!  
for our sins He suffered,  
and bled, and died; He—our rock,  
our hope of eternal salvation,  
hail Him, hail Him! Jesus the crucified!

Sound His praises—  
Jesus who bore our sorrows,  
love unbounded, wonderful,  
deep and strong.

*Praise Him .....*

Praise Him, praise Him!  
Jesus, our blessed Redeemer!  
heavenly portals, loud with hosannas  
ring! Jesus, Saviour,  
reigneth for ever and ever:  
crown Him, crown Him!  
Prophet, and Priest, and King!  
Christ in coming,  
over the world victorious,  
power and glory unto the Lord belong.

*Praise Him....*

*Fanny J Crosby (1820-1915)*

**WE HAVE A GOSPEL TO PROCLAIM**

We have a gospel to proclaim,  
good news for all throughout the earth;  
the gospel of a saviour's name:  
we sing His glory, tell His worth.

Tell of His birth at Bethlehem,  
not in a royal house or hall  
but in a stable dark and dim:  
the Word made flesh, a light for all.

Tell of His death of Calvary,  
hated by those He came to save;  
in lonely suffering on the cross  
for all He loved, His life He gave.

Tell of that glorious Easter morn:  
empty the tomb, for He was free;  
He broke the power of death and hell  
that we might share His victory.

Tell of His reign at God's right hand,  
by all creation glorified;  
He sends His Spirit on His Church  
to live for Him, the Lamb who died.

Now we rejoice to name Him king:  
Jesus is Lord of all the earth;  
this gospel—message we proclaim:  
we sing His glory, tell His worth.

*Edward Joseph Burns*

**TODAY'S TEACHING**  
***The Parable of the Weeds***  
***Matthew 13:24-43***

**NEXT SUNDAY 16TH AUGUST, 10.00AM**

***The Parables of the Kingdom***

**Matthew's Gospel 13:31-38; 44-52**

**Preacher: Bishop Rod Thomas**

During August we are focusing on some of Jesus' parables and miracles in Matthew's gospel. The weekly talks have been produced by Church Society and we hope that they will be good food for you during the holiday season.

**PODCAST SERVICES 10.00AM**

An audio podcast will be available for 10.00am through the website and telephone listening service. Ruth is taking a break over the summer so there won't be a children's teaching video during August.

**All Saints Fordham & Eight Ash Green  
Teaching Programme Sundays 10.00am**



<b>2<sup>nd</sup> August</b>	<b>Podcast</b>	<b>The Parable of the Sower</b>	<b>Matthew's Gospel 13:1-23</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>Podcast</b>	<b>The Parable of the Weeds</b>	<b>Matthew's Gospel 13: 24-43</b>
<b>16<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>Podcast</b>	<b>Parables of the Kingdom</b>	<b>Matthew's Gospel 13: 31-33 &amp; 44-52</b>
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> August</b>	<b>To Be Confirmed</b>	<b>Fear and Doubt</b>	<b>Matthew's Gospel 14:22-36</b>
<b>30<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>To Be Confirmed</b>	<b>Never Despair</b>	<b>Matthew's Gospel 15:21-28</b>

**VIRTUAL COFFEE TIME ON ZOOM, 11.30 - 12.30PM.**

Linda will email the Zoom link during the week.

**ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN  
CHILDREN'S & YOUTH WORKER 2021 - 2023 (2025)  
FUNDRAISING APPEAL**

I want to strengthen our church as we seek to move forward through the pandemic and different stages of lockdown over the coming months. So, with the support of the wardens and PCC, my aspiration is to appoint a Children's and Youth worker to lead the ministry to under 18s across the parish. Investing in this new staff post will be a significant contribution to the life of our church over the next few years. Please will you prayerfully consider if you can contribute to underwriting this new post. In the current financial climate, it is important that you carefully assess whether you are able to enter into such a commitment. If you didn't hear my presentation (towards the end of the service on 26<sup>th</sup> July) I encourage you to listen back to the podcast.

**BASIC DETAILS FOR THE POST**

Three-years with the option to extend to five if it is going well.

Four building blocks of the role:

- Weekly ministry in the two primary schools
- Running the All Saints Sunday Club
- Organising the 421 Youth Group
- Integrating these ministries into the wider life of the church.

The approximate and provisional cost of the post will be £30,000 per year (salary, pension contributions, employers National Insurance and expenses) and £90,000 for the initial three years.

These figures do not include accommodation, so if the new person doesn't have their own housing this will increase the annual cost. In the past members of the church family have been able to make accommodation available for a church worker. If you might be able to serve the church in this way, please get in touch with one of the wardens, Nick Durlacher or Alistair Grote.

**DEADLINE FOR PLEDGES: MONDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

If you would like to contribute to the funding of this exciting new post please email the treasurer Roger Miles with details of your pledge by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September [r.j.miles@talktalk.net](mailto:r.j.miles@talktalk.net) The PCC can then agree a plan based on the total pledges and gifts with the aim of advertising in October. If you have any questions you are welcome to get in touch with Roger Miles 01206 396477 or Francis Blight 01206 243266 [francis.blight@fordhamchurch.org.uk](mailto:francis.blight@fordhamchurch.org.uk) after the 17<sup>th</sup> August.

## NOTICES



**ROGER & RUTH MILES** would like to announce the safe arrival of their new grandson, Boaz Elliot Lingwood, born Thursday, the 29th July, 2020 weighing in at 7lb 14oz.

We offer our Congratulations to his parents, Hayley & Ian.

**CHRIS WILLIS** is due to be ordained on 12th September as Deacon, serving his Curacy at St Albrights, in Stanway. "I shall really miss everyone at FEAG, and have valued the many friendships and love I have known as a family over the last 14 years. I am really pleased I will only be in the neighbouring parish, so hope to keep in contact. I'd value your prayers as I prepare to serve in Stanway" Although Chris will be moving house, his mobile telephone number and email address remain the same.

**GIVING TO ALL SAINTS FORDHAM AND EIGHT ASH GREEN** If you would like details of how to support the ministry of our church financially, or you have any questions about giving, please speak to our treasurer Roger Miles on 01206 396477 or email him at [r.j.miles@talktalk.net](mailto:r.j.miles@talktalk.net)

**ALL SAINTS CARE TEAM** If you need any help or would like someone to talk to, please contact a member of the church care team: Lynda Grote (co-ordinator) 07969 688710 or 01206 211384, Georgina Blight (co-ordinator, on holiday 27th July - 17th August) 01206 621576, Janette Miller 01206 421039, Shirley Hodges 01206 512381 or 07517 878782, Grace Lee 07881 822432, Lesley Southern 07895 074049.

**CHURCH STAFF SUMMER HOLIDAYS** Francis will be taking annual leave from 27<sup>th</sup> July – 17<sup>th</sup> August. The Church Manager Rachel will be on leave from 3<sup>rd</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> August. During the period when Francis and Rachel are both off, Joanna and Linda will be available to help you on the church office phone number and email.

**FRANCIS' INSTITUTION AS RECTOR** We are pleased to announce that the service at which Francis' will be instituted as Rector is planned for **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 7.30pm**. Please save the date. The service will be led by Roger Morris, Bishop of Colchester and the sermon will be given by Rod Thomas the Bishop of Maidstone.



The plans are coming together to hold a **DRIVE-IN SERVICE** in the Fordham Church car park on **Sunday 30th August, 6.00pm**. Francis will lead the service and Andy Jelfs will be preaching with an evangelistic focus. We will announce on Sunday 23rd August if the service is definitely going ahead with details of how to book. Please think and pray about who you might invite.

## Flexible Learning Modules 2020/21

<https://www.oakhill.ac.uk/flexible-learning/modules>

Oak Hill College are now offering individual modules or short courses online to help us grow in our Christian faith and love of God.

These modules allow you to join with students on site to listen and learn via Zoom and give you the freedom to focus on your learning from expert and experienced teaching staff without assessment associated with gaining formal credits. The courses are for those wanting to grow in faith, serve the church and reach the world.

For full information on the courses, content of the seminars and registration please visit the Oak Hill College website (link given above).

### Semester 1

**7th September - 18th December 2020** Closing date to apply 3rd August 2020

### Semester 2

**1st February - 21st May 2021** Closing date to apply 5th January 2021

#### Semester 1 Timetable

Advance Christian Leadership	Thursday 1.40pm - 5.30pm
Biblical Studies III (Old Testament)	Thursday 1.40pm - 3.25pm
Biblical Studies (Biblical Theology)	Monday 10.15am - 12noon
Church History I	Tuesday 1.40pm - 3.25pm
Doctrine II	Thursday 10.15am - 12noon
Doctrine of God	Monday 10.15am - 12noon
English Puritanism	Tuesday 10.15am - 12noon
Foundations of Cross Cultural Mission	Monday 3.45pm - 5.30pm
Induction to Christian Ethics	Thursday 1.40pm - 3.25pm
Introduction to the World Church	Monday 1.30pm - 3.25pm
Pauline Theology	Friday 8.10am - 9.55am
Scripture for Theology & Ministry	Sem 1 Monday 1.40pm - 3.25pm Sem 2 Thursday 10.15am - 12noon
Spiritual Formation in the Reformed Church	Monday 8.10am - 9.55 am
The Book of Isaiah	Friday 9.05am - 12noon
World Ministry II	Thursday 10.15am - 12noon
World View - Anthropology & Culture	Monday 10.15am - 12noon