



ST MARY'S CHURCH, BRIDGWATER

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Welcome to this weeks bulletin!

GOSPEL : Matthew 25.31-end

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³¹“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ ⁴¹Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

Post Communion
Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

People to hold in prayer

- Bishop Peter Hancock
- Jess Grandfield
- Wendy Harris
- Kate Bennett
- The family of Keith Bannard

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Collect
God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory. Amen

CHRIST THE KING

READINGS:
Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24, Psalm 95: 1-7, Ephesians 1.15-end
Matthew 25.31-end

Coming up this week:

MONDAY
10am— New Craft group ([via zoom see link](#))

WEDNESDAY
9am—Morning Prayer ([via see link](#))

THURSDAY
9.30—12noon—[Church open for individual prayer](#)

SUNDAY
8.10am—Sunday Worship [Listen on BBC Radio 4](#)

SUNDAY ONLINE
9.30am — Our online Sunday Worship Communion ([join on our website / fb / youtube](#))
10.30am—Zoom coffee ([see link](#))

ZOOM COFFEE MTG 
10.30am Sunday
Meeting ID: 342 838 4531
Passcode: Church

ZOOM CRAFT GROUP
Meeting ID: 781 0585 0017
Passcode: Craft

200 Club Winners 19th November 2020

- 1st Roy Porter
- 2nd Monica Bartrum
- 3rd Frances Pearce
- 4th Luke Wheeler

Creative Prayer

This week we started our online weekly morning prayer via zoom on a Wednesday morning — this is just one of the many ways we can hold one another in prayer. Below are some other ways you might be inspired to pray this week with some ideas taken from the website 24-7 prayer.com.

For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible...” - Colossians 1:16

There are so many ways to connect with God. Try some of these simple ideas to creatively express your praise, petition and adoration as you pray.

1. USE A PAINTBRUSH

Painting – whether you see yourself as artistic or not – is a great way to embrace creativity in your prayers. Even if you don't think of yourself as a painter, let go of trying to make something look beautiful, and focus on the process.

You could paint your representation of a Bible verse, paint specific words that God is saying to you, or ask God for a prophetic picture to put onto a piece of paper.

2. USE A CAMERA

Taking photos captures the everyday beauty in the world. Grab your camera and go for a prayer walk with the intention of taking photos of the beauty you see in people, buildings and nature.

As you pray, ask God to speak and reveal more of His creativity to you.

3. USE A PEN AND PAPER

Writing is something that we do less and less in our daily lives. However, taking the time to slow down and write is a great way to get creative in your prayer life.

Experiment with writing a short prayer poem or haiku. Rewrite a Psalm in your own words, or take the time to write your own liturgy.

Connect with God through the written word and allow the words to reach your mind and soul.

4. USE YOUR PHONE

We use our phones every day, so get creative and use yours to spark creative prayer ideas.

You might like to get practical and set reminders to stop and pray. Or, pray for each person in your phonebook.

5. USE YOUR SKILLS IN CREATIVE WAYS

We are all creative in different ways. If you're not sure exactly what your skills are, take some time to pray and ask God what they are. Chatting to a good friend or family member could help too. Then, figure out a way to turn your skill into prayer. If you're great at baking, use that time to pray for God's presence to reach the people you're baking for. If you love running, integrate prayer into your routes.

There are no limits to our conversation with our creator, creative God: so try getting creative as you pray today! Let us know how you get on!!!!

Samaritan's Purse 2020- Operation Christmas Child

The drop-off point at Alive Christian Ministries is closed due to the current Covid restrictions. Please hold on to your shoe box for now and we will let you know when a local drop-off point becomes available. Please speak to Frances or Richard if you have any questions.

