

PARISH NOTICES

also see www.chidhamandhambrook.info

All church meetings and events are cancelled unless you hear to the contrary

The Foodbank

At this stressful time, the local foodbank especially needs your donations. You can make a donation at <https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-involved/ways-to-give/>. Alternatively, if you would like to give food, they particularly need Tinned Vegetables, Instant Mash/tinned Potatoes, Tinned Meat, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Rice Pudding/custard, Cleaning Products, Toilet Rolls. Please leave your donations at your Supermarket - Waitrose, Tesco, Sainsbury's have facilities.

Keeping gravestones tidy: Denise Bowerman has kindly offered, on request, to tidy up gravestones or memorial stones in Chidham churchyards for people who cannot visit at the present time. If you would like Denise' help, please 'phone her on 576981.

Live streamed service from the Cathedral 9.30am Sunday
<https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/worship/live-service>

Cathedral News: <https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/news>

Public worship in the Cathedral
<https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/worship/guidance-public-worship>

For Covid support information also go to <https://www.chidhamandhambrook.info/> or <https://www.chichester.gov.uk/coronavirus>

If you have something for the pewslip, contact Stephen Johnson Tel 572059 or email pskjohanson2000@gmail.com

In July, we remember

Yvonne Marjorie Millen, James Hunter Cameron,
Douglas Edward Hands, Arthur Edgar Cooper

The readings for Sunday July 26 th	Seventh Sunday after Trinity
First Reading	Genesis 29.15-28
Psalm	105
Second Reading	Romans 8.26-39
Gospel Reading	Matthew 13.31-33,44-52.

THE PARISH OF CHIDHAM

July 19th, 2020

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

The Weekly Pew Slip

There will be no Church services until further notice
(Coronavirus precautions)

St Mary's Church is closed, except for private prayer on Wednesday (from 10am to 12noon) and Saturday (from 2pm to 4pm). Please maintain social distancing, use the hand sanitiser provided and the one way system for entry and exit.

We hope you would like to follow the weekly prayers and Bible readings

Hymns: Here are some links to some hymns for today

- 777 To God be the glory** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-15v9iworAU>
510 Morning has broken https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PgQb_OV21QE
507 Meekness and Majesty <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4tK1hQpacs8>
43 As the deer pants <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MAdSQ-luGKw>
36 And can it be? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sQeIGbKgiw8>

A contribution from the Occasional Choir <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L9zqg5qrNGw>

Deidre wanted to do her bit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PhRa3REdozw>

The Parish is currently in Vacancy

During the Vacancy please contact the Churchwarden,
Willem van Niekerk, 1 Caspian Close, Fishbourne, PO18 8AY
Tel 07960305427

Church Warden :Willem van Niekerk
Church Warden and Treasurer : Carol Vigor



Collect

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading

Genesis 28.10-19a

Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Haran. When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. There above it stood the LORD, and he said: "I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it." He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven." Early the next morning Jacob took the stone he had placed under his head and set it up as a pillar and poured oil on top of it. He called that place Bethel.

Psalm

Psalm 139.1-11,23-24

O Lord, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

You mark out my journeys and my resting place and are acquainted with all my ways.

For there is not a word on my tongue, but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

You encompass me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, so high that I cannot attain it.

Where can I go then from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?

If I climb up to heaven, you are there; if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.

If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

Even there your hand shall lead me, your right hand hold me fast.

If I say, 'Surely the darkness will cover me and the light around me turn to night,'

Even darkness is no darkness with you; the night is as clear as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike.

Search me out, O God, and know my heart; try me and examine my thoughts.

See if there is any way of wickedness in me and lead me in the way everlasting.

Second Reading

Romans 8.12-25

Dear brothers and sisters, you are under no obligation at all to do what your sinful nature urges you to do. For if you keep on following it, you will perish. But if, through the power of God, you turn from it and its evil deeds, you will live. continued

For all who are led by the spirit of God are children of God. So you should not be like cowering, fearful slaves. You should behave instead like God's very own children, adopted into his family - calling him 'Father, dear father'. For his Holy Spirit speaks to us deep in our hearts and tells us that we are God's children. And since we are his children, we will share his treasures - for everything God gives his Son is ours too. But if we share his glory, we must also share his suffering. Yet what we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory he will give us later. For all creation is waiting eagerly for that future day when God will reveal who his children really are. Against its will, everything on earth was subjected to God's curse. All creation anticipates the day when it will join God's children in glorious freedom from death and decay. For we know that all creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. And even we Christians, although we have the Holy Spirit within us as a foretaste of future glory, also groan to be released from pain and suffering. We too wait anxiously for that day when God will give us our full rights as his children, including the new bodies he has promised us. Now that we are saved, we eagerly look forward to this freedom. For if you already have something, you don't need to hope for it. But if we look forward to something we don't yet have, we must wait patiently and confidently.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13.24-30,36-43

Jesus told a story to the crowd: "The kingdom of heaven is like a farmer who planted good seed in his field. But that night, as everyone slept, his enemy came and planted weeds among the wheat. When the crops began to grow and produce again, the weeds also grew. "The farmer's servants came and told him, "Sir, the field where you planted that good seed is full of weeds!" "An enemy has done it" the farmer exclaimed. "Shall we pull out the weeds?" they asked. He replied, "No, you'll hurt the wheat if you do that. Let both grow together until the harvest. Then I will tell the harvesters to sort out the weeds and burn them and to put the wheat in the barn." Then, leaving the crowds outside, Jesus went into the house. His disciples said, "Please explain the story of the weeds in the field." "All right", Jesus said, " I, the Son of Man, am the farmer who plants the good seed. The field is the world, and the good seed represents the people of the kingdom. The weeds are the people who belong to the evil one. The enemy who plants the weeds among the wheat is the devil. The harvest is the end of the world, and the harvesters are the angels. "Just as the weeds are separated out and burned, so it will be at the end of the world. I, the Son of Man, will send my angels, and they will remove from my kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil, and they will throw them into the furnace and burn them. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the godly will shine like the sun in their Father's kingdom. Anyone who is willing to hear should listen - and understand".