

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2024**  
**Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

10.00 a.m. Family Communion with Children's Church  
4.00 p.m. Pet Service

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**Collect for Today**

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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**Service Readings**

Amos 7:7-15 (*p.870*), Ephesians 1:3-14 (*p.189*) and Mark 6:14-29 (*p.39*)

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**Please pray for**

... Jan & Mark Knott, Del May, Jean Read, Paul Young and Roger Young.

... the family and friends of John Evans and Geoffrey Horsley whose anniversary of death is at this time.

... those who live and work in Bannisters Road, Beechcroft Drive, Benbrick Road and Bray Road.

... the Koens family in Papua New Guinea supporting the work of Bible translation through vehicle maintenance, teaching, missionary care.

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**Post Communion Prayer**

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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**Donations**

These are the ways we encourage everyone to give:

- The collection during the third hymn
- The collection plate at the back
- The contactless donation machine at the back
- The QR code to take you to our online giving page
- By setting up a standing order to All Saints

*Don't forget to Gift Aid if you can! Thank you.*



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## **Dear Friends**

Our Gospel reading for today focusses a particularly gruesome event – the beheading of John the Baptist. John had the courage to challenge King Herod about his adultery, after he had taken his brother's wife Herodias to be his own. Herodias was so incensed that she persuaded her daughter to ask Herod for John's head on a platter; a particularly poor example of parenting, to say the least!

But this passage, and also our reading from the prophet Amos, remind us that 'speaking out' is part of our calling as Christians. That may mean speaking out against violence, against injustice, about corruption. It might mean speaking up for peace and reconciliation in our world.

Back in 1990 the Anglican Communion put together a document called, 'The Five Marks of Mission'. It was a summary of the key aspects of living as a Christian in our world today. It was agreed by 42 churches who are in communion with the See of Canterbury, and represented churches in over 165 countries throughout the world.

The 'Five Marks of Mission' were identified as the following:

1. To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
2. To teach, baptise and nurture new believers
3. To respond to human need by loving service
4. To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation
5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

In our morning service today we'll be focussing on that 4th Mark of Mission – one which embraces the message of the prophets, and sometimes gets overlooked.

**Beverly**

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## **Mission Focus for July: United Society Partners in the Gospel (USPG)**

USPG has been one of the foremost outreach organisations of the Church of England since its formation in the early 18th century. All Saints has been supporting the work of USPG for a great many years, as one of the beneficiaries of the annual financial support budget for mission organisations. The emphasis is now on the word "Partners", as USPG works in collaboration with local churches and communities on valuable local projects in more than 50 countries around the world, particularly in Africa and Asia. Project work includes provision of clinics for treatment of HIV and AIDS cases, and also education and work skills training programmes.

## Notices

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**Pet Service TODAY at 4pm:** All pets are welcome to celebrate all that they mean to us and to receive a blessing. If your pet is too shy, then please come along with a photo! We'll have refreshments afterwards!

**TONIGHT Youth Group - new members!** At Youth Group at 5.30pm we'll be welcoming any year 6 children to come along for a BBQ. We'll be chatting about moving to secondary school along with playing table tennis, and games on the field if it's nice. Do invite your friends along and let Jeanette know if you're planning to come ([jeanette.whiteman@gmail.com](mailto:jeanette.whiteman@gmail.com))

**Safeguarding Training:** If you've received an email from Julie regarding safeguarding training, we'd be grateful if you could treat this as a matter of urgency. (We are aware that there is currently no capacity for Leadership training, but please keep checking the website).

**Hard of Hearing:** The next hearing clinic is TOMORROW, 15<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm in the Reading Room. At 3pm the Hard of Hearing Group will meet and the topic this time is 'fêtes and fairs we have been to and enjoyed'. Do come and join us.

**Dray Court Service:** Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm. Revd Canon Chris Hollingshurst from the cathedral is leading the service for us this month. If you have time, it would be lovely if you could show your support and come along to this service in our local community.

**BCP Communion in July:** we'll be moving this service from 21<sup>st</sup> July at 8am to Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 8am (this is because we've been unable to find cover whilst Beverly is away)

**Tea Time Church on Sunday 21st July.** Revd Paul Fenner will be leading an informal Communion Service for us, at 4pm. Please do come and join us!

**Young Adults Summer BBQ:** Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July, 3pm-8pm. Have a chat with Henrietta or Martyn if you're interested in coming.

**Deanery Synod Meeting:** Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July, 7.30pm at St Mary's Shalford. This will include a presentation from the Local Ministry Programme Team. Simon Doran and Marguerite Barclay are our current representatives on Deanery Synod.

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## Diary for the Coming Week

**Morning prayer Mon, Tues, Weds 9.15am in the Reading Room and Zoom.**

**Thurs Holy Communion at 9.30am in the Reading Room.**

Mon 15<sup>th</sup>   Hearing Clinic, Reading Room, 2.00pm  
              Hard of Hearing Group, Reading Room, 3.00pm  
              Big Build Steering Group, Vicarage, 7.30pm

Weds 17<sup>th</sup>   Dray Court Service, 2.30pm  
              Mission Vision Group, 4 Litchfield Way, 5.30pm

Thurs 18<sup>th</sup>   Holy Communion, Church, Revd Julian Hubbard, 9.30am

Friday 19<sup>th</sup>   Baby & Toddler Group, Church, 9.30am  
              Friday Group, Reading Room, 3.00pm

Sat 20<sup>th</sup>     Prayer Breakfast, 8.30am

Sun 21<sup>st</sup>     Morning Worship, 10.00am  
              Tea-Time Church with Communion, Reading Room, 4.00pm

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## Daily Readings for the coming week

Mon 15<sup>th</sup>   Ps. 1, 1 Samuel 10:1-16, Luke 22:24-30

Tues 16<sup>th</sup>   Ps. 5, 1 Samuel 10:17-end, Luke 22:31-38

Weds 17<sup>th</sup>   Ps. 119:1-32, 1 Samuel 11, Luke 22:39-46

Thurs 18<sup>th</sup>   Ps. 15, 1 Samuel 12, Luke 22:47-62

Fri 19<sup>th</sup>    Ps. 19, 1 Samuel 13:5-18, Luke 22:63-end

Sat 20<sup>th</sup>    Ps. 23, 1 Samuel 19:1-18, Luke 23:1-12

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## Service Readings for Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July: Trinity 8

Jeremiah 23:1-6, Ephesians 2:11-end and Mark 6:30-34, 53-end

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