Holy Trinity Church Newsletter September 2020

Dear Friends,

Here we are in September, the summer is slipping away and the nights are getting longer.

Few of us have been away from home on holiday this year and we all long to "get back to normal".

But the times are not "normal" and the virus has not gone away.

Some people seem to think that if they forget about the virus and the precautions recommended, it will all go away.

Others do try to remember but forget when they meet a friend or take part in a familiar activity.

But social distancing and the wearing of face coverings will only keep us safe if we are consistent in their use.

So often I have seen people outside Tesco chatting to a friend they have chanced to meet. No masks and less than one metre apart! When they were in the shop they wore their face coverings, outside it's as if they don't matter.

Face coverings have also become a focus for people's frustration at the restrictions governing our lives just now. But we are asked to wear them to protect others. Your mask protects me, my mask protects you.

Jesus said to his Disciples, "Love one another as I have loved you." We wear our face coverings as a sign of love.

Soon we hope to meet together in our church building and social distancing and the wearing of face coverings will be essential. Let's do that with the grace and love that Our Lord expects of us.

God bless, stay safe, Linda Walls Lay Reader.



The re-opening of our church building

The Vestry have been busy the last few weeks getting the church ready for our first service. Bishop Andrew has been advising all the churches in the Diocese of the necessary steps to take to follow the Government Guidelines.

We have had several vestry meetings via Zoom on the internet and have also met online with Bishop Andrew and other clergy who are preparing to re-open their buildings.

We hope to have our first service at Holy Trinity Church on Sunday 27th September with Bishop Andrew preaching and celebrating. There will be another newsletter nearer the time giving more details of how this will be organised.

New website

Holy Trinity now has a new website that can be accessed at

www.holytrinitymonifiethsec@btck.co.uk

The old site no longer works so do have a look for the new one if you haven't seen it yet.

Enza Gibson is kindly running this for us and has added some interesting features.

Facebook

Holy Trinity also has a Facebook page, you can find it on Facebook at Holy Trinity Church Monifieth.

There is something to read on it most days and last month it reached 1148 people!

Services

Services continue on Zoom for the first three Sundays in September