



10 October 2021

**Church of the Resurrection Dedication Anniversary**

**Welcome to our worship, especially if you are here for the first time.**

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 Within the Church we believe that we are called to be responsible to and for one another, respecting the more vulnerable. There is likely to be a range of feeling about risk. All we ask is that you remain aware that your freedom can limit others' freedom.

**Gradual easing...**

If you have COVID symptoms please come again when you have recovered.

We will maintain groups of seats and individual seats where possible. Where not possible we will provide people with cards to put next to them when sat down, asking people to leave the seats next to them free.

There is no legal requirement to wear a face covering – although for others' benefit you may choose to do so. We will ask you to do so in confined spaces like vestries. You may wish to wear a face covering when coming to receive communion. The Priest distributing the bread and wine will wear a face covering to protect you. Where possible we will sing. We will continue to share the peace as we have by turning and/or waving to our neighbours.

Bread and wine will be distributed. The wafer will have a little wine added to it, dried and quarantined for 48 hours. Refreshments will be served after the service.

**Sunday 10 October**

- 8am Said Eucharist at St Andrew's: Canon Paul Gully
- 10am A special All Age Service focusing on climate change at Resurrection: Simon Lemieux and Amber VP
- 12.00 Baptism at Resurrection: Blair Wearn

**Wednesday 13 October**

- 10am Said Eucharist at St Andrew's: Canon Paul Gully
- 7pm Said Eucharist at Resurrection : Canon Paul Gully

**Saturday 16 October**

2pm Messy Church at Resurrection

**Collect for Dedication Anniversary**

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: we praise you for the many blessings you have given to those who worship you here: and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you, and, being filled with the Holy Spirit, may become a living temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**1 Peter 2.1-10**

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. 2Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— 3if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

4 Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and 5like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 6For it stands in scripture:

'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.'

7To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner',

8and

'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.'

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. 9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

**John 10.22-29**

22 At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, 23and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. 24So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' 25Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; 26but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. 27My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. 28I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. 29What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand.

**Post Communion Prayer for Dedication Anniversary**

Father in heaven, whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace, an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem: grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage that, fed with the living bread of heaven, and united in the body of your Son, we may be the temple of your presence, the place of your glory on earth, and a sign of

your peace in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Messy Church:** At the next session on 16 October, we have a recycling activity with old T-shirts. Please can you look to see if you could find one you no longer wear which we could use to turn into something else. Many thanks. Elaine Beeby

**Situations Vacant:** The PCC is looking for volunteers for the following positions. If you are interested, please speak to Paul or me for more information.

**Stewardship Promoter** – The PCC is looking to fill this post which has been vacant for some time. The volunteer should be able to promote the benefits of regular giving to new and existing members of the congregation and be familiar with the Parish Giving Scheme, but help with both of these aspects is available.

**Eco-church team leader:** As we confirm our commitment to become an eco-church, the PCC is looking for a volunteer to lead in this area. The volunteer would liaise with others in the parish leadership teams as well as others who wish to be involved in this aspect of caring for God's creation, in order to move this forward. John

**The Adventures of Florence and the Mermaid's Tears** is a mini Musical, written specially for Portsmouth, family-friendly and climate relevant; Join Florence, a local teenager, as she journeys with her mother to a remote Island-home to the oldest Albatross in the world- and discovers the beauty, diversity of the nature there. Yet, not everything is rosy...something is affecting the Albatross population. What is it? And what can Florence do about it? Find out in this mini musical. **Saturday, November 6, 12:30pm. at Cosham Baptist Church.** Order your tickets from Eventbrite. John and Miriam

**Fund-raising event for Friends Without Borders** The fund-raising event for Friends Without Borders which took place on Saturday 25 September at the Church of the Resurrection raised the staggering amount of £670 for the charity. They - FWB - have expressed their great appreciation for this on behalf of their immigrant clients and have asked me to thank the large numbers of our Church family who took part and of course a special thank you to Linda and John Upton for organising it. Geoff

**Trauma Teddy Bears:** I am collecting knitted Teddy Bears to go to Arbat Syrian Refugee Camp in N. Iraq. They have to be knitted from a pattern that I have as only this will be accepted. Also urgently needed are knitted hats for 5-10 years old. Children. Trauma Teddy bears are given out by doctors and medics to traumatised children who are going through dreadful times. It's something that they can cuddle that's theirs to keep. With the growing number of refugees in the camps and the cold weather the warm knitted hats are urgently needed. If you can knit please do ask for a pattern for the teddies, hat patterns you can buy or borrow from a friend. Thank you, Maretha

**Love In A Box-** the leaflets are now at the back of St Andrew's and The Church of the Resurrection. The Parish commitment is 50 boxes- last year we smashed our target and donated 70 boxes! I have some spare boxes and there is more information on [www.msrm.org.uk](http://www.msrm.org.uk). I need the boxes by the end of October please. Thank you Amanda

### Help needed please!

Have you missed the **monthly Parish newsletter** dropping

into your Inbox? Would you like it to continue? Have you ideas about its format or content? If it is to continue, we need someone to produce it and send out using existing software. Paul can give more details.

The **Information screen** in the entrance to CR halls needs ongoing updating - would you like to take this on? Paul says "it's not as complicated as you might think" - please speak to him if you fancy this challenge.

Many thanks to John Upton for his previous work on both these roles.

And finally ...do you spend too much time on Social Media? Have you creative ideas about communicating to our local community what we do? Do you have links with schools and other local organisations? Do you have skills in publicity? Even if none of these, the Parish Communications Sub Committee would welcome fresh input from members of the congregations - would you like to join us? Please contact Maz Coles at Resurrection. [ginger.coles@ntlworld.com](mailto:ginger.coles@ntlworld.com)

### Next Sunday 17 October Trinity 20 Proper 24

8am Said Eucharist at St Andrew's: Canon Paul Gully  
9.30am Family Eucharist at Resurrection, Canon Paul Gully, Preacher: Simon Lemieux, Reader: Izzy Cordery, Intercessor: Elaine Beeby  
11.15am Family Eucharist at St Andrew's, Canon Paul Gully, Preacher: Simon Lemieux, Reader: Lynne Runham, Intercessor: Amber VP

*The readings for 17 October are: Hebrews 5.1-10 and Mark 10.35-45. I really encourage you to read these before you come to worship. Paul*

### For your prayers this week 10-16 October

- Loving Father, Teach us to have the right priorities. Let us focus on fellowship and love, rather than material wealth. May we live in a world in which People matter more than profit.
- For our Diocesan Resources and Strategic Implementation Team
- The Church of the Resurrection, its congregations, hall users and local community.
- For residents of Edison Spur and Elm Tree Road
- For Solent Junior School
- For those who are ill
- For those who have died recently
- Anniversaries: Richard Barratt, Mary Eames, Martin Perryer, Rene Robbins and Joyce Wyles

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