

Holy Trinity Church Newsletter

November 2020

Dear Friends,

November is the month of remembering.

On Sunday 1st November we celebrate All Saints Day remembering those saints from long ago and those of more recent times.

The following day is All Souls Day when we remember the departed. Those who are now with the Saints in Heaven.

On Sunday 8th November Bishop Andrew will lead our service on Remembrance Sunday, when we remember those who have died in wars and other conflicts.

As the days get shorter and we enter into another time of increased restrictions in movement, due to the Covid19, it's easy to feel gloomy and dispirited.

But as we remember our loved ones departed, at this time, we can also remember the difficult times that they lived through.

The Global Pandemic is the first worldwide calamity that most of us have faced in our lives.

Those of us born after the Second World War have been sheltered from an all encompassing danger.

Some people been faced with disasters and conflicts but not everyone at the same time.

Our parents and grandparents did face global calamities – The First World War, The Spanish Flu, The Great Depression, The Second World War. But they faced up to them and we can remember their courage and fortitude.

We will get through our time of trouble too.

Holy Trinity has been a source of comfort and inspiration for Episcopalians in Monifieth for more than 100 years.

God is always with us in good times and bad.

Let's remember at this time and at all times Jesus words, "I am with you always, to the end of the age".

God Bless

Linda Walls Lay Reader.

Live Streaming Services

We hope to start live streaming the Sunday Service on Facebook. If you can't be with us in the church then do try us at 10.30am on the Holy Trinity Church Monifieth Facebook page. If you are not on Facebook perhaps a friend or relative can show you the service later on their device.

Remembrance Sunday

Please book your place for this service on Sunday 8th November as seats may go quickly. Email Linda on linda@fswalls.org

Harvest Appeal

The Harvest Appeal in aid of The Angus Food Bank raised £200. Thank you to all who contributed to this vital organisation.

News from the Vestry

The Vestry have met regularly over the past month, keeping up to date with the changes in guidance with reference to Covid. The Sunday morning services are going well with a regular average attendance of 15. Vestry members have been taking the various necessary roles allowing for the service to flow well with a rota now having been set up to cover these.

AGM the decision was made to defer the AGM as per guidance. This guidance asked that the membership of the Vestry remain as it is at present in order to give consistency. This was agreed; Accounts and reports will be distributed as widely as possible chiefly being given out at church as per usual

Communication and Worship With the return to worshipping in church, the Vestry has looked at different ways to reach out to folk who were regularly attending the Zoom services but were not able to come to church. It was decided to try live streaming on Facebook (see Linda's note above). This was tried last Sunday and seems to have been well received.

It is hoped to have some sort of midweek, evening Zoom service beginning in Advent. The pew sheets will return to being given out at church with weekly notices. These will also be posted on the website as was previously done. Those who have no access to the internet will now return to receiving correspondence by post.

Partnership Group. Work is progressing well and an advert is going into the Church Times on Friday 13th November. Derek is sending out a separate update.

Services Sunday 10.30am

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