

October 1st

Psalms: 119: 57—80 (MP), 59 (EP)

Bethlehem is crying: The pandemic of Covid19 virus is on the rise. Every day the numbers are rising among the Palestinians as well as among the Israelis. The authorities are heading to lockdown again for another 3 weeks or more depending on the numbers. The situation is not getting better, which puts lots of pressure on the church of Pastor Nihad. The economical situation among the Palestinians is terrible and is heading for collapse. Please pray for this situation.

Location/Organisation: Homes in Silver Street.

Lectionary Readings: 1 Kings 18: 1—20; Acts 20: 17—end

October 2nd

Psalms: 57 (MP), 62 (EP)

Karen Scully: Please pray for all young people returning to University or going for the first time. They will be returning to a very different University experience. We pray that they will be able to adjust and still make the most of their time there. We also pray that Universities will support their students not only academically but pastorally as well during these difficult times.

Location/Organisation: Royal British Legion.

Lectionary Readings: 1 Kings 18: 21—end; Acts 21: 1—16

October 3rd

Psalms: 51 (MP), 38 (EP)

Hazel Bassingham: Lord, I pray for all young people whose education and routine have been turned upside down over the last 6 months; from the 5 year olds who were just settling into full time school, through the year 7s settling into a new school without the normal 'transfer', to last year's year 13s who may feel their future is blighted by the exams mess-up. Lord I pray that you will help them all to accept where they are and to look forward. We cannot undo what is past, but our attitudes can affect our future. Amen.

Location/Organisation: Parish Councils.

Lectionary Readings: 1 Kings 19; Acts 21: 17—36



Sunday October 4th

17th Sunday after Trinity

Harvest festivals: Lord of growth, and fruitfulness, we pray for farmers and all who work with animals, and work on the land. As they toil in the muck and mud, the slush and snow, thankful when the sun comes at the right time, and philosophic when it doesn't, may we remember all they do to put food on our plates. Amen.

Location/Organisation: Those living in Silver Mead.

Lectionary Readings: Philippians 3: 4b—14; Matthew 21: 33—end

October 5th

Psalms: 71 (MP), 72 (EP)

Ken & Yvonne Beard: Lord, we thank you that despite all the restrictions on our lives, we are able to worship You openly and without fear. Please pray for fellow Christians throughout the world who do not have this freedom and face persecution for their faith.

Location/Organisation: Homes in Silverstone Way.

Lectionary Readings: 1 Kings 21; Acts 20: 37—22: 21

October 6th

Psalms: 73 (MP), 74 (EP)

Kirsty Bowles: I thank You that throughout this time of uncertainty and change, You have remained a constant source of comfort and stability. I pray that as we move forward we can take the very best of what we have learned from this shared experience, new skills, new technologies, a sense of community and a bond of solidarity and channel it into serving You in new and innovative ways, as we journey together into a new post-COVID world, ever sure of Your strength and guidance. Amen.

Location/Organisation: St Peter's Hospice.

Lectionary Readings: 1 Kings 22: 1—28; Acts 22: 22—23: 11

October 7th

Psalms: 77 (MP), 119: 81—104 (EP)

Church Offices: We pray for Andrea and Lisa and the Church Offices in these difficult times.

Location/Organisation: Coffee Mornings

Lectionary Readings: 1 Kings 22: 29—45; Acts 23: 12—end

October 8th

Psalms: 78: 1—39 (MP), 73: 40—end (EP)

Valerie Rivers: Father we pray for the whole wide world community during the Coronavirus pandemic. Give strength and comfort to all those who have lost loved ones. Amen

Location/Organisation:

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 1: 2—17; Acts 24: 1—23

October 9th

Psalms: 55 (MP), 69 (EP)

Caz: Please pray for all families who are struggling to keep food on the table and trying to make ends meet. Pray for understanding about individual situations and that they can get the help they need. Pray for children in these situations who now what it us to go to bed hungry. Pray for all the organisations and schools that are working to help these families

Location/Organisation: For Brunel Manor.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 2: 1—18; Acts 24: 34—25: 12

October 10th

Psalms: 76 (MP), 84 (EP)

Lynda Fell: Bless the young people that aren't coping with the new way of life. Help them to find a way through and support them with all the challenges the face.

Location/Organisation: WI's.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 4: 1—27; Acts 25: 13—end



Sunday October 11th

18th Sunday after Trinity

Archbishop Justin: Please pray for our Archbishop as he leads the church through challenging times.

Location/Organisation: Those living in Stonewell Lane.

Lectionary Readings: Philippians 4: 1—9; Matthew 22: 1—14

October 12th

Psalms: 80 (MP), 85 (EP)

Val Sawtell: Dear Lord in these uncertain times guide us and give us the strength and courage we need to get us through. Help us to continue to look out for those in need and remember the key workers who have continued to work right through and often also looking out for those who need extra support. Keep us safe and mindful of those around us.

Location/Organisation: Weston Hospicecare.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 5; Acts 26: 1—23

October 13th

Psalms: 89: 1—18 (MP), 89: 19—end (EP)

Grace Isaac: Glorious God this world you have made is a beautiful and bountiful, so many colours, textures, sights and sounds, all remind us of your generous nature. We rejoice that we are part of it, but we confess that we have not always treated it with the love and care it requires. Forgive us and help us to live in ways that we all can all care for the world, enjoy its wonders and share it's resources fairly, in the name of Christ. Amen.

Location/Organisation: Art Groups

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 6: 1—23; Acts 26: 24—end

October 14th

Psalms: 119: 105—128 (MP), 91 (EP)

Jim and Jean Shawcross: We pray for everyone during this pandemic and that we can all manage to stay isolated yet connected to those we love. We pray that the numbers of people contracting the virus will reduce and we can all meet again with confidence very soon.

Location/Organisation: Art Groups

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 9: 1—16; Acts 27: 1—26

October 15th

Psalms: 92 (MP), 94 (EP)



Take 5: We pray for Take 5. For the parents that have to be especially careful and maybe find that mixing is not possible at the moment and who are missing the social side of Take 5, please know that we are thinking of you and praying for you. A chat, a joke, a smile helps us all in the trying a d difficult times.

Location/Organisation: Homes in Yew Tree Park.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 9: 17—end; Acts 27: 27—end

October 16th

Psalms: 88 (MP), 102 (EP)

Nancy Hobbs: Dear Lord, Please calm our fears and help us to have courage and patience to cope with problems caused by the pandemic.

Location/Organisation: Football Clubs.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 12: 1—19; Acts 28: 1—16

October 17th

Psalms: 97(MP), 104 (EP)

Bongi: Please join me (Avril) in thanking God for the gift of friendship. Bongi was a stranger, and now she is a wonderful friend and a part of our family. In these difficult times, please don't forget those who are struggling for food and water as Bongi's family is, back at her home in a little rural village Mozambique. Please pray for our world to

Location/Organisation: People living in Stonewell Park Road.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 17: 1—23; Acts 28: 17—end

Sunday October 18th

19th Sunday after Trinity

Matt: Today is St Luke's Day when traditionally we give thanks for Christ's healing ministry not just in the Church but also in the world. This ministry comes in so many forms. We pray today for all doctors and nurses everywhere. We pray for all NHS staff at this time especially those experiencing their own difficulties and challenges because of the pandemic. We pray for all carers and care support staff visiting people's homes and those who care for others in residential care. And we pray for all who seek to care for people's emotional and mental wellbeing, Pastoral carers, Prayer teams, counsellors, and ministers. Lord, you healing ministry works in and through so many wonderfully diverse and creative ways today just as much as ever. May your Holy Spirit be just as active today as He has always been - guiding, helping, consoling, caring, loving, healing. Thank you Lord. Amen

Location/Organisation: Wrington & District Young Farmers.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Timothy 4: 5—17; Luke 10: 1—9

October 19th

Psalms: 98 (MP), 105 (EP)

Ruth & Barry Wratten: Dear Lord - Please help us learn patience. We live in an "instant" age where everything has to be done at speed but we miss so much when we are always in a hurry. Covid 19 isn't going anywhere in a hurry, though, so we ask you to walk with us while we patiently ride out this storm. In more famous words than ours "God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference."

Location/Organisation: Tennis Clubs

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 17: 24—end; Philippians 1: 1—11

October 20th

Psalms: 106 (MP), 107 (EP)

Howard: At this stage in time I am deeply aware of a need to stay focused on Jesus and to keep a rule of life that involves prayer, retreat, exercise and reflection space. Please pray that I will find a rhythm of doing this at a time of hugely increased stress at Trinity theological college and in the life of the Diocese as we learn to build community whilst preserving social distance. Specifically please pray for Trinity College as it offers blended learning (on line, zoom and with live students in the classroom)... to a cohort of ordinands that is bigger than ever before. Similarly Please pray for my wife Ruth as she leads the Diocesan team at a time of pressure in the absence of Bishop Peter who remains very ill. Finally let us pray that God will do a new thing in New Creation as we learn to follow him into the future ... I wonder what sort of Church it is that God is forming us into.

Location/Organisation: Homes in Stonewell Drive.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 18: 1—12; Philippians 1: 12—end

October 21st

Psalms: 111 (MP), 119: 129—152 (EP)

Pastoral Care: Thank you Lord for the many different ways of communication and for those who faithfully keep in touch bringing love and hope to those in isolation, very often despondent and desolate in our communities. May we all find Lord your peace, protection and provision.

Location/Organisation: Local shops.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 18: 13—end; Philippians 2: 1—13

October 22nd

Psalms: 115 (MP), 116 (EP)

Maddie Beard: please pray for all young people at University, especially Gabriella (it is her 21st birthday today!) which will be very different this year, that they can cope with all the changes

Location/Organisation: Homes in Stonewell Grove.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 19: 1—19; Philippians 2: 14—end

October 23rd

Psalms: 139 (MP), 130 (EP)

Iris Belsten: Heavenly Father we pray for all those who have been made redundant, or have no paid employment. In this time of uncertainty give them and their families help to face each day as it comes, courage for the present, and hope for the future. Amen.

Location/Organisation: Post Offices

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 19: 20—36; Philippians 3: 1—4: 1

October 24th

Psalms: 121 (MP), 118 (EP)



NHS: Father, we bring before you all those who seek to serve in the NHS, not just medical staff, but also those who work in administration, as they are often the ones who bear the burden of dealing with distraught people whose treatment may have been delayed on several occasions because of COVID-19 pressures. Please give all NHS staff wisdom and patience, and bless them with an inner peace that helps them to "Keep calm and carry on."

Location/Organisation: Congresbury Singers.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 20; Philippians 4: 2—end

Sunday October 25th

Last Sunday after Trinity

Bible Sunday: 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.

Location/Organisation: The work of the PCC's (Parochial Church Council).

Lectionary Readings: 1 Thessalonians 2: 1–8; Matthew 22: 34–end

October 26th

Psalms: 126 (MP), 127 (EP)

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy in this time of uncertainty and distress. Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

Location/Organisation: Those living on The Causeway.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 21: 1–18; 1 Timothy 1: 1–17

October 27th

Psalms: 132 (MP), 135 (EP)

Dennis Cruze: Dear Lord, As we consider yet more with the difficulties of life with COVID-19, encourage us to enjoy what we have around us. Things like the skies, sunshine, plants and wildlife. The kindness and help from neighbours. There is so much we have to thank you for. Give us the words to express our thanks. **Amen**

Location/Organisation: Over 60s Club's.

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 22: 1–23; 1; 1 Timothy 1: 18–end of 2

October 28th

Psalms: 116 (MP), 119: 1–16 (EP)

Local Schools: Dear God, As we settle back into school routines, we thank you for the joy of each other's company and friendship. We thank you for the learning and laughter of school life. Help us to always remember those who have less to be thankful for, and to be grateful for the little joys of life even on the difficult days. Thank you Lord, **Amen.**

Location/Organisation: For the Deanery Synod.

Lectionary Readings: Ephesians 2: 19–end; John 15: 17–end

October 29th

Psalms: 143 (MP), 138 (EP)

Pastor Nihad: He asks for prayer for:

- Revival in the Land so that the Jews and Palestinians will be light to the whole world as enemies come together through Jesus and witness to the love of God.
- The church and leadership for wisdom, strength and protection
- God's mercy for our difficult situation.

Location/Organisation: For the local law courts, JPs and local police

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 23: 36–24: 17; 1 Timothy 4

October 30th

Psalms: 144 (MP), 145 (EP)



Appleshed: In the difficult months since COVID hit, and in the months ahead, please pray that Appleshed will be able to return to running sessions and engaging with members. Give thanks for Trustees and volunteers, and pray for more practitioners to be found to guide the organisation forward to fulfill its inclusive ethos. **Amen.**

Location/Organisation: Weston General Hospital

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 24: 18–25: 12; 1 Timothy 5: 1–16

October 31st

Psalms: 147 (MP), 1 (EP)

All Hallows Eve (Halloween): Almighty God, in whom is no darkness at all: Grant me your light perpetually, and when I cannot see the way before me, may I continue to put my trust in you; that so, being guided and guarded by your love, I may be kept from falling, this day and all my days, through Jesus Christ my Lord. **Amen.**

Location/Organisation: Safety for those using the M5

Lectionary Readings: 2 Kings 25: 22–end; 1 Timothy 5: 17–end