

Services & Diary Dates

Monday	1 st	2100 Online Compline
Tuesday	2 nd	1000 Baby Group 1930 Said Eucharist 2000 All Souls' Day - Sung Eucharist
Wednesday	3 rd	1000 Toddletime Playgroup 1030 Said Eucharist 1100 Coffee for All
Thursday	4 th	1200 Thursday Lunches 2100 Online Compline
Friday	5 th	1900 Choir Practice
Saturday	6 th	
Sunday	7th	0800 Said Eucharist 0915 Parish Communion

Wednesday @11am Coffee for All

URGENT: We need a couple of helpers and an Assistant Organiser to join the team. Please contact Sally Ewers who would be delighted to hear from you.



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We still need a few more helpers with our Thursday Lunches team...

If you can help once in every 6 weeks, please e-mail Julie Lowes: craiglowesstfrancis@gmail.com

News

Tue 2nd Nov @8pm All Souls' Day - Sung Eucharist

If you are attending this service and would like the name of a departed one to be read out, please write on the list in the porch.



Christmas Tree Festival is on! 4th & 5th December 2021

We need your generous support to kick-off our main event for 2021 - both outreach (share a message of Comfort & Joy) and fundraising.

Tree Entry forms are available in the porch. Any queries, please contact: stfrancisctf@outlook.com

We need **volunteers** for the **rotas** displayed on the board and also please sign up to donate towards the **Raffle**.



Women's Group re-starting on Sunday 21st November, early evening. Hoping to offer as both virtual and in person meeting.

REMINDER: Social distancing rules still in place! Use hand sanitiser gel upon entry & exit and keep your masks on whilst on the premises!

Welcome

Sunday 31st October 2021

All Saints' Day

Services Today

8am SAID EUCHARIST

9:15am PARISH COMMUNION

Followed by Parish Coffee in the Hall - all welcome.

Youth & Children's YACC sessions take place in their usual age groups within the Govt's COVID-19 guidelines.

Church (YACC) **Age 2½ to Reception and Years 1&2, 3 & 4 - Hall** (Younger children including babies who are accompanied are very welcome)

Years 5 -7 Song school; Year 8 upwards in the Cellar

Music **Hymns to be sung by the congregation with masks on!**

474 217 232 (omit v3 & v6) 227

Choir: No choir at half-term

This week we pray for all who live and work in High Oaks Road.

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Sunday 31 October 2021
All Saints' Day

Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Wisdom 3: 1-9

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them.

In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.

For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them.

In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble.

They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

Revelation 21: 1-6a

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first

things have passed away.' And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.'

Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.'

John 11: 32-44

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.'

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved.

He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.'

Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!'

But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it.

Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.'

Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?'

So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me.

I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!'

The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

Next Sunday: Jonah 3: 1-5, 10; Hebrews 9: 24-28; Mark 1: 14-20