

# Welcome

## BCD Churches

### The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

### 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021

#### BCD WORSHIP

**From Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** BCD churches will reopen for public worship on a weekly rotational basis, starting with **Botley** followed by Curdridge and Durley. The service will take place at 11.30am each week whilst the zoom service continues each week at 10.00am. We will use the service booklet that we use for the Zoom service. It will not be a service of Holy Communion and neither will there be singing.

There will be a maximum of 20 people allowed to attend. Please contact Karen in the Parish office by **TELEPHONE ONLY** on 01489 782445 to let us know that you wish to attend. 5 of the places will need to remain open for those who turn up on the day. Please remember that if you have not arrived by 11.30am, your place may be given to anyone waiting to come in who has not booked.

**Curdridge Church** is open for private prayer on Tuesdays from 1 – 3pm and Thursdays from 10am to midday.

**Durley Church** will be open for private prayer from 10am – 4pm on Saturdays and Sundays every weekend from 2<sup>nd</sup> May until 26<sup>th</sup> September.

#### Sunday readings:

Acts 8.26-end

John 15.1-8

#### BCD Church Finances and plate offerings

Many thanks if you are helping to support the church by making your usual offering by bank transfer, it is much appreciated. Kindly add in the “reference” box “**Weekly offering**”.

Church	Account Name	Sort Code	Account number
All Saints' Botley	All Saints' PCC Botley	08.92.99	65623477
St Peter's Curdridge	PCC of Curdridge	30.90.85	00633120
Holy Cross Durley	PCC Durley	30.90.85	00047280

## FOOD BANK

If you are able to help by making donations, please do as the food banks are still in great demand. Any donations of food and toiletries are gratefully received. The boxes for collection are outside each church for donations and will be collected in due course.

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## Window Cross

The window cross at All Saints', Botley is being sponsored by Alan Hansford for May, in memory of a wonderful friend Veronica Jackson.



## Vaccines in developing countries

A campaign primarily run by Unicef, is being launched called 'Vaccinaid' with the slogan 'Give the World a Shot'. This aims for two billion doses of vaccines to be shared between 190 countries by the end of 2021. It has input from government departments, the NHS and faith groups. It helps us to show our gratitude for our vaccines by making a small donation to a fund to help people in low- and middle-income countries to receive one. Donations can be made on this website:

[crowdfunder.co.uk/unicef](https://crowdfunder.co.uk/unicef)

Christian Aid are also running a similar scheme to enable people to 'twin' their vaccine with someone in a developing country, to help the poorest people around the globe.

Visit [www.christianaid.org.uk](https://www.christianaid.org.uk) to donate.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please continue to remember all NHS staff in your prayers, doctors, nurses, carers, support staff and all key workers. Also, all staff and people in care homes, especially our local ones.

Our headteachers, Kirstie, Sally, Tamsin and Joe and all school staff.

**RIP** Len Davies

## The sick

Christopher Browne, Godfrey White, Wendy Lewis, Joan & Stan Hoare, Lena, Jeanette Collett, Tony Higham, Elizabeth Denholm & Jane.

## Housebound

David Williamson, Jean Wakeford, Beryl Cook, Ron Chilcott, Donald Taylor, Geoff Gamblin, Mary Walsh, John Cooper, Jill Hutchings & Nora Martin.

## Bishop's Lent Appeal 2021

God's Creation: his world and his people. We will be continuing the focus on the Environment and our God-given responsibility for the care and sustaining of the world, its resources and its people as we did in 2020. This year we will again support A Rocha, the international charity and specifically their project in Ghana to educate, preserve and reinstate environmental damage that has already occurred, and a local charity making a difference in our neighbourhood.

'Jesus Christ did not say, 'Go into all the world and tell the world that it is quite right'.

**C S Lewis – God in the Dock**

## The Watering Hole

### Your invitation to drink from the Scriptures

This is the strapline for the Bible Society's new Bible Course, presented by Dr Andrew Ollerton. Within the Bible Series you will find a Youth series, a Spoken Word series, a Testimony series and Sermon videos. There is even a Bible Trek, visiting key locations found in the Old and New Testaments, from Hezekiah's tunnel to Jesus' hometown.

To find out more visit:

<https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/>

or contact Janet Clarke through the Church Office.

The Bible Society also offers a devotional subscription, posted through your door every two months, containing "creative resources"...to "help you grow deep spiritual roots so you can flourish in your walk with God."

This is for a £10 monthly donation which, if you do not want to receive it, you could gift to a family member, friend or neighbour. For more information: [biblesociety.org.uk/rooted](https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/rooted).

Interested in volunteering to take part in a Bible Digitisation Project? If you are "patient, accurate and can use a computer to copy older [Bible] translations word by word..." then this is for you. Email Volunteer Enquiries: [volunteers@missionassist.org.uk](mailto:volunteers@missionassist.org.uk)

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## Botley Porch

When you are passing through Botley, please take a look in the church foyer where you will see an excellent display of artwork produced by talented members of our congregation. This will be changed weekly. If you have anything you would like to show, please contact Julia Hayes on 07788113069 or [juliambeulah@gmail.com](mailto:juliambeulah@gmail.com)

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### Date for your diary – Durley Church Fete

Due to the uncertainty over the lifting of the lockdown, Durley Church Fete has been postponed to Saturday 4th September.

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The King's School would like to invite applications from suitably qualified providers to apply for a contract for the annual servicing and maintenance of gas, water and electrical appliances at the School. For full details of the service contract and information on the tendering process, please contact Margaret Walker, Business Manager at [m.walker@thekingsschool.org.uk](mailto:m.walker@thekingsschool.org.uk).

The King's School are looking to update our list of available tradespeople, businesses or qualified individuals who would be available to undertake occasional maintenance jobs at the School. This could include plumbers, carpenters, electricians, decorators etc. If you would like to be included on our list of contractors, please send your details to [m.walker@thekingsschool.org.uk](mailto:m.walker@thekingsschool.org.uk).

The deadline for applications is Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021.

## **You're Always There for Me**

When the world comes crashing in  
And chaos rules my mind,  
I turn my heart to you, Lord,  
And pure, sweet peace I find.

You lift me out of trouble  
You comfort me in pain;  
You nourish, heal and cleanse me,  
Like cool, refreshing rain.

In times of joy and bliss,  
When things are going right,  
You lift me even higher,  
And fill me with delight.

You listen to my prayers;  
You hear my every plea;  
I'm safe because I know  
You're always there for me.

***Joanna Fuchs***