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Sunday 4th May Welcome to All Saints Bingley

Hymn: 201 Give me joy in my heart

Collect: God our Father, from the beginning you have blessed creation with abundant life. Pour out your blessings upon all married couples that they continue to be joined in mutual love and companionship, in holiness and commitment to each other. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

A reading from Acts [9:1-6]

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.'

This is the word of the Lord: Thanks be to God

A reading from 1 Colossians [3:12-17]

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in

you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

This is the word of the Lord: Thanks be to God

Hymn: 428 Love divine, all loves excelling

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John [15:9-17] Glory to you O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord: Praise to you O Christ

Hymn: 413 Lord of all hopefulness

Communion Hymn: 437 Make me a channel

Post Communion Prayer: Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**ⁱ

Hymn: 419 Lord, the light of your love is shining

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We ask God's healing for: Oliver, Christopher, Michelle, Jacob, Mary, Marie, Mary, Alice, Chris, Richard, Edward, Stuart, Stue, Debbie, Chris, Christopher, Janet, Dorothy, Brian, Anne, David, Rosemary, Joyce and John. We pray for those of our congregation in nursing homes and residential care: Janet, Jean & Tony.

We pray for our work with children: Our local schools, Mini Church, Messy Church, Youth Group, First Steps Toddlers and Toddler Praise.

NOTICES

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY EVENT

Come and join us for a Family Fun Afternoon
tomorrow Monday 5th May 2 - 4.30
in All Saints grounds /Church House if wet
Games, Crafts & Maypole dancing for all ages!
£3, family ticket £7 incl. refreshments

Thursday 8th May
Bingley VE Day 80 Celebrations
9.00 pm
Bingley Market Square
Including lighting of beacon

SHEEP STAKES EVENING

6.30 PM FRIDAY 9TH MAY

Come & enjoy a fun evening at St Aidan's
Tickets £8 inc a 2 course supper
Available from Social Committee members
or telephone 01274 594659
Bring your own drinks

The next meeting of the men's group will be on
Tuesday 13th May at 7pm for a SHORT walk
starting at 7pm. For those unable to walk we will
meet in the Chip and Ern from 7.45pm.
We (hopefully) will be having a bowling evening
at Sleninford Bowling Green on WEDNESDAY
11th June (time TBC)

Come along to our Knit & Natter at St Aidan's on
the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at 10am-
11.30am. Knitting skills are not essential...just
natter and enjoy coffee /cake together.

We look forward to seeing you. Carolyn



Sunday 4th May

Third Sunday of Easter

Parish Diary

Sunday 4th May

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| 8.00 am | Holy Communion [BCP] |
| 10.30 am | Parish Eucharist [with celebration of weddings] |
| 12.30 pm | Baptism of Grace Quinn |
| 1.15 pm | Wedding Dress Festival |
| 6.00 pm | Choral Evensong |

Monday 5th May

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| 2.00-4.30 pm | Family Fun afternoon |
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Thursday 8th May

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| 10.30 am | Holy Communion |
| 11.15 am | Community Café |
| 9.00 pm | VE Day 80 Celebration (Market Sq) |

Friday 9th May

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| 6.30 pm | Sheep Stakes Evening at St Aidan's |
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Sunday 11th May

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| 10.30 am | Parish Eucharist |
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Dates for your diary

Wednesday 21st May (weekly until 18th June)
7.00 pm Organ Recitals

Friday 23rd – Saturday 24th May
Ale Saints Beer festival

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| Sunday 1 st June | |
| 6.00 pm | Choral Evensong |

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| Sunday 6 th July | |
| 6.00 pm | Choral Evensong |

Church Opening - the church is open daily for
visitors and private prayer between the hours of
10.00 am and 4.00pm

