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We trust and pray that you are all keeping well through this difficult time. We praise the Lord that we have this wonderful weather which helps make everything more bearable. If you need help please do follow up the offers on the front webpage.

Our thanks go to James and Paul for making our Sunday services available online, music included, and to James for daily morning and evening prayer on Facebook.

You will find some useful prayers on the next page to use in the current climate. Let us pray that before long we can be re-united in worship in our beautiful church.

Don't forget you can watch online services from Newick and Barcombe by visiting their webpages on Facebook.

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

[www.Barcombe.net/church](http://www.Barcombe.net/church)

## NEWS IN THE PEWS

# Welcome

SUNDAY 17th May 2020

*The fifth Sunday after Easter*

*Liturgical Year A*



### Today's Readings

**8am**

**James 1: 22-27**

*Page 1213 of your pew bible*

**John 16: 23-33**

*Page 1085 of your pew bible*

**10.00am**

**Genesis 8: 20—9:17**

*Page 10 of your pew bible*

**Acts 17: 22-31**

*Page 1113 of your pew bible*

**John 14: 15-21**

*Page 1083 of your pew bible*

Please continue to fill your Smartie tubes. Should they overflow you can return them in a bag when church reopens. We pray you stay safe and well. We miss you all.

In your prayers this week please remember those who are ill especially

**Stephen & Julie, Julian and Troy, Gemma Peacock, Alesha Stepney, Suzi Novis, Pat Stepney, Chris Ruane, John and Gaye Miller Maskell.**

We pray too for the recently departed, especially **Paul Coles** and for all those whose anniversaries fall at this time, may they rest in peace and rise in glory.

## SOME HELPFUL PRAYERS FOR OUR CURRENT SITUATION

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.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us to love our neighbour, and to care for those  
in need as if we were caring for you.

In this time of anxiety, give us strength to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick,  
and to assure the isolated of our love, and your love, for your name's sake.

**Amen.**

God of compassion, be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation.

In their loneliness, be their consolation; in their anxiety, be their hope; in their  
darkness, be their light; through him who suffered alone on the cross,  
but reigns with you in glory,

Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Merciful God, we entrust to your tender care those who are ill or in pain,  
knowing that whenever danger threatens your everlasting arms are there to  
hold them safe.

Comfort and heal them, and restore them to health and strength;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Gracious God, give skill, sympathy and resilience to all who are caring for the  
sick, and your wisdom to those searching for a cure.

Strengthen them with your Spirit, that through their work many will be restored  
to health;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Message from the Chair of Chailey Parish Council

Covid 19 poses a major threat to our nation, both in terms of public health and of future economic development and prosperity. It poses a huge challenge to businesses, especially to small firms. It also poses a major threat to individual lives and to families' happiness, welfare and prosperity. All levels of government have a role to play in helping to meet these challenges, even the Parish Council, although inevitably, our role will necessarily be limited.

Your Parish Council have collaborated with organisations and public - spirited individuals in the village to establish and support Chailey Support Group – Covid 19. We have sought to maintain our functions and, on 21st April, became one of the first councils in East Sussex to hold a totally virtual Council meeting, thanks to the wonders of Zoom technology. It is a tribute to the spirit of Chailey that so many villagers, unprompted, are helping to support neighbours in lock down and/or under shielding, to obtain supplies of food, prescriptions and other necessities. Chailey has risen to the challenge. Chailey had shown that, even though it is a large and geographically dispersed village, it is very close indeed in terms of positive and practical help and support. Thank you all so much.

Covid 19 has – and will continue to -disrupt many planned events and activities. Not the least of these is the 75th Anniversary of VE Day on 8th May. There will not now be on that day a special church service at St. Peter's nor a fete organised by the Bonfire Society. We hope that it might be possible to rearrange something similar on Saturday 15th August, the 75th Anniversary of VJ DAY, but that will depend on progress in defeating or taming the virus and the consequential easing of the lock down and the easing of social distancing.

Your Parish Council has decided to mark the 75th Anniversary of VE DAY by donating a bench with a suitably engraved plaque to be erected somewhere appropriate in the village – the precise location will be determined at the virtual parish council meeting on 19th May. (Please e-mail or telephone the Parish Clerk, Mrs Newell, with your suggestions about a possible location.) The bench itself is a generous gift from Councillor John Millam in memory of both his grandfather, who served in the Great War and returned to Chailey where he established a forge on Chailey Green, and his father who served in the Merchant Navy during the Second World War.

The bench and the plaque will be the Parish Council's tribute to all the men and women of the village who served in both World Wars and whose indomitable spirit, shared today by all NHS staff and social care workers, postmen and dustmen and all other key workers will help us, together , to overcome Covid- 19.

Ken Jordan, Chair of Chailey Parish Council.