



# Sunday 20 September 2020

## the fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

### *the season of Creation*

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP THIS MORNING at St James & St Francis churches in the Parish of Cowley**

**Dear Friends**      *peace be with you*

**OUR CHURCHES OPENING FOR WORSHIP today 20th September**

**Holy Communion**      *in one kind only*

8:00 am    St James    *Geoff Bayliss*

9:30 am    St James    *Geoff Bayliss*      St Francis    *Gemma Beesley*  
*Richard Chand*

11:00 am    St James    *Geoff Bayliss*      St Francis    *Gemma Beesley*  
*Richard Chand*

1:30 pm    St James – the Anglican Asian Living Church

3:00 pm    St James – the Anglican Asian Living Church

**PRIVATE PRAYER IN ST JAMES CHURCH**

**Wednesday 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm**

**Sadly no CHATS IN THE CHURCHYARD** because of the rule of 6

**PRAYER WORSHIP MEETING** Wednesday 7:30 pm    St James – the AALC

*In line with government and Church of England regulations : you are required to wear a face covering in the church unless you are exempt; to use the provided sanitizer on arrival and give your name and contact details for the track and trace system – the list will be shredded after 3 weeks in line with GDPR*

**PARISH WORSHIP ON LINE:** there is still a **DAILY act of worship**, released at around midday – you can join live or catch up any time later on our **Facebook page (Parish of Cowley)** and via our **YouTube Channel**

**Our weekly SUNDAY online service** remains at **11:00am** - it is pre-recorded and includes contributions from several parishioners – those elements are included in the live services in church - *let us know if you would like to be involved in the recordings*

**Our other online activities and 'reality' opportunities – see page 2**

**DIOCESAN SERVICES** the streamed 'Church at home' service is at 10:00am  
<https://www.oxford.anglican.org/coronavirus-covid-19/livestream/>

For those unable to watch online, dial 01865 920 930 and, once connected, press 0 for the full version of the service, or 1 for a short version. Standard call rates apply. There will be a few moments of silence before the service starts so don't hang up!

To help stay in touch we are using :

Facebook : Parish of Cowley ([link here](#))

YouTube: Cowley Team Ministry ([link here](#)).

For a prayer via: [prayer@cowleyteamministry.co.uk](mailto:prayer@cowleyteamministry.co.uk)

You can also phone us on: 01865 778 596 / 07759 393 023



*I have come that they may have life and have it to the full*

**COWLEY PARISH LINK**

# WHAT'S ON AND INFORMATION

*please stay safe – stay well – stay alert – stay sensible – protect the NHS – and pray*

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**CONGRATULATIONS AND BLESSINGS** to Richard Chand on his appointment as priest in charge at St Paul's Church, Braintree. The departure date for him and Rebecca is still unknown but there is a collection for a farewell gift for them – please give **cash or cheque [Cowley (Oxford) PCC]** contributions to **Geoff, Gemma, Joan Coleman or Chris Woodman** – or pay into the **Parish account : Cowley (Oxford) PCC**

sort code: 30-12-51 account number: 01000840 with the reference : your name and 'Chand gift' and then e-mail or call Joan to say you have done so. Joan Coleman [ojcoleman@btinternet.com](mailto:ojcoleman@btinternet.com) 01865 770 865

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Geoff and Mary on becoming double grandparents again – to Seth (born 05/09) and Owen (born 06/09) and our love to the two families

**RIP VAL DAVIES** former loyal choir member at St James, until dementia kept her away, died last Sunday 13 September. Our prayers are for Brian and the family

**BLESSINGS AND PRAYERS** for David Benskin as he is ordained Deacon by Rt Rev Colin Fletcher, Bishop of Dorchester at 3:00 pm next Sunday 27 September in Dorchester Abbey

Watch the service online <https://www.oxford.anglican.org/coronavirus-covid-19-2/livestream/#toggle-id-4>

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**HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICES** last Sunday 13 September - the St James 11:00 service was, as hoped, outdoors in the churchyard and was a delight! **Donations of tins, jars and packets and toiletries** were for the CEF; cash for Water Aid. **You can still give!** If you are not attending church and wish to donate, please leave a message on the Parish office phone and we will arrange to come and collect at your home. If it is cash/cheque and you are a tax payer, please also complete a gift aid form

[www.cefoxford.co.uk](http://www.cefoxford.co.uk)

[www.wateraid.org](http://www.wateraid.org)

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**SUNDAY SERVICES – as on page 1** For our worship to be Covid-19 safe we must :

- stay 2 metres socially distanced
- leave no paperwork/books in the chairs
- use hand sanitizer on arrival - hot water/soap/paper towels are also available
- wear a face covering unless we are exempt
- give our name and contact number on the list provided for the track and trace system
- receive communion in one kind only
- clean the seats between services
- abstain from singing

The new rule of 6 happily does not apply to worship.

We wish to enable you to feel loved, safe, welcome

**Sadly** there can be **NO** socially distanced TEA AND CHATS in the church yard, on Sundays and Wednesdays, while the rule of 6 applies

**OTHER ONLINE ACTIVITIES : EDWARD BEAR CLUB** : songs, stories and some silliness for pre-schoolers is on **Facebook** – and you can catch up with earlier episodes there

**COFFEE CHATS Tuesdays and Saturdays at 11:00am** : join us on **Zoom** – find the link from the **Parish website** or **Facebook** page

**WORSHIP WORKOUTS** with curate/personal trainer Gemma are also on **facebook** and **YouTube** and now with **SEATED EXERCISE CLASSES** for those with limited mobility

**DWELLING IN THE WORD** simply reading a passage from the letter to the Galatians and discussing what thoughts go through our minds - using **Zoom** on **Thursday evenings between 7:00 and 7:30 pm** see *the website for a link*

**ONLINE QUIZ** Wednesday 7 October *new time of 7:00*, still using the Zoom coffee morning link from the Parish website - bring a cup of tea/coffee/G&T/glass of wine and 5 quiz questions, at least one on the theme of food and harvest, to your computer screen for a fun, challenging, educational 45 minutes

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**PARISH WALKING GROUP** tomorrow Monday 21 September - meet at 2:30 at the start of the Oxford Canal on Hythe Bridge Street to walk the canal towpath in bubbles of 6  
*contact Sally Hemsworth to let her know to expect you* 01865 774 776 [sally.hemsworth@outlook.com](mailto:sally.hemsworth@outlook.com)

**RIDE AND STRIDE** Saturday 12 September **THANK YOU** to stewards and St/Riders!  
Paper sponsorship forms will be in both churches for another week for Lesley Williams, John Booty and, at St Francis, for Jane Coutanche; you can also sponsor Lesley on her fundraising page : <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/LesleyWilliams22> If you are not attending church and wish to sponsor, please leave a message on the Parish office phone and we will arrange to come and collect.

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**ST JAMES CENTRE GARDENING PARTY** Saturday 26 September **9:30** until we run out of energy. **THANK YOU** to Ruth Goodwin who has quietly been keeping things under control but a **good group effort** will help tidy up weeds and leaves in preparation for the winter. We'd like to plant some new bulbs too.... Please bring your own tools if possible and refreshments.

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**ART AND FAITH GROUP** continues to meet fortnightly outdoors – weather permitting – in the churchyard, the next time on **Saturday 3 October, 10:00-12:00**  
Join us with your own creative project – lace, knitting, embroidery - or to sketch/ paint/sculpt what you can see. **contact John Booty 01865 770 836 if you have any questions.**

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**CHRONICLE** September copies have been **delivered with Link** for those who still enjoy that service and **emailed** to those subscribers for whom we have an email address. It is also available to download from the **Parish website**, even if you don't subscribe! *tab The Parish/Cowley Chronicle*

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**Copy deadline** for the October edition is tomorrow **Monday 21 September**

**NOTE that information on the back page** of the September edition has not been updated with reference to **C-19 closures** – obviously there is currently **NO Tuesday** Seashells, Holy Communion and lunch club

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### **URGENT HELP NEEDED WITH RECORDING KEYBOARD MUSIC FOR OUR WORSHIP**

Geoff's son in law has been helping with this but, as he has become a new dad again, we need someone else to take over. **If you know a pianist or keyboard player who might be able to record hymns and songs for us, please put him/her in touch with Geoff**

**VIRTUAL CHOIR AND BAND** Exciting developments : if you are up for using technology and would like to try being part of a **Cowley virtual worship band or choir** for our online services and maybe for our returning non-singing worship, **see the Bandlab information below We'd love to have you!**

You will be able to record on a **laptop or on an android or apple phone**. You may need some plug in earphones but Geoff should be able to find some of these!

[www.Bandlab.com](http://www.Bandlab.com) provides a way for us to be able to make music together **at home! Why not sign up?**

There is a training video to help get you started once you have registered <https://youtu.be/kyppa0Ac9io>

<https://www.bandlab.com/band/band7292717524766128> and look for 'Cowley Worship Band'. **We need voices and instruments.**

You can find the music we will be using from this link

<https://1drv.ms/u/s!AjulmR8Cfj70j4haFGmMvuZdwoStSq?e=7ewAbO>

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**PATHWAYS**, the seasonal Diocesan magazine, is available on line – you can read it on screen or download a pdf <https://www.oxford.anglican.org/pathways> The theme of this excellent edition is 'Time to act - on the climate emergency'

**Lesley Williams has received 10 copies and has 4 left : contact her** if you would like to read one

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**GOOD NEWS! PARISH HOLIDAY Weymouth 2021** our wonderful friendly coach operator Gordon has secured the following for us : The Crown Hotel, situated on the river 5 to 10 mins from the sea. It's slightly more expensive than the one we'd booked in October but is a better class of hotel.

**Monday 5th April 2021 at a cost of £389 pp** - four days half board.

12 single rooms are included in the price. Please look to the future and **SIGN UP NOW**

[pat.silverpolo@gmail.com](mailto:pat.silverpolo@gmail.com) 01235 799 717 07929 879 104

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**The earth has yielded its produce; God, our God, blesses us Psalm 67: 6**

## COLLECTS FOR THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 20 September

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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. **AMEN**

### Post Communion prayer

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We have put a new button on our web site! Our supporters can now easily make a one off payment online. It will take you to the 'give a little' web site where you can decide how much you would like to give. You can also scan this image and go straight there!

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/49eef694-09d1-4ee3-8810-6ac86d972e6c>

<b>TODAY'S READINGS</b>	<b>20.09.20</b>	<b>fifteenth Sunday after Trinity</b>	<b>proper 20</b>
Exodus 16 2-15	Philippians 1 21-30	Matthew 20	1-16
<b>NEXT WEEK'S READINGS</b>	<b>27.09.20</b>	<b>sixteenth Sunday after Trinity</b>	<b>proper 21</b>
Exodus 17 1-7	Philippians 2 1-13	Matthew 21	23-32

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