

The Marden Vale Team Ministry  
Christ Church, Derry Hill – St. John the Baptist, Foxham – St. Martin, Bremhill  
Sunday 31st October – All Saints and All Souls

**Today's Services (31st Oct)**

Christ Church, Derry Hill 10am Parish Eucharist  
for All Saints' Day  
Christ Church, Derry Hill 3pm All Souls' Team Service

**Next Sunday (7th Nov)**

Christ Church, Derry Hill 10am Said Communion  
followed by 10.30am Family Service  
Zoom Evening Prayer at 6pm (Contact Linda for link)

**Next week:**

Wed 3rd Nov Meditation 6pm Christ Church, DH  
Handbells 7pm Christ Church, DH  
Foxham PCC 7.30pm  
Thu 4th Nov Bremhill PCC 7.30pm

Please click [here](#) or see below for COVID measures

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**All Souls**  
**31st October 3pm**  
**at Christ Church,**  
**Derry Hill**

**A Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance**

For those who would prefer not to come into the building, candles will be available to light in the church porch as well as some wooden crosses to hang on the yew arch in the churchyard as a symbol of remembrance.

We will also commemorate all those who have lost their lives to COVID-19.

**COP 26**  
**meets**  
**from 1st**  
**November**  
**for 12**  
**days in**  
**Glasgow.**



**UN CLIMATE**  
**CHANGE**  
**CONFERENCE**  
**UK 2021**

Please pray for all who will gather and for all of us to do our part...

*Creator God, giver of life, you sustain the earth and direct the nations. In this time of climate crisis grant us clarity to hear the groaning of creation and the cries of the poor; challenge us to change our lifestyles; guide our leaders to take courageous action; enable your church to be a beacon of hope; and foster within us a renewed vision of your purposes for the world; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by and for whom all things were made. Amen.*

**Prayer** Join the Church of England Daily Prayer by visiting our website: [www.mardenvale.org.uk](http://www.mardenvale.org.uk) and clicking on 'Pray' on the top line.

**In the coming week please also pray for:**

- fighting to cease and peace to prevail in all the places in the world marked by conflict and violence
- all those affected by storm, flood, fire and earthquake, and for all rescue workers and emergency services
- shelter for the homeless and rough sleepers, safety for refugees
- all who are struggling to pay bills and put food on the table
- women and girls who do not feel safe
- wisdom and guidance as we move into the next phase of living with COVID-19
- all who are affected by coronavirus, all who work on the frontline to keep us safe, to help the sick, to keep us fed...
- the vaccination programme in every nation
- those who are anxious, exhausted, isolated. May those whose mental health is fragile be able to access counselling, medication and support
- our schools, for all children & staff returning after the half-term holiday
- local shops and businesses Kingston House residents and all who work there
- Lucy Aylen in her work with YWAM
- the work of Christian Aid
- our brothers and sisters in Sudan & South Sudan, Yemen, the Middle East
- all who are sick, awaiting diagnosis, those in hospital. Especially we pray for: Mark Steele, Christine Gundry, Mark Jennings, Lynne Cottrell, Rob Simons, Jacob Maloy, Paul Crayford, Helen Lewis, Jackson Goodship, Liz Kinch, Doreen Williams, Bill Norman, Brenda Beint, Sonia Strange, Sarah Green, Margaret Bell, Robert Pegler, Rev. Jim Scott, Harry
- all who have died in recent weeks, and all whose anniversary of death falls at this time. We remember Simon Strange and Raymond Hazell who have died in recent weeks

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Pray for The Episcopal/ Anglican Province of Alexandria

**Churches open for private prayer**

Bremhill - daily from 9am to 4pm  
Derry Hill - Tue-Sat 9am to 4pm, Sundays 12-4pm

**Calne Food Bank**

Open 12-4pm Mon & Fri,  
10am-1pm Wed at:

4A Mill Street, Calne, SN11  
8DP

[www.calnefoodbank.co.uk](http://www.calnefoodbank.co.uk)  
07752 213029 or Email:  
[calnefoodbank@gmail.com](mailto:calnefoodbank@gmail.com)

**Giving**

You can find out how to support your local church on our [Giving](#) page.

QR Codes are available for Christ Church, Derry Hill for one-off donations or regular giving.

## Readings for All Saints' Day

### Collect

God of holiness,  
your glory is proclaimed in every age:  
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,  
inspire us to follow their example  
with boldness and joy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord

### Psalm 24:1-6

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,  
the world, and those who live in it;  
for he has founded it on the seas,  
and established it on the rivers.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?

And who shall stand in his holy place?

Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,  
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,  
and do not swear deceitfully.

They will receive blessing from the Lord,  
and vindication from the God of their salvation.

Such is the company of those who seek him,  
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

### Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for  
all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines  
strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,  
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

he will swallow up death for ever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears  
from all faces,

and the disgrace of his people he will take away from  
all the earth,

for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he  
might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

### Revelation 21:1-6a

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first  
heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea  
was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new  
Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,  
prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I  
heard a loud voice from the throne saying,  
'See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I  
am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for  
these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to  
me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the  
beginning and the end.

### John 11:32-44

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she  
knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been  
here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw  
her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also  
weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply  
moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said  
to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So  
the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of

them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the  
blind man have kept this man from dying?'

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb.  
It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus  
said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the  
dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench  
because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to  
her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see  
the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And  
Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for  
having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I  
have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here,  
so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had  
said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!'  
The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with  
strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus  
said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'



Jesus Raises Lazarus. Jesus Mafa, 1973. Paintings from Photos of Reenactments, Cameroon. Vanderbilt Divinity School Library, Art in the Christian Tradition.

Something to ponder - extract from a poem by Peter Dainty:

*What a surprise to find -  
after believing for years  
that heaven was like a garden,  
a green and beautiful paradise  
of peace and beauty,  
or like a palmy South Sea island  
lapped by deep blue waters  
on a beach of silver sand -  
what a surprise to find,  
that when, at the end of the Bible,  
a piece of heaven  
comes floating down to earth,  
it isn't a garden at all  
but a City...*

*...but what better place for a garden  
than in a Holy City.*



## **Parochial Church Council (PCC) Guidance**

A joint meeting of the PCCs of Bremhill, Derry Hill and Foxham met on Tuesday 12th October to review the COVID measures in our churches. We are continuing to take a cautious approach while working towards reintroducing elements of worship in church which so many have missed.

In common with many other churches and retail and hospitality settings we are asking people to continue to observe the "Hands, Face, Space, Ventilation" measures which are currently in place. There will also be some easing of other requirements.

**Booking** will no longer be required

**Social distancing** remains in place. Please feel free to sit with members of your household or regular social 'bubble' in any pew where there are Orders of Service. To indicate your preference for space, place a kneeler on the pew.

**Face coverings** may be removed when you are seated. We ask that face coverings are worn whenever you are moving around the building.

**Communion** (intincted wafers/bread) may be received at the high altar (standing). To reduce queuing this will be conducted row-by-row.

**Congregational singing** of two hymns + the Gloria will take place in church during services. We ask that you wear a face covering if you wish to join in.

**Zoom services** will continue

These measures apply to the regular Sunday services. They will be reviewed on 10th November.

An amended set of measures will apply to baptisms, weddings, funerals and other groups meeting in church subject to the requirements of separate risk assessments.

Our Christian calling is to care for all our brothers and sisters, particularly those who are vulnerable; and there are times in our lives when every one of us (and those we have close contact with) is vulnerable. We want everyone to feel welcome, comfortable and cared for. Thank you for your understanding.

Rev. Linda Carter on behalf of Bremhill, Derry Hill and Foxham PCCs 12th October 2021.

## **Calne Deanery Treasurer**

We're looking for someone to work with the Rural Dean, Lay Chair and other members of the Deanery Standing Committee with regards to deanery financial matters. Activities include looking after the modest deanery account, serving as the first port of call for parish treasurers with any queries or problems regarding Share or parish finances, working with other deanery officers in reviewing the Fairer Share returns, and liaising with diocesan colleagues.

Want to know more? Please contact the Rural Dean, the Revd Canon Jane Curtis, on 01793 977395 or [jane@chelmsworth.com](mailto:jane@chelmsworth.com).