

Sunday 14th October 2018

20th Sunday after Trinity

GIFT DAY

10.00am Holy Communion

President & Preacher Revd Sr. Elizabeth Shearcroft, C.A.,

Job 23:1-9, 16-17

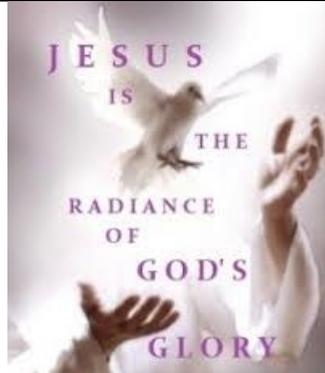
OT page 482

Hebrews 4:12-16

NT page 217

Mark 10:17-31

NT page 44



For your prayer time ~

Scripture verse for
reflection found in
the readings today

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7th October 2018

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Readings: Job 1:1, 2:1-10 OT page 464
Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12 NT page 215
Mark 10:2-16 NT page 44

Diary Dates

Tuesday 9th October - Immanuel Prays - our prayer group
meets at 7.30 pm in the Chapel.

Thursday 11th October - CAIAS - 10:30 am in the Common
Room. This week's topic: Knitter Natter

Sunday 14th October - Gift Day - See notice inside

Tuesday 6th November - Memorial and Thanksgiving Service -
See notice inside.

Wednesday 21st November - PCC Meeting - 8:00 pm in the
Common Room.

Immanuel Prays!

The next meetings will be at 7.30pm in the Chapel on:

Tuesday 9 th October	Monday 15 th October
Monday 22 nd October	Monday 29 th October
Monday 12 th November	Monday 19 th November

(No meeting in the week of 5th November - instead we have the Memorial and Thanksgiving Service - see below.)

All are welcome! You don't have to pray out loud at the meeting if you are not comfortable with doing that - God can hear silent prayer! The meeting usually lasts about 45 minutes.

If you are unable to attend but would like us to pray for you or someone you know, please contact either Lorraine Thomas or Marion Gray.

NEXT WEEK

Our Gift Day this year is Sunday October 14th 2018.

The three charities we are supporting this year are St. Michael's Fellowship, Streatham, Refugees Welcome Lambeth and the Church Mission Society (through which we support our Mission Partners, Tony and Katherine Paton in South East Asia and Katy and Ben Ray in Tanzania).

As Gift Day approaches please consider prayerfully your offering towards the work of each of these Missions. As in previous years, envelopes for our contributions will be available and our total Gift Offering, matched up to £2000 by your PCC from our income, will be divided between them. The envelopes will be available up to mid-November; please be sure you make your donation by then - thank you.

For your Diary ~ Memorial & Thanksgiving Service ~ Tuesday 6th November, 2018 at 8.00 pm

We are very grateful to Ven. Simon Gates for agreeing to lead a special Service for all of us at Immanuel who have experienced bereavement. Put the date in your diary now ~ further details nearer the time.

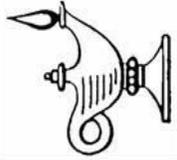
Prayer Pointers

- Give thanks for the family of God at Immanuel & St. Andrew and pray for God's continuing guidance for our ministry through the Parish Renewal Pilot as we seek to **know Jesus, and make him known**. Give thanks for all who are supporting us in our explorations and cherish the freedom to worship openly seeking to walk more closely with God.
- Give thanks for our school and all who contribute to its life. Pray that God will raise up a replacement foundation Governor for Clair who steps down in December and thank God for all Clair has done.
- Pray for any who are unwell or infirm, that they will know God's healing presence. Give thanks for those caring for them.
- Pray for our Junior Church and its valuable ministry.
- Pray for Delores Coombs and her family and Andrew Baber and his family in the initial devastation of their recent bereavements.
- Give thanks and pray for the work of our chosen Gift Day charities.

Junior Church

We rejoice that our Junior Church has recommenced and it will be running on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month for the time being. We thank all those who lead and help with Junior Church. Pray for them all, especially those who have recently offered to help, and for those sorting DBS and training.

GDPR ~ New General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) law requires us to gain your consent for Immanuel and St. Andrew to hold and use your data to enable us to communicate with you about the life of your church. **Consent forms** are available in the rack in the church foyer. Please hand completed forms to David Gray or Elaine Owen. The form is also on our website at: <http://www.immanuelstreatham.org.uk/data-protection.htm> .



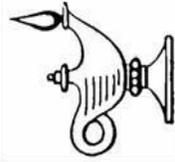
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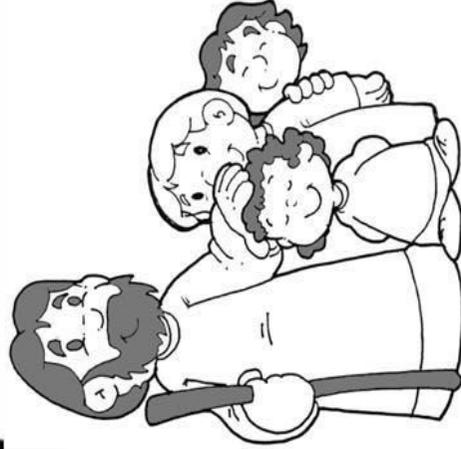
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As we got exhausted a few members of our church ended up doing the majority of what is needed to keep our church functioning and we need to release them from what has become duty rather than service! There are many levels to this and many opportunities arising for others to offer ‘to have a go’.

Give thanks that our ministry to children is regenerating and support those raised to share God’s love in this way.

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