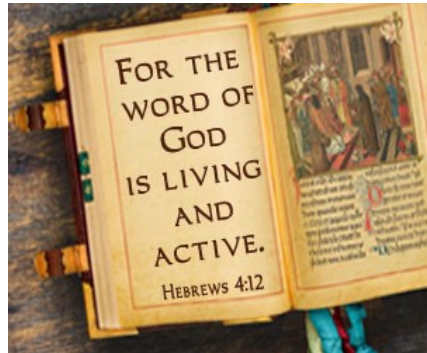


Sunday 21st October 2018
21st Sunday after Trinity
10.00am Holy Communion
GIFT DAY

Readings:

Job 38:1-7, (34-41) OT page 494
Hebrews 5:1-10 NT page 217
Mark 10:35-45 NT page 45



For your prayer time ~

Scripture verse for
reflection found in
the readings today

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20th Sunday after Trinity
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(see notice inside)

10.00am Holy Communion

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

Readings

Job 23:1-9, 16-17	OT page 482
Hebrews 4:12-16	NT page 217
Mark 10:17-31	NT page 44

Diary Dates

- Monday 15th October - Immanuel Prays** - our prayer group meets at 7.30 pm in the Chapel.
- Thursday 18th October - CAIAS** - 10:30 am in the Common Room. This week's topic: Knitting & Natter Blanket Project
- Friday 19th October** ~ Funeral of Michael Coombs, 12.45 pm at Croydon Crematorium, Mitcham Lane, and afterwards at Immanuel.
- 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:

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.

THIS WEEK Today is our Gift Day

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).

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 that we raise a 'team' to run our Fairtrade stall, thanking God for the years that Carolle and Catherine have contributed.
- 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 mourning Michael. Andrew Baber and his family mourning Sandra and Angie Grant and her family mourning Loretta Reddish, and for those who minister to them.
- Give thanks, pray for the work of our chosen Gift Day charities and ask God for a generous heart.

Congratulations to Rhys Smith, a former pupil at Immanuel and Saint Andrew CE Primary School and was a member of junior church ~ Rhys played for England at hockey against Belgium last week. We know that Leo his mother who also was a church member is very proud of him. Arthur



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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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Clair has indicated that she needs to relinquish being a Foundation Governor at the end of this year to enable her to concentrate on the other ministries God has called her to. Are you the person God is preparing to join our brilliant team of school governors. Talk to Clair or Simon about this rewarding ministry ~ you could be the right person and not know it!

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