

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 8TH NOVEMBER 2020

ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN

10.00 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE - ONLINE ONLY

Psalm 120:1-7 & Luke 21:5-15

Preacher: Paul Southern, Leader: Francis Blight



Join us online to remember the sacrifices made by those who served to defend our nation and our freedoms. Particularly we will remember those from the villages of Fordham and Eight Ash Green who fought during the two World Wars.

11.00AM TWO ACTS OF REMEMBRANCE

**AT THE FLAGPOLE IN FRONT OF THE EIGHT ASH GREEN CHURCH &
AT THE FORDHAM WAR MEMORIAL**

The government has published a specific exemption permitting Acts of Remembrance to take place. If you plan to attend please read the guidance on the church website carefully

<https://fordhamchurch.org.uk/remembrance-sunday-2020/>

11.30 - 12.30PM VIRTUAL COFFEE TIME ON ZOOM

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

**PRAISE TO THE LORD,
THE ALMIGHTY**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
the King of creation;

O my soul, praise Him,
for He is thy health and salvation;
all ye who hear,
brothers and sisters, draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things
so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under His wings,
yea, so gently sustaineth: has thou not
seen? all that is needful hath been
granted in what He ordaineth.

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper
thy work, and defend thee!
surely His goodness and mercy
here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
who with His love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord!
O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath come now
with praises before Him! Let the amen
sound from His People again:
gladly for aye we adore Him.

Joachim Neander (1650-80)
Tr. Catherine Winkworth (1829-78)

CONFESSION OF OUR SINS

Leader: Almighty and merciful God,
Lord of men and nations, we confess
with shame the sins, both private
and public, by which we have broken
your law and grieved your Spirit.

We acknowledge the reproach
that war has brought upon
the name of Christ.

We say together

**All: We confess our lack of love
for you and for our fellow men.
For the sake of your Son,
who died for us, save us from our
sins. Take from us all hatred and
bitterness, whether in thought,
word or action. Teach us to forgive,
as we are forgiven,
so that we may grow more like him
and live our lives according
to your will.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

**WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDEROUS
CROSS**

When I survey the wonderful cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ my God:
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down:
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small,
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Issac Watts (1674-1748)

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**

THY KINGDOM COME O GOD

Thy kingdom come O God
Thy rule O Christ begin
Break with thine iron rod
The tyrannies of sin

Where is thy reign of peace
And purity and love?
When shall all hatred cease
As in the realms above?

When comes the promised time
The war shall be no more
When lust, oppression, crime
Shall flee thy face before?

We pray thee Lord arise
And come in thy great might
Revive our longing eyes
Which languish for thy sight

O'er lands both near and far
Thick darkness broodeth yet
Arise O Morning Star
Arise and never set.

Lewis Hensley (Public Domain)



TODAY'S TEACHING
Remembrance Sunday
Psalm 120:1-7 & Luke 21:5-15

**NEXT SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER
ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN
10.00AM MORNING SERVICE - ONLINE ONLY**

The Secret of Contentment

Philippians 4:10-13

Preacher: Francis Blight



11.30 - 12.30PM VIRTUAL COFFEE TIME ON ZOOM

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

NOTICES

CHURCH OFFICE During the lockdown there will be one member of staff in the church office from Tuesday to Thursday from 9:15am – 2:30pm. Please continue to make contact by telephone and by email but do not come to office unless you have made an arrangement before you come.

NO DRIVE-IN CHURCH DURING NOVEMBER Francis mentioned last Sunday that we hoped to have a Drive-In service this month. However having examined the new legislation published on Thursday this will not be possible. People are only permitted to leave their homes for specific activities. Travel is not permitted other than to listed places and to specified groups. Gathering for collective worship doesn't fit with any of the listed exemptions, so Drive-In Church wouldn't be permitted. We would like to have a Drive-In service as part of the Christmas programme.

CHRISTMAS PLANNING & PRAYER WEDNESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 8.00 - 9.15PM

We want to make the most of the Christmas season for building up our church family and sharing the message of Jesus with the wider community. Making plans under COVID-19 restrictions is challenging (!) so this will be an opportunity for anyone who is interested to join in for a planning and prayer time. If you would like to serve in some way over the Christmas season (contributing to a service, decorating the church, distributing publicity etc) it will be great to have your involvement. The meeting will be on Zoom. Please let the church office know if you would like to participate by lunchtime on Tuesday 17th Nov.

NOTICES

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 him 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 him.

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. The next Care Team Meeting will be on Tuesday 24th November 8.00 - 9.30pm.

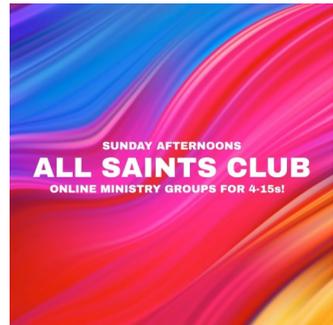
PRAYER DIARY Janette Miller has been producing the church prayer diary for five years and let Francis know a couple of months ago that she would like to step down from this ministry after the October edition. Francis writes: "My thanks go to Janette for the years of steady work on this. I have personally found the daily prayer points really helpful in my praying for the people and ministries of our church. I haven't yet found someone to take this ministry on, so there won't be a November edition. I give my apologies for this. Please pray with me that the right person can be found to continue this helpful ministry; someone who has the time each month, and appropriate skills and vision for the task."

ALL SAIINTS CLUB ONLINE The Club begins again on Sunday 22nd November.

3.00 - 3.45PM LUKE GROUP 4 - 11 YEARS

4.00 - 5.00PM MATTHEW GROUP 11-15 YEARS

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



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



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.



IDENTITY MATTERS

ONLINE CHRISTIAN INSTITUTE MEETING

Wed 11th or Thurs 12th November

God has definitely told us who we all are. We are made in his image, with inherent dignity. But we are also sinners by nature and choice, in rebellion against our Creator and in need of the salvation found only in Jesus Christ. Scripture also tells us that the primary identity of believers is in Christ. A biblical perspective on identity



determines how Christians should respond to many contemporary issues. We must resist **gender ideology**, which says that individuals can determine their own sex. We must stand for the **sanctity of all human life** as made in the image of God from conception. And we must defend **God's design for the family** that our gracious Father has given us. Join us as we think more about these themes.

Wednesday 11th November, 7.30-8.30pm

hosted by Chelmsford Baptist Church.

Zoom meeting ID: 953 6560 9603 Password: Identity

Thursday 12th November, 8.00 - 9.00pm

hosted by St John's Church, Werrington.

Zoom meeting ID: 961 0045 2295, Password: Identity

To join, **open Zoom**, then on the home screen **click join**, then use the meeting ID and password.



UK
DAY OF PRAYER

Friday 13 November | eauk.org/dayofprayer

evangelical alliance 
together making Jesus known

UK DAY OF PRAYER FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER

The Evangelical Alliance is calling UK churches to pray for the UK next Friday. You can find out more on their website and watch a short video from Gavin Calver the CEO of the Evangelical Alliance through this link www.eauk.org/dayofprayer As part of the day we plan to have a prayer meeting on Zoom over lunch time from 1 - 2pm. If you would like to join in please let the church office know. A Zoom link will be emailed out next Thursday.

