

Parish of Seale, Puttenham & Wanborough

SUNDAY Supplement

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Sunday 29th October – Bible Sunday

Today's Services

- 10.30 am** United Communion at The Good Shepherd, The Sands St Laurence, Seale
- 4.00 pm** All Souls Vigil at St Laurence, Seale
No Zoom service

Today's Readings

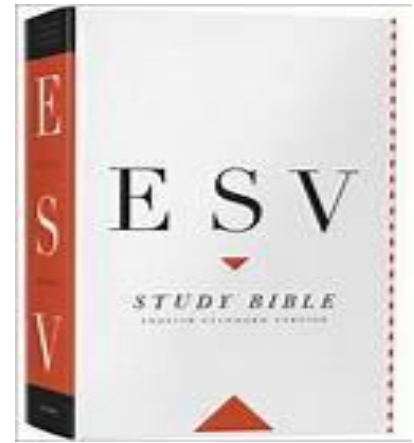
- Morning** HC: Colossians 3.12-17 ; Matthew 24.30-35
- Evening:** ASV: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Prayer for this week

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FROM THE RECTORY DESK

Last Friday at Alpha we zoomed in on the importance of the Bible in the lives of Christian believers. Still the best-selling book well above Lord of the Rings and Harry Potter more and more people around the world want a copy of this life changing tome containing 66 other books that inspire and enlighten in so many ways.



The Holy Bible is simply essential reading if we are to receive God's revelations to us and to grow in our knowledge and wisdom and in the truth of his salvation plan for the world.

There are so many different versions available that it can get a little confusing, but I would commend the NIV and the ESV versions as easy reading with scholarly textual interpretations. You can also get a one-year bible and numerous apps for a digital version. The Old King James version remains a bible of poetic beauty but of course it pre-dates the discovery of the dead sea scrolls at Qumran.

This amazing find revealed many fragments of other gospel sources all of which scholars regard as important but not as primacy scripture of 1st canon order.

I invite you to join us every last Wednesday of the month at the Sands church as we explore informally the scriptures together. We are currently working through the gospel of John and discovering many blessings as we read.

Every Blessing.

Rector

THANKS AND APPRECIATIONS

We recently dedicated a handsome lectern edition Bible in memory of Mary Starte (Bostock) at St John the Baptist, Puttenham. We are grateful to Peter Bostock and his family for presenting us with such a beautiful gift. It will be used at the Morning and Evening offices.



Stuart David Mayes (very ill in hospital)
Caroline Yarnold
Intense conflict in Israel
Intense conflict in Ukraine
Bible Society
Bible Translators
Bible Colleges and Christian Bookshops

Under GDPR rules we need permission to name verbally or in print anyone who is ill and needs our prayers, so please let us know if we can pray for you.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Tue 31 Oct	12.00 – 2.00 pm	Shepherd's Rest Café at The Good Shepherd, The Sands (and every Tuesday)
Wed 25 Oct	2.00 pm	Bible Hub at The Good Shepherd, The Sands Studies in John's Gospel
Fri 3 Nov	12.00 pm	Alpha Course continues, at The Good Shepherd, The Sands. In order that we may judge the catering requirement, please let Kathleen know if you plan to attend, by email to Kathleen77smith@gmail.com

Services next Sunday – 5th November

4 before Advent

9.00 am	Morning Prayer at The Good Shepherd, The Sands
10.30 am	Holy Communion at St Laurence, Seale
10.30 am	Morning Prayer at St John the Baptist, Puttenham
6.00 pm	Virtual Compline, by Zoom

FUTURE EVENTS

Sat 18 Nov	6.30 pm	Organ Recital at St John the Baptist, Puttenham (mulled wine at 6.30 pm; recital commences 7.00 pm)
Sun 26 Nov	10:30 am	'Little Saints' at St John the Baptist, Puttenham



Please contact the Rector if you are unable to attend church and would like to receive Communion at home. Also, contact the Rector if you would like a visit from our Lay Pastoral Visitors.

GIFTING TO THE CHURCH

BY BANK TRANSFER OR STANDING ORDER: to the SPWPCC bank account, which is at Lloyds Bank, Farnham, sort code 30 93 20, account number 02210758, (do include your name for reference).



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Please contact any member of the Ministry or Pastoral team if you are anxious, lonely or would like a spiritual or social chat.

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CHRISTOPHER TUCKWELL LLM: 01252 718676

PASTORAL TEAM: Linda Thatcher & Kathleen Smith



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ANNE CONCANEN: 01483 811017

You can contact Anne confidentially if you have any safeguarding concerns.