

To know Jesus Christ and make Him known

The **Church Office** is open for enquiries and assistance by telephone and email only

**Tuesday - Friday, 9.15am - 2.30pm**

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**SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2020**

**ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN**

**10.00AM MORNING SERVICE WITH LIVESTREAM**

*Running the Race of the Christian Life*

*(Philippians 3:7-16)*

*Preacher: Francis Blight, Leader: Nick Durlacher*



**PHILIPPIANS**  
KNOWING CHRIST UNITED IN CHRIST

**11.30 - 12.45PM ANUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**

Please join us for this year's APCM which will take place on Zoom because of COVID-19 social restrictions. The Zoom link and Agenda have been emailed to the church contact list.

**3.00 - 5.00PM ALL SAINTS CLUB ONLINE**

**SUNDAY AFTERNOONS**

**ALL SAINTS CLUB**

**ONLINE MINISTRY GROUPS FOR 4-15s!**

**3.00 - 3.45PM LUKE GROUP 4 - 11 YEARS**

**4.00 - 5.00PM MATTHEW GROUP 11 - 15 YEARS**

## BLESS THE LORD

*Bless the Lord O my soul*

*O my soul*

*Worship His Holy name*

*Sing like never before*

*O my soul*

*I'll worship Your Holy name*

The sun comes up  
It's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass  
And whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing  
When the evening comes  
*Bless the Lord O my soul...*

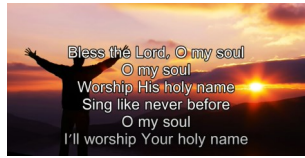
You're rich in love  
And You're slow to anger  
Your name is great  
And Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness  
I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons  
For my heart to find

*Bless the Lord O my soul...*

And on that day  
When my strength is failing  
The end draws near  
And my time has come  
Still my soul will  
Sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years  
And then forevermore  
*Bless the Lord O my soul...*

Words & Music by Matt Redman

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DXDGE\\_IRIOE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DXDGE_IRIOE)



## 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

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Leader:* Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God

**All:** Though he was divine, he did not cling to equality with God, but made himself nothing.

Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross.

Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen  
cf Philippians 2.6-11

**ALL I ONCE HELD DEAR  
(KNOWING YOU)**

All I once held dear,  
built my life upon,  
all this world reveres,  
and wars to own,  
all I once thought gain  
I have counted loss;  
spent and worthless now,

compared to this:

*Knowing You, Jesus,*

*knowing You,*

*there is no greater thing.*

*You're my all,*

*You're the best,*

*You're my joy, my righteousness,  
and I love You, Lord.*

Now my heart's desire  
is to know you more,  
to be found in You  
and known as Yours,  
to possess by faith  
what I could not earn,  
all-surpassing gift  
of righteousness

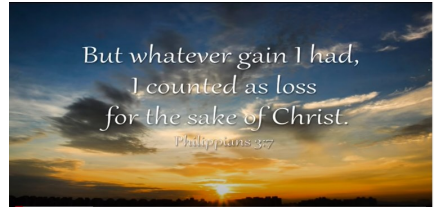
*Knowing You....*

Oh, to know the power  
of Your risen life,  
and to know You in  
Your sufferings,  
To become like You  
in Your death, my Lord,  
so with You to live  
and never die.

*Knowing You....*

*Graham Kendrick 1993 Make Way Music*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oxpPla-BskY>



**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.

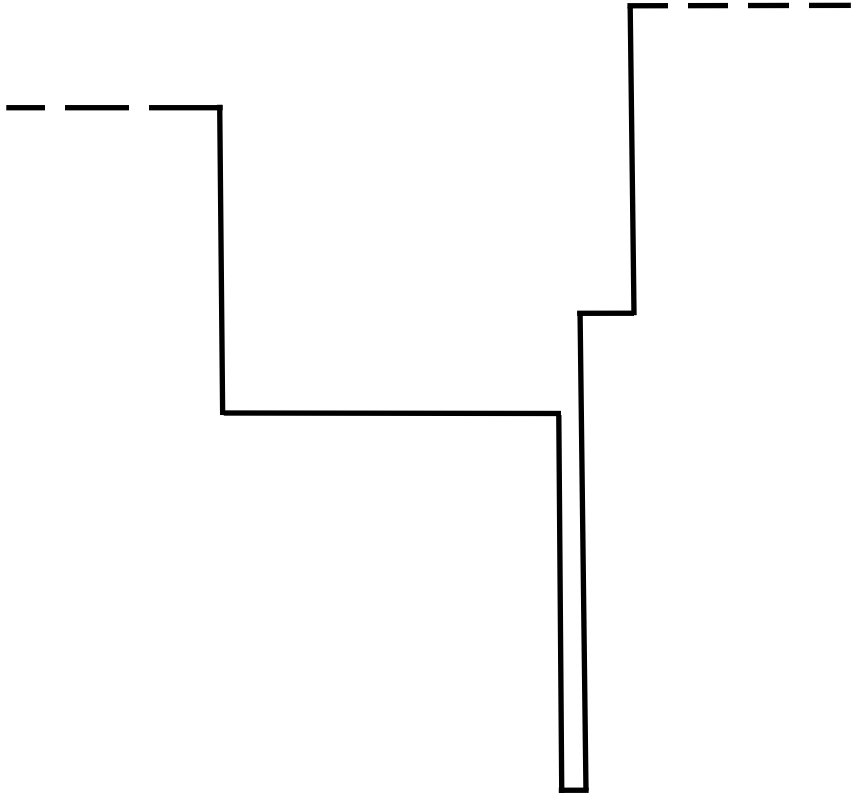
For the kingdom,  
the power and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.

Amen.

**COLLECT PRAYER**

O God, forasmuch as without you  
we are not able to please you;  
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit  
may in all things  
direct and rule our hearts;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our  
Lord. Amen

**TODAY'S TEACHING**  
**Running the Race of the Christian Life**  
**Philippians 3:7-16**



**NEXT SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER  
ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN  
10.00AM HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE WITH LIVESTREAM**

*Two Ways To Follow  
Philippians 3:17 - 4:1  
Preacher: Francis Blight  
Leader: Alistair Grote*



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

The Church Office will email the Zoom link during the week.

**ALL SAINTS CLUB ONLINE**

**3.00 - 3.45PM, LUKE GROUP 4 - 11 YEARS,** Jesus Storybook Bible

**4.00 - 5.00PM, MATTHEW GROUP 11 - 15 YEARS,** Philippians



A consent form is required from parents before children and young people can join the online Zoom sessions. For more details please contact Georgina Blight via the church office 01206 243261 [office@fordhamchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@fordhamchurch.org.uk)

## CHURCH NOTICES

**CHILDREN, YOUTH & SCHOOLS WORKER 2021** We give great thanks to God for his provision through the church family's generosity of pledges totalling £100,000 to fund this new post for an initial three years. We now move to the recruitment phase with paperwork to be produced and adverts to be placed. If you would like to work with Francis on this, please get in touch with him asap.

**PARENTS ZOOM TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER 8.00-9.00PM** As part of the youth and children's worker recruitment process, Francis invites parents with children aged under 19 in the church family, to join him on Zoom for an hour this coming Tuesday. This will be an informal opportunity to pray together for God's provision of the right person to join our church and build with us as (God willing) we come out of the COVID-19 restrictions in 2021. During the meeting Francis would like to hear what you would value in the new minister and their ministry to your children.

### **ALL SAINTS FORDHAM SCHOOL GOVERNOR**

Francis is looking for a member of the church family to join the school governing body as a foundation governor. You will join Francis and Mary Durlacher as fellow governors in the work of encouraging and developing the Christian Ethos of the school. The post is nominated by the PCC. If you would like to serve in this important role please get in touch with Francis.

**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, Lesley Southern (co-ordinator) 07895 074049, Janette Miller 01206 421039, Shirley Hodges 01206 512381 or 07517 878782, Grace Lee 07881 822432.



## **NOVEMBER PRAYER FOCUS WEDNESDAY 4th OCTOBER 19.30 - 21.15**

Join us on Zoom to pray for the progress and growth of our church family and ministries. Please note that this meeting will be on Wednesday evening to accommodate the autumn Christianity Explored course.  
The (Zoom link will be sent out on Tuesday 3rd Nov).

### **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)

## CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED ONLINE



CHRISTIANITY|EXPLORED

WHAT'S THE BEST NEWS  
YOU'VE EVER HEARD?

All Saints Church  
Fordham & Eight Ash Green

Begins Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October

19:30 - 21:00

online via Zoom

This seven week course examines three questions which cut to the heart of Christianity: Who is Jesus? What did he achieve? How should we respond? Each of the seven sessions is an opportunity to ask questions, no matter how simple or difficult you think they are.

**Registration** If you would like to join in please email [christianityexplored@fordhamchurch.org.uk](mailto:christianityexplored@fordhamchurch.org.uk) ideally by Tuesday 13th October. All we need is your name and postal address so that we can send you a free copy of the participants handbook for the course. We won't use your details beyond the administration of the course. Participants for this online course need to be 18+. This course will be led by Francis Blight and Irene Bale.

**Zoom** The course will run through Zoom. If you are unfamiliar with Zoom you will need to download the app and to spend a few minutes familiarising yourself with it <https://zoom.us/> You can use it on a computer or smart phone, but the experience is generally better on a computer because you have a bigger screen and the sound works better. A few days before the course begins, we will email you a link to the Zoom meeting.

**Explore** You can begin exploring right away on the Christianity Explored website [www.christianityexplored.org](http://www.christianityexplored.org) Here you will find engaging and helpful content in the *What is Christianity?*, *Tough Questions* and *Real Life Stories* sections. Further details are available on the church website <https://fordhamchurch.org.uk/>



### SAMARITAN'S PURSE: OPERATION CHRISTMAS

#### CHILD Helping in Jesus' name.

Just wrap a simple shoebox and pack with gifts suitable for a boy or girl and fuelled by your love and prayers it will bring great joy to a child in need. For further information including age groups and a list of items that may be included in your box of goodies visit: <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/> or contact Janette on 07730140894. Filled boxes can be dropped off at Kingsland Church (CO3 9DW), with a suggested donation of £5/box, between the 9th–16th November, opening times can be found on the above website.

