

To know Jesus Christ and make Him known

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16TH 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: Roy Miller

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

Do you believe and trust in
God the Father?

**All: I believe in God, the Father
Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his
Son Jesus Christ?

**All: 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.**

Do you believe and trust in the
Holy Spirit?

**All: 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

Almighty and most merciful Father, we
are truly sorry:

For doing what we want and not what
you want and straying from your ways
like lost sheep.

All Father: **Please forgive us and help us
to obey you.**

For breaking your perfect laws in the
Bible, by not loving you with our whole
heart, and not loving other people as
ourselves.

All Father: **Please forgive us and help us
to obey you.**

For sinning against you by what we have
thought and said and done and by the
good things we have failed to do.

All Father: **Please forgive us and help us
to obey you. Amen**

COLLECT PRAYER

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;
and that they may obtain their petitions
make them to ask such things as shall please you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, Amen

THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD

The Lord's my Shepherd,
I'll not want.
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
His goodness restores my soul.
*And I will trust in You alone,
and I will trust in You alone,
for Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.*

DESCANT

*I will trust, I will trust in You.
I will trust, I will trust in You.
Endless mercy follows me,
goodness will lead me home.*

He guides my ways in righteousness,
and He anoints my head with oil,
and my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights.
And I will trust.....

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
for You are with me,
and Your rod and staff
are the comfort I need to know.
And I will trust....

Psalm 23
adapted by Stuart Townend
1996 Thankyou Music

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?
v=pN4tPkXOMGO](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pN4tPkXOMGO)



WILL YOUR ANCHOR HOLD

Will your anchor hold
in the storms of life,
when the clouds unfold
their wings of strife?
When the strong tides lift,
and the cables strain, will your
anchor drift, or firm remain?
*We have an anchor that keeps the soul,
steadfast and sure
while the billows roll;
fastened to the rock which cannot move,
grounded firm and deep
in the Saviour's love!*

Held secure by faith
in the saviours hands
shielded by his grace on
Christ we stand.
He is Lord of all
we should neve doubt
through uncertain times he is solid
ground
We have an anchor.....

You have carried us
through the raging sea
in the fire and flood we
stand redeemed
through the storms of life
you will not let go
this our confidence that our anchor holds
We have an anchor....
Priscilla Jane Owens (1829-1907)

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v=K9aNmoAHB8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K9aNmoAHB8)



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

NEXT SUNDAY 23RD AUGUST, 10.00AM

Fear & Doubt

Matthew's Gospel 14:22-36

Preacher: George Crowder

Leader: Francis Blight

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

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



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

children's teaching video during August.

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 26th 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 14TH 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 14th September 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 after the 17th August.

NOTICES



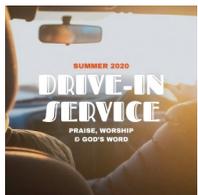
WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH A HAPPY BIRTHDAY to **Elisha Dabor** who will be seven on Wednesday and **Thomas Knight** who will be twelve on Thursday of this week. **CONGRATULATIONS** and have a great day gentleman!!

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

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.

FRANCIS' INSTITUTION AS RECTOR We are pleased to announce that the service at which Francis' will be instituted as Rector is planned for **Thursday 3rd 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