WINDRUSH DAY CELEBRATION

The Bishops, Archdeacons and Dean of the Diocese, together with our Area MEACC leads, are calling us to observe two minutes' silence at 11.00am on Windrush Day, tomorrow, Monday 22 June.

Bishop Christopher writes: "I rejoice at and take pride in the diversity within the Diocese of Southwark which I see as God's gift and blessing. We have stood strongly with the **Black Lives Matter** campaign and we want also to lament past and present injustices and wrongs, celebrating the gifts and talents of people of Caribbean heritage and the many ways they have enriched our churches and parishes."

As we spend two minutes in silence, let us contemplate the lives lost in the slave trade; lament the racism and racial inequality built into our national systems and structures since that time; and consider what action we can take to confront racial injustice today. "Let us make Windrush Day 2020, a day when we as a Diocese pledge to change structures of inequality in the Church as we seek to implement our vision of increasing the diversity of lay and ordained leaders in our parishes and institutions."

You might find it helpful to use the prayer written by the Dean for Black Lives Matter at the end of the two minutes' silence:

God of all, who loves each of us for who we are, to whom each life matters, who counts the hairs on our head, who knows when a sparrow falls; teach us to love as you love to respect, to honour, to care and to protect each of our sisters and brothers, that your embracing, including kingdom may come now and your love

be known. Amen





We have put together a montage of images which might help with this. They are of the Revd Dorothy Penniecooke, who was part of the Here I Am celebratory exhibition in 2019; The Southwark Trinity Icon, commissioned in 2018 by Bishop Christopher, which has a boat above the head of the Caribbean Elder on the right hand side; and Eileen Walkin receiving the Lancelot Andrewes medal from Bishop Christopher earlier this year. You might find it helpful to focus on this as you pray for equality and give thanks for all that the Windrush generation and their descendants have brought to our Diocese and our nation.

If marking the silence at 11.00am on Monday, is not possible, spend some time during Monday lamenting, giving thanks for and praying for all those of Caribbean heritage in our wonderfully diverse and vibrant Diocese.

The Rt Revd Jonathan Clark Bishop of Croydon The Venerable Moira Astin Archdeacon of Reigate The Venerable Rosemarie Mallett Archdeacon of Croydon

Welcome to the United Benefice of Holy Innocents & St. Mark, South Norwood

Sharing God's grace and love in our community



21st June 2020

Parish Priest: Mother Roxanne Hunte **Asst. Priest:** Mother Susan Wheeler-Kiley

Second Sunday after Trinity

President, Mother Susan **Preacher,** Mrs. Cicelyn Hinds

8am and I0am Parish Mass

Sunday School (with Ann and Maureen) via: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoyzfpScnrT4W9D8X11 RmDQ



This week's diary

This is to let you know that while the Churches are closed as all public worship is suspended, we continue to pray for all who live, 'work', worship and indeed 'visit' these parishes, as together we give thanks for what God has done for us, despite the unprecedented times in which we find ourselves.

CHURCH NOTICES

Pastoral Care: Mother Roxanne is still available on Tel. 020 8916 1830 or Mobile 07472 662323 or mtrroxanne@gmail.com Mtr. Roxanne is not available on Mondays; or Mother Susan (07890 780572) on Fridays.

For your prayers

For Archbishops Justin; and John in his retirement; for Stephen, Archbishop Elect of York. For Christopher and Jonathan, Richard and Karowei, our bishops in this Diocese. For the bishops in our link Dioceses of Zimbabwe; and Fr. Dupwa and the people of St. Philip, Mkoba Gweru, our link parish in the Diocese of Central Zimbabwe.

For those in any kind of need and those who've asked us to pray for them including the sick – Enid, Alec, Una, Ted, Diane, Mick, Linda, Helen, Jennifer and Reuben, Gloria, Marie-Gabrielle, the Huish family especially Rosie and Martin; the bereaved families – Macmanmon; the recently departed – Barbara Macmanmon; and Years Mind.

Our Churches will be open for private Prayer one day each week, from Thursday, 25th June, 10am-12noon at Holy Innocents; and from Sunday, 28th June, 2pm-4pm St. Mark. Volunteers are needed to make the churches ready for such opening — making the space ready for social-distancing, cleaning, opening and closing.

COLLECT

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth:

send your Holy Spirit

and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,

the true bond of peace and of all virtues,

without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.

Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,

who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 20:7-13

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Jeremiah cried out: O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

PSALM

Psalm 69:8-11. (12-17). 18-20

R In your great mercy, answer me, O God.

Surely, for your sake have I suffered reproach,

and shame has covered my face. I have become a stranger to my own kindred,

an alien to my mother's children. R

Zeal for your house has eaten me up; the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

I humbled myself with fasting, but that was turned to my reproach. R

[I put on sack-cloth also, and became a byword among them. Those who sit at the gate murmur against me,

and the drunkards make songs about

But as for me, this is my prayer to you, at the time you have set, O Lord: R

"In your great mercy, O God, answer me with your unfailing help. Save me from the mire; do not let me

let me be rescued from those who hate

and out of the deep waters.

Let not the torrent of waters wash over

neither let the deep swallow me up; do not let the Pit shut its mouth upon me.] R

Answer me, O Lord, for your love is kind; in your great compassion, turn to me. Hide not your face from your servant; be swift and answer me, for I am in distress

Draw near to me and redeem me; because of my enemies deliver me." R

SECOND READING

Romans 6:1b-11

A reading from the letter of Paul to the

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves

dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL Matthew 10:24-39

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Jesus summoned the twelve and sent them out with the following instruction: "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-inlaw; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

POST COMMUNION

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.

