

Church News

St Peter & St Paul

Cranfield 9th August 2020



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"We are a community church, bringing the good news of Jesus Christ and serving this community in His love."



9th Sunday after Trinity

Bible readings

Romans 19 vv 5-15

Matthew 14 vv 22-33

Collect for this Sunday

**Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit,
to be the light and life of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

We are delighted that our Church re-opens today for weekly Sunday worship.

Our first service for nearly five months will be appropriately Holy Communion, where we "do this in remembrance of Him"

The coronavirus means that we are forced to do things differently. The congregation will be required to be socially distanced and wear face masks. We will also be required to sanitise our hands before the service. When receiving communion we will receive in 'one kind,' bread only in the form of a wafer. We are assured by the Church of England that this is no less meaningful.

We would remind anyone who is still unsure about receiving Communion that you are still most welcome to attend the service.

Cranfield Parish Church

Rector:	Vacancy	☎750214
Wardens	Mr Andrew Pearson	☎751358
	Mrs Jo Stannage	☎752116
Reader	Mr Trevor Dimmock	☎751321
Safeguarding	Mrs Anne Dimmock	☎751321

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Future Church Services

We hope to continue with our normal pattern of church services into the foreseeable future. Sadly for the time being there will be no hymn singing and no refreshments after the service. Weather permitting we hope that we can remain outside for a while after the service, for a chat whilst complying with social distancing requirements.

Next week – 16th August will be a Family Service led by Jo Stannage.

Charitable donations

Our charitable giving for this quarter is for the benefit of the **Cranfield Academy**. If you would like to make a donation you may donate through the church website or give your donation to Trevor or the churchwardens.

Floor problems in the chancel

Unfortunately the problem with the chancel floor seems to be worsening. The church architect will shortly be visiting the church with a view to assessing the problem. This looks to be an expensive problem to fix and the PCC will be applying for grant aid when the extent of the problem is known.

Church opening

The church will continue to be open on the following days for private prayer
Sundays 14.00 – 16.00
Tuesdays 10.00 – 12.00
Thursdays 12.00 – 14.00

This will be reviewed shortly when we may be able to open the church each day as before.

In our prayers

The PCC as they meet on Monday evening to deal with ongoing church matters.

The churchwardens and other members of the interview panel as they continue to search for a priest in charge for our benefice.

The population of Beirut as they struggle with the calamity of the explosion in their city and the death and injury of so many.

**"Cast all your anxiety on him
because he cares for you"**

1 Peter 5:7