

11th June 2020

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Dear Parishioners,

I hope you have had a good week.

Please see enclosed reflection by Steve Sheldon for this Sunday 14th June, the First Sunday after Trinity.

Please also find enclosed copy of the June and July edition of 'The Beacon' magazine. As you can see, our Beacon Parishes Mission Community Magazine continues to be full of great news, letters and articles despite the 'lockdown'. I also enclose a copy of the April and May edition of 'The Beacon' in case you were unable to obtain that in April.

The weekly Sunday Worship Service broadcast by BBC1 on the television this Sunday, the first Sunday after Trinity, 10.45am to 11.15am, is being broadcast from Holy Trinity Platt Church in Manchester. It is being led by Sarah Bradley, Youth and Children's Minister. The preacher is Rev'd Dr Paul Mathole and the service will include hymns recorded by Songs of Praise in 2017.

Also on BBC1 this Sunday at 1.15pm, Aled Jones is in Painshill Park, Surrey for Songs of Praise 'Worship in the Great Outdoors', looking back at stories of people who find spiritual inspiration in the great outdoors.

BBC Radio 4 (92-95 FM, 103-105 FM) includes the following daily broadcasts between from 5.43am to 5.45am:

Monday to Saturday – 'Prayer for the Day' Sundays – 'Bells on Sunday'

This Sunday, 'Bells on Sunday' comes from the Church of St-John-the-Baptist, Great Gaddesden in Hertfordshire.

For free phoneline access (free from any landline) 24 hours a day throughout the week for hymns, reflections and prayers, call 0800 804 8044. For further details about this telephone service, if you have access to the internet, please see:

www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/news/archbishop-canterbury-launches-free-dial-worship-phone-line-during

If you do have internet access and an email address and would prefer to receive these newsletters by email rather than by post, please send an email to me: office@beaconparishes.co.uk

Sadly no public services will be held in our churches for the foreseeable future but we hope to update you next week with our arrangements for opening the churches for private prayer with careful consideration for hand sanitising on entering and leaving the church and social distancing of a minimum of 2m between people from different households at all times.

Kind regards and best wishes

Caren Martin PA to the Rector Enc.