



The Theydon Parishes

8th November 2020

Remembrance Sunday



The Church of England
in Essex and East London
Diocese of Chelmsford

BENEFICE VISION

Core values: Faith, love and community.

We seek to live these value by welcoming all, caring and teaching so that we may change lives through sharing the love of God in Christ.

**THEYDON BOIS ST MARY'S
THEYDON GARNON ALL SAINTS
STAPLEFORD TAWNEYST MARY'S
THEYDON MOUNT ST MICHAEL'S**

A short online service is available on Sunday - it can be found on the Benefice website (www.theydonparishes.org/recorded-services/).

Sunday 6.00pm Said Evening Prayer on Zoom

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78727122848?pwd=N3BkNFFvanNOK1pTNGxSUnppQ1R4UT09>

Meeting ID: 787 2712 2848 Passcode: t9uymc

Wednesday 10.00am Morning Prayer on Zoom

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74592812873?pwd=Uk5YM2tmTm1FbWRnL01DVENmNksxdz09>

Meeting ID: 745 9281 2873 Passcode: 64de5M

Although the church buildings are closed, the church is not. Resources for prayer and worship can be found on the Benefice website; to request paper copies please contact the Vicar.

Sunday morning readings: 1 Thessalonians 4.13-end; Matthew 25.1-13, Psalm 70

Collect for Remembrance Sunday

Lord of the nations,

Saviour and judge of all:

remove from human hearts all bitterness and hate,

grant to those who have died in war your mercy and forgiveness

and bring us all to the peace of your eternal Kingdom;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, who suffered and died,

and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, world without end. **Amen.**

THIS WEEK IN THE THEYDON PARISHES

Monday	8.00pm	All Saints Theydon Garnon PCC on Zoom
Tuesday-Thursday		Morning and Evening Prayer - reflections posted on The Theydon Parishes Facebook page
Wednesday	10.00am	Morning Prayer on Zoom

GENERAL NOTICES

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

As a result of the decisions made by government, services in the Theydon Parishes are moving online from this Sunday. A recorded service for Remembrance Sunday, including elements from all the parishes can be found on Sunday at

www.theydonparishes.org/recorded-services

St Michael's TM will be open for private prayer over the period when the act of Remembrance would usually take place.

A small wreath laying service will be held in the churchyard at St Mary's Theydon Bois on Sunday 8th November at 10.45am to which the following groups are invited (as defined in law): people attending as part of their work (such as local councillors, local faith leaders, the local MP), people attending in a voluntary capacity on behalf of a recognised organisation, members of the armed forces, veterans of the armed forces, and/or their representatives or carers. The choir of St Mary's will lead the singing of a hymn and the National Anthem. If you are planning to attend in one of the categories above and are not laying a pre-arranged wreath please book in by email to vicar@theydonparishes.org

PRIVATE PRAYER IN CHURCH BUILDINGS

Following the recent changes to the measures in law, all buildings of the Theydon Parishes are available for private prayer. These arrangements will be from Tuesday 10th November onwards.

St Mary's Theydon Bois	Sundays	2.00pm-3.00pm
	Thursdays	10.00am-12.00pm
All Saints Theydon Garnon	Tuesdays & Saturdays	10.00am-11.00am
St Mary's Stapleford Tawney	Wednesdays	10.00am-sunset
	1st & 3rd Sundays of the month	10.00am-sunset
St Michael's Theydon Mount	2nd & 4th Sundays of the month	10.00am-12.00pm

SUNDAY AND MIDWEEK SERVICES

Services are not taking place in our church buildings at present. As was the case earlier in the year, a weekly recorded service for the Benefice will be posted online at www.theydonparishes.org/recorded-services and services will take place on Zoom on Sundays at 6.00pm and Wednesdays at 10.00am. The church buildings are still available for funeral services if requested.

EVENING PRAYER DURING THE WEEK

In response to the Archbishop's call to prayer during this second lockdown period, Evening Prayer will be said at 6.00pm daily (except Fridays) on Zoom.

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79963997350?pwd=ZDdJbThEL0wxTFJHWGFTZHBiRU5SUT09>
Meeting ID: 799 6399 7350 Passcode: kVT1Lw

Sunday evening services continue to use the links published each week.

EPPING FOREST REUSE,

The Epping based charity which provides furniture and household goods for people in need, wishes to recruit a Charity Manager (3 days a week). For the full job advertisement please contact janet.whitehouse7@gmail.com or rob@eppingreuse.org.uk. The closing date for applications is 14 November. Please will you help to make this job opportunity known.

BOXES OF HOPE

Red Balloon Foundation in partnership with the Theydon Parishes and other statutory agencies are running a time limited project "Boxes of Hope" to provide free food and support for those families financially impacted due to the COVID outbreak. To access support, please visit www.rbf.org.uk/efhope. Boxes are packed every Thursday morning in St Mary's TB Church Hall, and the team are looking for volunteers. Please visit <https://form.jotform.com/redballoonfamily/efbohvolunteeringapplication> or speak to the Vicar for more information.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

The clergy and churchwardens are beginning to make plans for the Christmas services alongside the PCCs of each parish. Due to the continually changing situation, the service pattern for Christmas itself will not be confirmed until the beginning of December at the earliest.

DEMENTIA FRIENDS TRAINING

The Alzheimer's Society will be running a one hour Dementia Friends Training on behalf of the Harlow Archdeaconry Learning Hub at 1.30pm on Thursday 12th November over Zoom. All are welcome.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86387819737?pwd=RVhkbnhqSXRYMFluaU02U0NpanRCUT09>
Meeting ID: 863 8781 9737 Passcode: 969824

GROUPS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

During the period when services are not taking place, groups for children and young people will be suspended as well. As was the case earlier in the year, there will be provisions made to join online groups or receive materials to use at home, more details will be published next week.

A summary of an article from the Church of England newspaper shared by Richard Risdon to encourage us

SOCIAL VALUE OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

An exceptionally interesting report has been issued by the National Churches Trust. (Sometimes as Christians we get a little depressed, but this theme is uplifting.) The Trust estimates that the Church's financial contribution to society is £12.4 billion a year! Before the pandemic, the Church of England said that its Churches were running or supporting 35,000 projects including 8,000 food banks, 40,000 parent-toddler groups, 5,000 lunch clubs or coffee mornings, 2,700 community cafés, 2,400 night shelters, and 2,300 breakfast or holiday clubs for children. These are the basic

services and they exclude the individual contributions of Christians in society; and we must bear in mind that the Church's contribution cannot ever truly be costed because it involves spiritual and salvific value. It is indirectly inspiring of many good works, and amongst its hidden values are health, well-being, prayer and the miraculous. The truth is that faith is priceless.

EPPING FOREST FOOD BANK

The local food bank is still open and seeking donations of food and finances. Please see <https://eppingforest.foodbank.org.uk> to find out more.


There is a box on the Vicarage step for donations which will be taken down to the collection point on behalf of the parishes on a weekly basis. Our clergy team are able to make referrals to the foodbank for those in need of emergency food support.

NEXT SUNDAY'S MORNING READINGS

Zephaniah 1.7,12-end; 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11; Matthew 25.14-30

ITEMS FOR NEXT WEEK'S NOTICE SHEET

Send by 9.00am Tuesday to Sarah Bowen at notices@theydonparishes.org

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