



Christ Church Notice Sheet 10 May 2020

Covid-19 Outreach Support team

Christ Church has assembled a small, flexible group of volunteers to support vulnerable and self-isolating parishioners in a variety of ways - from shopping and collecting prescriptions to phone support and sending letters. For more information, see the church website or email christchurch-covid19-outreach@outlook.com

Feeding the 5000 is also a source of support for those who need food, visit this webpage for information on how to order meals or donate to the project:

<https://www.gloucester.anglican.org/2020/feeding-the-5000/>

Diocese of Gloucester Podcast



This is an ongoing fortnightly series, new for our Diocese this May 2020. Churches and leaders throughout the Diocese of Gloucester will be involved in producing episodes.

<https://www.gloucester.anglican.org/2020/listen-to-the-new-diocese-of-gloucester-podcast/>

Simon Says

Rev. Simon has a new message for Christ Church: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EPO18zCvP6o>

Discipleship Encouragement

Tearfund has published a survey showing one in 20 adults started to pray during the lockdown, despite not praying before. The survey also showed that a quarter of adults in the UK have watched or listened to a religious service since the lockdown. Praise God!

https://www.tearfund.org/en-WS/media/press_releases/many_brits_look_to_faith_during_lockdown/

BSL resources



Visit www.christianbsl.com for the collection of worship resources in BSL that have been produced since March. On 1 May the rest of the site was officially launched, with wide ranging Christian vocabulary items to explore.

Ascension Day event on Leckhampton Hill cancelled this year

But **Thy Kingdom Come** has a range of resources to help with prayers at this time. This worldwide prayer initiative starts at Pentecost (31 May) and runs to Ascension (21 June).

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/stories/thy-kingdom-come-2020-plans-year>

Opportunities for Prayer

Andrew Judge leads a **Morning Prayer** service Monday-Friday 9-9.30am, and Anna Laszlo is holding another **Prayer Meeting** on Monday 11th May at 8.15pm, both on Zoom - contact Andrew and Anna for more details.

Text to support Christ Church

You can give by texting CHURCH, plus the amount you would like to donate (up to £20), to 70450. So to give £5, text CHURCH 5 to 70450, or to give £20, text CHURCH 20 to 70450. This service costs your donation plus your standard message rate. Thank you!

GIVE THANKS

As we celebrate the 75th Anniversary of V.E. Day, for the Peace and Cooperation that has endured and developed in Europe since the end of the Second world war

For Queen Elizabeth who as Defender of the Faith has inspired us by her words, compassion and faithfulness

For those who since the beginning of the Covid 19 outbreak have faithfully served their local communities: Supermarket workers, refuse collectors, delivery drivers, posties, workers in social care and all in the NHS.

For those members of our church who have put time, energy and love into messaging, streaming services and delivering groceries.

For the Christian Arts Festival and for all Christians who share their faith through art and music.

PRAY

For the work of Christian Aid ministering to those in need throughout the world. Pray for a generous financial response in this Christian Aid week.

For the work of Chaplains in the NHS and in prisons.

For all who are lonely or anxious, sick and in hospital, and for the bereaved

For the discovery of an effective vaccine to deal with the virus.

For the sick: Manal Al-Badish, Julia Bamford, Kim Caswell, Ghazi Chehaib, June Eddershaw, Mary Edwards, Tina Holland, Rose Marville, Roger Millard, Sue Potter, Steve Osmond, Daphne Simpson, Rosemary Singer, William Staight, Anne Standish, Jane Weston and Keith White.

"pray continually" - 1 Thessalonians 5:17 (NIV)