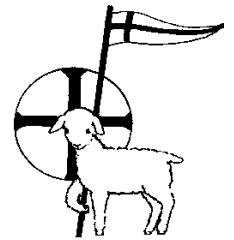


Church of St John the Baptist, Tisbury

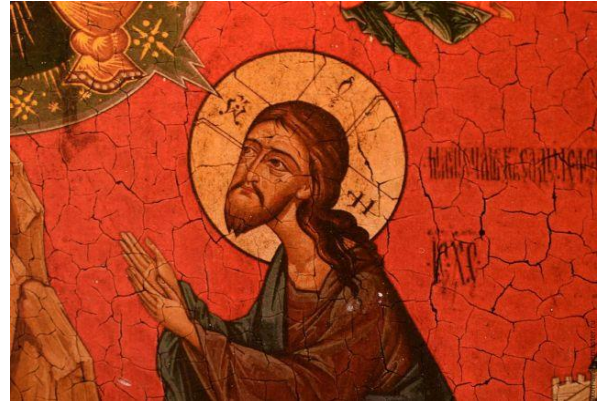
reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 21st June 2020 The Second Sunday after Trinity

We can rejoice that churches and cathedrals can now be open (at regulated times) for private prayer and contemplation. St John's, Tisbury, is open Sundays 12noon-4pm and Holy Trinity, Fonthill Gifford, is open Saturdays 10am-12noon.

I was in Salisbury on Friday afternoon and hoped to sit quietly in this wondrous cathedral. Unfortunately, I had missed its opening times. It is open Mon-Sat 10am-2pm & Sundays 11.30am-2pm in case you would like to visit for prayer and contemplation.



Extract from 'Dark'
Malling Abbey Church

Here in the dark
do not speak.
Only listen, hold your peace
and wait for the wordless gift:
the lifting of the lark's voice,
choice and sweet,
repeating its high note of love,
speaking your name,
calling you over and over
again.
Do not speak.

Nicola Slee, *Praying Like a Woman*,
(London: SPCK, 2004), p43.

Private prayer can sound isolating, but we are not alone. It is really about bringing ourselves, just as we are, into the presence of God. This can be done anywhere - in our homes, in our gardens, or on a walk, but for many of us there is also the draw of a sacred building set aside for the worship of God, where the sacraments have been celebrated and the Word of God proclaimed, where saints and wars are remembered and prayers have been said for centuries. A place where we can be quiet, away from the distractions of home and phone. And there we can bring our burdens and those of the world we dwell in and lay them down at the cross. God is with us and we bring in our hearts those we love, those we have lost, those in trouble, those who are sick, those being born and those dying. Here too we can be quiet and just listen... listen to the 'still, small voice of God.' Churches are places of spiritual connection with our world, with God and our deeper selves.

Revd Juliette Hulme

Today at 9.30am

President: The Revd Juliette Hulme
Hymns: *Morning has broken; I heard the voice of Jesus say; Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation*

Benefice Communion

Preacher: Leila Mather

Services during the week are listed on the next page

Next Sunday, 28th June

The Third Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Benefice Communion

We are delighted to welcome as our preacher next Sunday the Rt Revd Humphrey Southern, Principal of Ripon College, Cuddesdon, and former Team Rector of the Nadder Valley Benefice
President: The Revd Mark Hayter

In memoriam

We give thanks for the lives of **Pauline Chivers** and **Stella Smith** and we pray for their families and friends in their loss.

Opening of the church for private prayer and contemplation – Sundays 12.00-4.00

We are delighted that permission has been given for churches to open for private prayer and contemplation, albeit with various restrictions designed to keep everyone safe, as far as possible, from infection with the Covid-19 virus. The church will be open on Sundays between 12 noon and 4.00 pm. Please follow the directions of those stewarding and the directives on notices at the church regarding social distancing and other measures.

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The Collect for the Second Sunday after Trinity

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 20.7-13

The Gospel: Matthew 10.24-39

'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.'

Services online in the Nadder Valley Benefice

You are very welcome to join us online via Zoom for any of our services, using the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84966332040>

Password: 039012

Sundays at 09.30

Mon 08.30, Tues-Thur 08.00, Sat 09.00

Fridays at 08.00

Wednesdays at 10:00

Mon-Sat at 17.30

Benefice Communion (CW)

Morning Prayer

Holy Communion (BCP)

Holy Communion (CW)

Evening Prayer

If you don't have internet access, you can join by phone on 0203 051 2874. The meeting code is 849 6633 2040; you may be asked for the password, too: 039012

Calls are charged at national rate, but they may be included in your telephone package.

The orders of service for Benefice Communion / Holy Communion can be obtained via email from the parish administrator (contact details overleaf).

Orders of service for Morning and Evening Prayer may be found online at <http://tinyurl.com/w8frb6r>

If you need support

As always, the Revd Juliette Hulme (Parish Priest) is available to give pastoral and spiritual support (see over)

Tisbury Neighbourhood Response may be phoned on 01747 684010

Other useful numbers with trained listeners (calls to these numbers are free):

The Samaritans 116 123

Childline 0800 1111

Domestic Abuse Helpline 0808 2000 247

Silverline (age 55+) 0800 4 70 80 90

Thank you very much to those who have continued to give regularly to the church by direct debit or standing order, and to those who have made donations during Lockdown. Although currently we cannot worship in the church, expenditure continues! If you normally give by other means, you might like to consider making a donation by cheque (payable to Tisbury PCC – via the Parish Office, Hinton Hall) or by bank transfer (details from the Parish Administrator). Or why not consider joining the Parish Giving Scheme or setting up a standing order? Details from Paul Naish, 01747 870731 / 07587 072900, email sitgiftaid@gmail.com