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Dear Friends,

As we slowly and carefully come out of the surreal (and from some tragic and anxious times) of the pandemic I am sure you, like me, may be thinking about what we have learnt amongst all the difficulties and uncertainties. A greater sense of community – people volunteering to help with the NHS, increased neighbourliness, and a heightened awareness of the vulnerable. We have discovered new ways of being Church, with our buildings closed we have found other ways of keeping together by telephone, zoom and recorded services online – although none of this is the same as being together. The importance of exercise and greeting people whilst on the move at a ‘safe distance’. We have learnt not to take people for granted – our NHS staff and other frontline workers like those who work in care homes, refuge collectors, those who work in supermarkets. However, we must also be sure that the future will bring us further challenges as we come to terms with the consequences for our economy and personal prospects. That may well mean we have to continue to adjust our sights and to lower our expectations – not forgetting that we still have so much to be grateful for. As Christians we are reminded that God remains in the midst of us wanting to sustain, inspire, resource and equip us for the future that lies ahead. The Bible tells us that He does not leave us abandoned but equips us with his Spirit to rise to the challenge that lies around the corner. May you know God’s wisdom, peace, and strength as you journey on.

Please be assured of my love and prayers

Fr Andrew



PLEASE CONTINUE TO BOOK YOUR ATTENDANCE AT SERVICES: 01305 779063

ANNUAL PARISH CHURCH MEETING

This will take place in Holy Trinity church on Sunday 23rd May 11.30am. The meeting will be much shorter than usual because of the government’s restrictions.

CHURCH GIVING: Giving has reached an ALL TIME LOW as we have had fewer services. We ask church members, whether you are attending at present, or not, to keep up your financial giving to Holy Trinity.

If you already give and would be so kind as to increase your giving, we would really appreciate it.
THANK YOU

GRANT FUNDING FOR REPAIRS AND REORDERING.

An expression of interest has been put together after quite a few weeks of consultation with county and local organisations as well as parishioners to ascertain if the National Heritage Lottery Fund would be interested in funding some of the work on the church and reordering. We have no idea whether we have any chance of receiving funding at this stage as many other organisations are also looking for funds to preserve their heritage and serve their communities more effectively. We wait and see!

ADULT ALTAR SERVERS: If anyone male or female are interested in helping the priest during Sunday services. To find out more contact the vicar. Details on the back of this newsletter.

LOOKING AHEAD

‘PipeUp’ Scheme: This free event is taking place at Holy Trinity church on Saturday 17th July from 10am –4pm. This is an opportunity for young people across the Diocese of Salisbury to receive organ tuition from qualified teachers at a reduced rate, courtesy of generous funding from the Tindall Trust and the Michael James Music Trust.

A WEEKEND OF MUSIC is being planned for Holy Trinity church from the 27th – 29th August. The event will involve music from the Ravenscroft singers and joining our own Trinity choir other visitors from other choirs in the area. The weekend



will see a culmination of music at a full CHORAL EVENSONG Friday 27th August and a CHORAL EUCHARIST on Sunday 29th August.

ASCENSION DAY

There will be a Sung Eucharist at Holy Trinity on this important solemnity of the Church. The service will begin at 11am. Everyone is welcome. Please remember to book on the booking line 01305 779063.

LIVE STREAMING SERVICES: We have been experimenting with different equipment so that we can send our Sunday services out to people unable to get to church live. Because of the structure of Holy Trinity church, it is proving a challenge which

we are slowly conquering. Apologies to those who have been unable to access or take part in the live services because of various technical issues. Be assured that for the next few weeks until we are confident that we can meet expectations, the Vicar will pre record the Sunday Eucharist and sermon and you can take part with him in worship on Youtube, Facebook or via the church website www.holytrinityweymouth.org.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION:

Communion is now offered at Holy Trinity church at all Eucharistic celebrations. It continues to be administered in one kind at present. For those who wish to take communion we ask that you follow the instructions on the Sunday pew sheets. However, for those who feel the time is not yet right for them please be assured that it is quite in order to continue to receive spiritual communion.

HOLY TRINITY ON THE HERITAGE TRAIL

A HERITAGE trail has been created showcasing key historical landmarks - as the 450th anniversary of Weymouth officially being merged with Melcombe Regis is celebrated. Weymouth BID, also known as We Are Weymouth, has installed six custom designed paving slabs throughout the town as part of the Heritage Trail - a walking route exploring the history of the town. The slabs have been designed by Ned Heywood of Heritage Ceramics, a supplier of natural floor stones, using artwork provided by Weymouth Museum. Holy Trinity church has a paving slab on the pavement outside the church and it has already brought interest into the church.



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 10 – 16 May

Because of the pandemic we will be unable to collect for Christian Aid in the usual way. However, in church on the 9th May there will be a plate at the back of the church for people's donations. If you are unable to get to church and would like to donate, please contact the Parish Office 01305 760354 and we will advise you how best to proceed. This years giving is to be largely used to fund covid vaccines for poorer countries of the world.

COMING OUT OF LOCKDOWN ROADMAP The government continue to provide the nation with a roadmap to normality. On the 17th May further restrictions will be lifted. It is planned that by the 21st June all remaining rules stopping people mixing together will be lifted. It is lovely to see people

slowly coming back to church. We miss you all and want to see you as soon as you feel able .



THY KINGDOM COME 13- 23 May

We are being encouraged to take part in praying "Thy Kingdom Come" this year, and we hope that our own church community and friends will commit to dedicate time in the days between Ascension and Pentecost to pray 'Come Holy Spirit' for God's kingdom to come. We are encouraged to pray for 5 people. This year especially we will also be remembering those who have suffered because of the pandemic, those who may feel lost or left out because of the need to use technology, but also remembering the huge numbers of people who have joined in and tasted the Love of Christ and seen the work of the church to help and care.

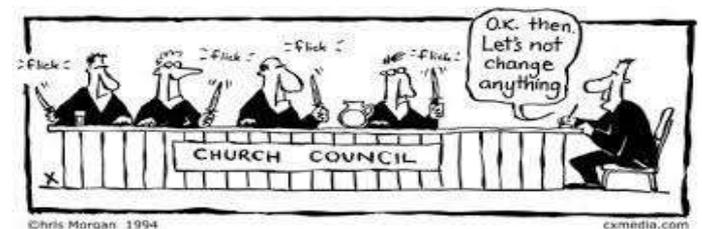
How can I be Involved? This year we are praying in our own homes, maybe going for a prayer walk or praying virtually on-line together.

HRH THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH It was with sadness that we received the news of Prince Philip's death recently. A special tribute was held in church at the end of the Parish Eucharist on the 11th April and Holy Trinity church sent a message of condolence via the online portal. We pray for our Queen and the Royal Family.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES:

On Sunday 18th July at the 10am Parish Eucharist The Right Reverend Stephen Venner (formerly Vicar of Holy Trinity) will preside, preach, and dedicate three new eucharistic chairs or Sedilia in memory of the late Reverend Anne Dunn. Anne was a faithful member of Holy Trinity as churchwarden, Reader, and latterly locally ordained priest. Many will remember her with great affection. It would be good to welcome everyone to this service. We also look forward to her sons Chris, Stephen and Andrew with their families being with us in church.

CHURCH HUMOUR!



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