



# St John's, Pevensey Road



# Pews News & Service Sheet for Sunday 10th July 2022

# The Fourth Sunday after Trinity: Sea Sunday

With Baptism and Confirmation by Bishop Laurie, and also celebrating Deacon Michael's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination

# Welcome to today's Mass at St John's

#### <u>This week:</u>

Morning Prayer, 9 a.m. Mon, Tues, Thurs, in Saint Peter's Chapel; Friday in Church

Church open weekdays, where possible. Midweek Mass: Weds 10 a.m, St Peter's Chapel Online "Zoom" service: Wednesday at 10 a.m. Please contact the church administrator on admstjohns30@gmail.com, to put you in touch with the organizers for a "link" to join in

# Morning Coffee: Friday 10 - 12 noon in Church

# Our prayers are asked for:

Geraldine, Amber, Don F, Sue T, Eve G, Alison N, Pat P, David D, Denise H, Mike, Jean & Geoff, Ann, Pat, Jon W, Anne, and Peter S.

### Please pray also for...

the repose of the souls of the recently departed,

and those whose Years Minds fall around this time: Ahava Green, Mary Quartey-Cofie, Angela Bennett,

and all who mourn.

TODAY, Rev'd Michael T is celebrating ten years as a Deacon, having been ordained by Bishop Mark Sowerby on June 30th 2012, and he invites us to join him for wine and cake after this service.



Caring for seafarers around the world Registered charity no: 212432 There are collection boxes at the back of church, if you would like to give a donation towards the work of "The Mission to Seafarers" charity.

Do you have an item, prayer list update, or info for the Pews News? Please send to pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com by 9 p.m. on Thursdays. Thank you!



Please support and pray for today's Candidates:

Baptism and Confirmation: Tamara Alister Tim

Confirmation: Yael Tricia Dennis Barrie Roy

The LGBT+ group summer meeting will be a bring&share lunch at Mike and Clare's on Saturday 23 July. For further details email cw1stjohns@gmail.com

We are hoping the weather will be good so we can be in the garden but whatever the weather we look forward to seeing you.

### Introit: O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace

(Tye)

### **Opening Hymn**

He who would valiant be 'gainst all disaster, let him in constancy follow the Master. There's no discouragement shall make him once relent his first avowed intent to be a pilgrim.

Who so beset him round with dismal stories, do but themselves confound his strength the more is. No foes shall stay his might, though he with giants fight: he will make good his right to be a pilgrim.

Since, Lord, thou dost defend us with thy Spirit, we know we at the end shall life inherit. Then fancies flee away! I'll fear not what they say, I'll labour night and day to be a pilgrim. John Bunyan (1628-88) and Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)

### Welcoming of the people

Bishop The Lord be with you All and also with you

Bishop Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. All Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

### *Bishop* There is one body and one spirit. *All* **There is one hope to which we were called;**

*Bishop* one Lord, one faith, one baptism, *All* one God and Father of all.

*Bishop* Peace be with you. *All* **And also with you.** 

### **The Collect**

# The Bishop introduces the Collect with the words 'Let us pray'

Heavenly Father, by the power of your Holy Spirit you give to your faithful people new life in the water of baptism. Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit, that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love, and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit now and for ever. *All* **Amen.** 

### A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

#### Deuteronomy 30.9-14

Moses spoke to the people, saying, The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

> For the Word of the Lord <u>All</u> Thanks be to God

# A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians

#### Colossians 1.1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

### For the Word of the Lord *A*//**Thanks be to God**

# **Hymn** during which the Gospel is brought amongst us

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here. Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear. In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground. Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned. How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place, he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace. No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him; be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

David J Evans

### **Gospel Reading**

*Dcn* Alleluia, alleluia. I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

All Alleluia

Dcn The Lord be with you
All And also with you
Dcn Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
All Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 10.25-37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. *All* **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

#### Sermon

### The Liturgy of Initiation

We remain seated for the **Presentation of the Candidates** 

The candidates stand.

# The Bishop asks those who are candidates for baptism

Do you wish to be baptized? I do.

# The Bishop asks the candidates for confirmation who have been baptised

Have you been baptised in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit? I have.

#### The Bishop asks **all** the candidates

Are you ready with your own mouth and from your own heart to affirm your faith in Jesus Christ? I am.

The congregation stands.

### The Bishop addresses the whole congregation:

Faith is the gift of God to his people. In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling. People of God, will you welcome these candidates and uphold them in their life in Christ?

All With the help of God, we will.

# The Decision

### The Paschal Candle may be lit. The Bishop addresses the candidates and the whole congregation

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.

To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him. Therefore Lask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

### All I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

### All I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour? All I repent of them.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour? All I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord? All I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life? All I come to Christ.

# The Bishop says

May God who has given you the desire to follow Christ give you strength to continue in the Way. All Amen.

### Signing with the Cross

### The Bishop makes the sign of the cross on each baptism candidate's forehead, saying

Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross.

## The Bishop then says

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

All Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ against sin, the world and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.

# The Bishop says

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness, restore in you the image of his glory, and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

All Amen.

### The ministers and candidates for confirmation gather at the baptismal font.

### **Prayer over the Water**

**Bishop** Praise God who made heaven and earth.

All who keeps his promise for ever.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

*Bishop* We thank you, almighty God, for the gift of water to sustain, refresh and cleanse all life.

Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.

Through water you led the children of Israel from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the Promised I and

In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John

and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us from the death of sin to newness of life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism.

In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection.

Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we baptize into his fellowship those who come to him in faith.

Now sanctify this water that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,

they may be cleansed from sin and born again.

Renewed in your image, may they walk by the light of faith

and continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord;

to whom with you and the Holy Spirit

be all honour and glory, now and for ever. *All* **Amen.** 

# The Profession of Faith

#### The Bishop addresses the congregation

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess, together with these candidates, the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

All I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# Baptism

The Bishop may address the candidates for baptism by name, saying

*N*, is this your faith?

the candidate replies

This is my faith.

# The Bishop pours water on them, saying

*Bishop N*, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**  *Bishop* May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church, pour upon you the riches of his grace, that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit, and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.

#### All Amen.

The Confirmation candidates who have been previously baptised may come forward to the font and sign themselves with water

# The Bishop invites all who have been baptised to join him saying:

Almighty God, we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith with all who have been baptized into your name. Keep us faithful to our baptism, and so make us ready for that day when the whole creation shall be made perfect in your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

# The Bishop and the candidates then gather at the place of confirmation.

### Confirmation

The Bishop stands before the candidates, and says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord *All* who has made heaven and earth.

Blessed be the name of the Lord *All* **now and for ever. Amen.**  The Bishop extends his hands towards the candidates and says:

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given these your servants new birth

in baptism by water and the Spirit, and have forgiven them all their sins. Let your Holy Spirit rest upon them: the Spirit of wisdom and understanding; the Spirit of counsel and inward strength; the Spirit of knowledge and true godliness;

and let their delight be in the fear of the Lord.

All Amen.

#### The candidates kneel in turn before the Bishop, who anoints them with the Oil of Chrism, and says to each one

N, God has called you by name and made you his own.

# He then lays his hand on each candidate's head, saying

Confirm, O Lord, your servant with your Holy Spirit. *All* **Amen.** 

The Bishop invites the congregation to pray for the candidates, on whom his hands have been laid

All Defend, O Lord, these your servants with your heavenly grace, that they may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more until they come to your everlasting kingdom. Amen.

### Commission

# The Bishop may use this Commission

Those who are baptized are called to worship and serve God.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

# All With the help of God, I will.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

All With the help of God, I will.

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ? *All* With the help of God, I will.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all people,

loving your neighbour as yourself? <u>A// With the help of God, I will.</u>

Will you acknowledge Christ's authority over human society,

by prayer for the world and its leaders, by defending the weak, and by seeking peace and justice?

# All With the help of God, I will.

May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith,

that you may be rooted and grounded in love

and bring forth the fruit of the Spirit. *All* **Amen.** 

# **Prayers of Intercession**

As a royal priesthood, let us pray to the Father through Christ who ever lives to intercede for us.

Reveal your kingdom among the nations; may peace abound and justice flourish...

Your name be hallowed.
All Your kingdom come.

Send down upon us the gift of the Spirit and renew your Church with power from on high...

Your name be hallowed. *All* Your kingdom come.

Deliver the oppressed, strengthen the weak, heal and restore your creation...

Your name be hallowed. *All* Your kingdom come.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the Church on earth,

we join our prayers with all the saints in glory...

Your name be hallowed.

All Your kingdom come.

# The Peace

### The Bishop introduces the Peace

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us, and as a pledge of what is to come has given us the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you *All* and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We may exchange a sign of peace, with those around us.

#### **Offertory Hymn**

During which the table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

I, the Lord of sea and sky,I have heard My people cry.All who dwell in dark and sin,My hand will save.I who made the stars of night,I will make their darkness bright.Who will bear My light to them?Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord, is it I Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them, They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone. I will speak My word to them, Whom shall I send? *Here I am Lord...* 

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them, My hand will save Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied. I will give My life to them, Whom shall I send? *Here I am Lord...* Daniel L. Schutte, SJ

### **Preparation of the Table**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life. *All* **Blessed be God for ever.** 

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,

fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The Bishop takes the bread and wine.

### The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here **All His Spirit is with us.** 

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All** It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;

in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away you did not reject us,

but came to meet us in your Son.

All You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us. *All* He opened his arms of love upon the cross, and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends

he took bread, and gave you thanks;

he broke it and gave it to them, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

All Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his body is the bread of life.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,

he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,

which is shed for you

for the forgiveness of sins;

do this in remembrance of me.

# All Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his blood is shed for all.

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,

send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine

may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

# **All** As we eat and drink these holy gifts

# make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

With your whole Church throughout the world

we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

# The Lord's Prayer

Raised again with Christ in the power of the Spirit, we say:

#### All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

# **Breaking of the Bread**

*Bishop* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

# We sit as Agnus Dei is sung:

All Jesus, Lamb of God, Have mercy on us Jesus, bearer of our sins, Have mercy on us Jesus, redeemer of the world, Give us your peace

### **Giving of Communion**

The Bishop says the invitation to communion.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

# All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,

but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Please follow the direction of the sidesperson, and bow your head if you prefer to receive a blessing.

Anthem: Never weather beaten sail (Charles Wood)

#### **Communion Hymn**

Will your anchor hold in the storms of life, when the clouds unfold their wings of strife? When the strong tides lift, and the cables strain, will your anchor drift, or firm remain?

We have an anchor that keeps the soul steadfast and sure while the billows roll; fastened to the Rock which cannot move, grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love!

Will your anchor hold in the straits of fear, when the breakers roar and the reef is near? While the surges rage, and the wild winds blow, shall the angry waves then your bark o'erflow?

Will your anchor hold in the floods of death, when the waters cold chill your latest breath? On the rising tide you can never fail, while your anchor holds within the veil.

Will your eyes behold through the morning light the city of gold and the harbour bright? Will you anchor safe by the heavenly shore, when life's storms are past for evermore? *Priscilla Jane Owens* 

#### **Prayer after Communion**

*The Bishop prays the Post Communion for the day:* 

#### Eternal God,

comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord *All* **Amen.** 

All Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off, you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Notices**

### The Blessing

The God of all grace,

who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus,

establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith;

and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

# Giving of a Lighted Candle

# The newly baptised are given a lighted candle, and the Bishop says

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light.

You have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

# All Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

# **Final hymn**

Christ triumphant, ever-reigning, Saviour, Master, King! Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining, hear us as we sing: Yours the glory and the crown, the high renown, the eternal name.

Word incarnate, truth revealing, Son of Man on earth! Power and majesty concealing by your humble birth: Yours the glory...

Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated, victim crucified! Death is through the cross defeated, sinners justified: Yours the glory...

Priestly king, enthroned for ever high in heaven above! Sin and death and hell shall never stifle hymns of love: Yours the glory...

So, our hearts and voices raising through the ages long, ceaselessly upon you gazing, this shall be our song: Yours the glory...

Michael Saward (born 1932)

# Dismissal

**Bishop** The Lord be with you All And also with you

> All May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

**Bishop** May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace...

All and rise in glory. Amen.

*Deacon* Go in the light and peace of Christ. All Thanks be to God.

> Organ voluntary: Sortie in E flat (Lefebure-Wely)



Please do stay for coffee, wine and cake after today's service



Tomorrow, July 11<sup>th</sup>, the church commemorates **St Benedict** (c.480 – c.550) - an abbot and the author of the famous Rule that bears his name. His monks' primary occupation was liturgical prayer, which was complemented by sacred reading and manual work of various kinds.

Benedict's own personality shines through this Rule: he was wise, discreet, flexible, learned in the law of God, but also a spiritual father to his community. Benedict's Rule came to be recognised as the fundamental monastic code of Western Europe in the early Middle Ages. Because of his Rule, monasteries became centres of learning, agriculture, hospitality, and medicine. Thus, Benedict came to influence the lives of millions of people.



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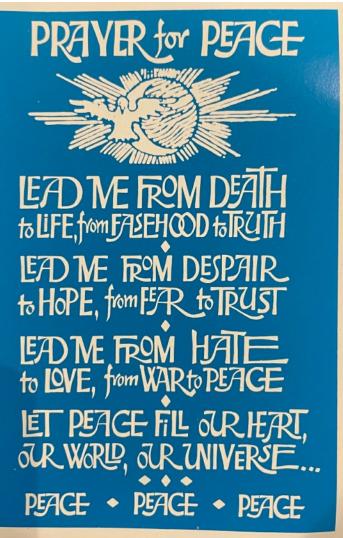
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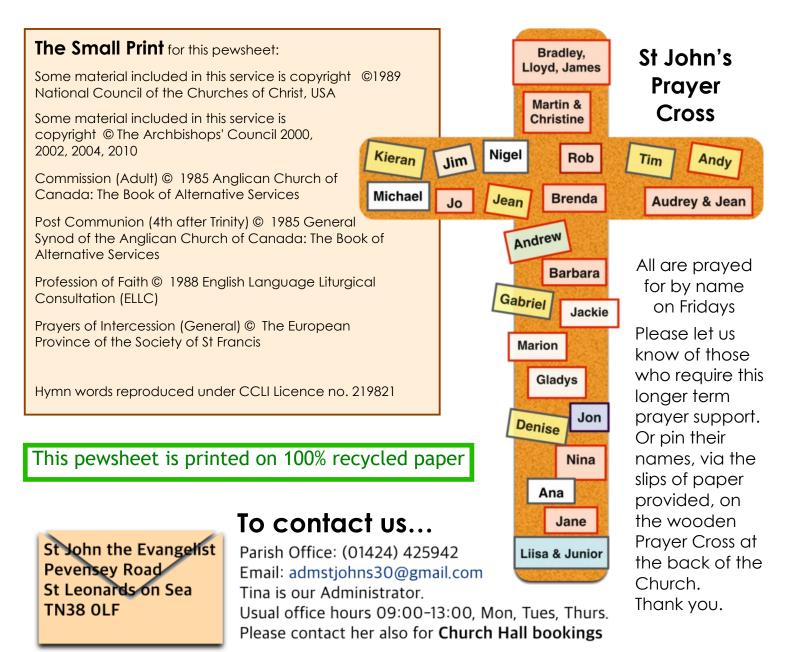


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