

The Team

Vicar	Lis Ward	01205 355172
Associate Vicar	Ian Ward	01205 355172
Pastoral Outreach Worker	Paula Sargeant	07852 398833
Youth & Children's Worker	Esther Lockley	07757 708618
Lay Pastor	Nigel Andrews	
Church Wardens	Trevor Dunnington	Dennis Pain
Safeguarding Officer	Carol Acheson	07857 202016
Church Administrator	Nikki Jackson	01205 310221
Asst Church Administrator	Pam Mellor	01205 310221

Please note that Paula works Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Esther's days off are Monday and Saturday. Lis and Ian are usually both off Friday afternoon to Saturday afternoon at the moment. The Church Office is currently closed. Please contact us by phone or email wherever possible.

**THE CHURCH BUILDING IS NOW OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER
Mon & Wed 10am-12noon Tues & Thurs 2-4pm Sunday 6-8pm**

Lis and Ian will be praying for the world, our community and church family from 9.00-9.30am when they are in the parish. Please join us in praying at this time if you can.

This week's prayer pointers

Church Outreach: Alpha Course online; Trinity Tots families and team; Café team; community links, outreach and mission.

Mission Focus: OMF—mission partners in Thailand: Chris & Sarah Keiller, Rebekah, Miriam & Daniela

Our Church Prayer: Heavenly Father, help us to be a family of Your people who: Are centred on Jesus, reflecting His love, grace and truth in our characters, relationships and witness; Love Your Word (the Bible), recognise its authority and follow its guidance in our lives; Seek Your Holy Spirit's presence, wisdom, fruit and gifts, and welcome Him to move in power; Work out our faith in mission and outreach. For the praise of Your glory. **Amen.**

[New International Version - UK](#) (NIVUK) Holy Bible, New International Version® Anglicized, NIV® Copyright © 1979, 1984, 2011 by [Biblica, Inc.](#)® Used by permission. All rights reserved worldwide. Songs used by permission CCL Licence 222.



*'Loving Jesus
Serving others'*

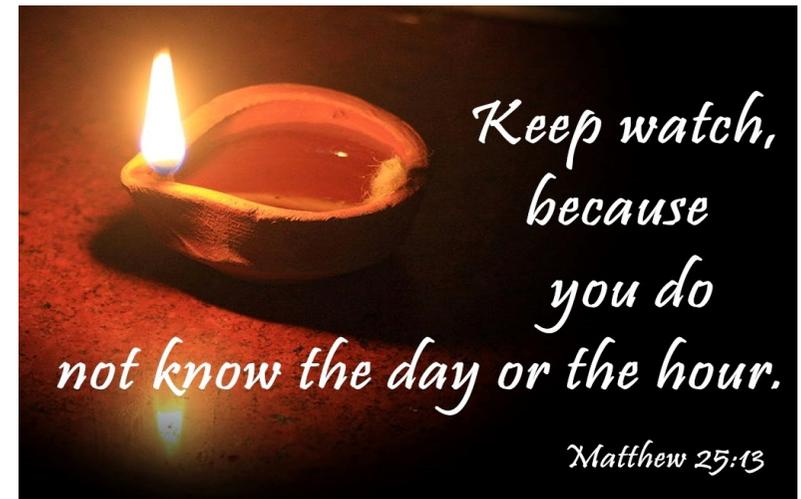
Sunday 12th July 2020

**'Worship Together'
Recorded service available on the
Holy Trinity website, YouTube and Facebook.**

Join us at 10.30am on Sunday or when you can.

**There will also be short said services which include
Holy Communion in church on Sunday 12th at
6.30pm and Thursday 16th at 10.30am.**

Please note we are not allowed to gather before or after services in churchyard or carpark.



Parables from the window: The Ten Bridesmaids

This week's prayers:

Almighty God, send down upon your us your Church the riches of your Holy Spirit, and kindle in each of us the light of your good news and your countless gifts of grace. Jesus, let your light burn brightly in us so that does not diminish or run out. Give us the strength to follow You. Amen

Song 1

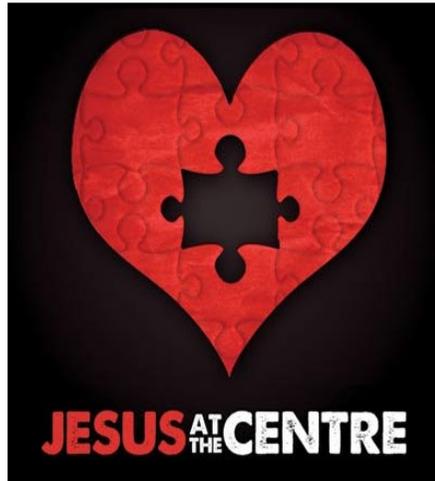
Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
let us all in Thee inherit,
let us find Thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning,
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning
set our hearts at liberty

Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above;
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
perfectly restored in thee:
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Charles Wesley (1707-88)



Song 2

Jesus be the centre,
be my source, be my light, Jesus.
Jesus, be the centre,
be my hope, be my song, Jesus.

Be the fire in my heart,
be the wind in these sails;
Be the reason that I live;
Jesus, Jesus.

Jesus, be my vision,
be my path, be my guide, Jesus.

Michael Frye
©1999 Vineyard Songs

“I have loved you with an everlasting love.” Jeremiah 31:3

Reading of the week: Matthew 25:1-3

“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom.² Five of them were foolish, and five were wise.³ When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; ⁴ but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵ As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶ But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ ⁷ Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ ⁹ But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ ¹⁰ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. ¹¹ Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ ¹² But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ ¹³ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Thought for the day: Lis Ward

The second of our parables from the window in the prayer corner is the story of the ten bridesmaids. Five are wise and take spare oil with them as they wait for the coming of the bridegroom; five are foolish and end up missing the celebration because their lamps go dry.

When we choose to recognise Jesus as God’s son, the bridegroom of his bride, the church, we are given the Holy Spirit in our lives. Without him our lives are dry and we will not be ready for the time when Jesus will come again. Jesus warns that no one knows when that will be, but that there is a consequence if we fail to be prepared. The old song “Give me oil in my lamp keep me burning...” is something we all need to apply to our lives. Let’s pray that we are ready to face today with Jesus, and the rest of our lives with him, and are prepared for his coming again in his glory whenever that may be.

Song 3

You call me out upon the waters

The great unknown where feet may fail
And there I find You in the mystery
In oceans deep my faith will stand

*And I will call upon Your name
And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise
My soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine*

Your grace abounds in deepest waters
Your sov'reign hand will be my guide
Where feet may fail and fear
surrounds me
You've never failed and You won't

Spirit lead me where my trust is
without borders
Let me walk upon the waters
Wherever You would call me
Take me deeper than my feet
could ever wander
And my faith will be made
stronger
In the presence of my Saviour

I will call upon Your name
Keep my eyes above the waves
My soul will rest in Your embrace
I am Yours and You are mine

Joel Houston | Matt Crocker | Salomon
Ligthelm © 2012 Hillsong Music Publishing