

Tuesday Night Prayers and Reflections

From July Tuesday Night Prayers and Reflections will be fortnightly rather than weekly on July 14th and July 28th.

St Giles Church
Together in Spirit
on Sunday
July 5th 2020



Readings, Prayers and Notices for this week

Today's Gospel Reading

Matthew 11: 16 – 19 and 25 – 30

'To what can I compare this generation? They are like children sitting in the market-places and calling out to others:

"We played the pipe for you,
and you did not dance;
We sang a dirge,
and you did not mourn."

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon." The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners." But wisdom is proved right by her deeds.

The Father revealed in the Son

At that time Jesus said, 'I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

'All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.'

Please keep in touch!

Although the parish office is closed, Penny can still access telephone messages and emails

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Today's Bible Reading

Zachariah 9: 9 – 12

The coming of Zion's king

Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!
Shout, Daughter Jerusalem!
See, your king comes to you,
righteous and victorious,
lowly and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
I will take away the chariots from
Ephraim
and the war-horses from Jerusalem,
and the battle-bow will be broken.
He will proclaim peace to the nations.
His rule will extend from sea to sea
and from the River to the ends of
the earth.
As for you, because of the blood of
my covenant with you,
I will free your prisoners from the
waterless pit.
Return to your fortress, you prisoners
of hope;
even now I announce that I will
restore twice as much to you.

Collect for Today

**Gracious Father, by the
obedience of Jesus you
brought salvation to our
wayward world: draw us into
harmony with your will that
we may find all things
restored in him, our Saviour
Jesus Christ.**



Prayers for our Parish

For those who mourn:

Vince Taylor
Brenda Gibbs
Sylvia Williamson
Coral French
Ann Hammonds
Irene Davis
Jenny Tedds
Joyce Elliott
Margaret Wagstaff
John Simmons

For God's healing love:

Roy Edwards
Andy Burton
June Plumb
Jan Leivers
Edna Leighton
Sharon Neale
Nan Bellew
Pauline Skelcher
Maureen Mason
Lara
Shirley Phillips
Florence
Caleb
Job

Prayers for the World

Pray for the Church throughout the world thinking especially of the Church in South Sudan and for the work of Tearfund's staff and partners.

Pray for the Churches in our Diocese, for Bishops Christopher and John and the clergy in the Nuneaton and Bedworth Deanery.

Pray for all in authority that they may be conscious of the weight on their shoulders and that they will act responsibly.

As our children start to go back to school pray for those who will be making new starts in September, especially for those who will be moving to Secondary School. Pray for our friends at St Giles that they will come safely through this difficult time.

Pray for those who are. Give thanks for those who have recovered and for the skill of all the medical staff working so hard at this time. When deaths are recorded as numbers, pray for those who have died and for the bereaved as every single death involves great suffering.

**May the Lord bless us and watch over us,
The Lord make his face to shine upon us
And be gracious to us.
May the Lord look kindly upon us and give us peace.**

Amen

