

Distant but United

St Martin's Parish Church



Sixth Sunday of Easter, 17th May

“This last week has been ‘Christian Aid Week.’ Sadly it has been somewhat overshadowed by both the celebrations of Liberation 75 and the restrictions of the Coronavirus.

I can still remember as a child going door to door in our small village to deliver and collect the little red envelopes. I used to love the ones that were stuffed to breaking point with coppers, foreign money and coins several decades out of date. But every penny counted.

And it still does. Christian Aid works tirelessly in deprived and developing countries around the world, and is one of the few agencies trusted to go to the places that others cannot reach.

Even in the midst of a Global Pandemic, Christian Aid remind us that as this virus spreads across the world, love rises up in response. You’ve already shown incredible kindness to your neighbours. Now is the time to reach out to your neighbours both near and far.

“Your love protects. From storms, from drought, and now from coronavirus. Your love protects our global neighbours battling the spread of this illness. Your love protects. With soap, clean water and medical supplies.

By supporting us this Christian Aid Week, you can reach out and protect more of your neighbours today.”

I encourage to give as generously as you can to Christian Aid this year.”

Rev Jonny

Christian Aid Week Giving



Christian Aid Week is moving online! We are building a vibrant, virtual Christian Aid Week so you can take part as an online community.

We’d love you to join in to show love for your neighbours near and far.

Visit:

donate.christianaid.org.uk

or call:

020 7523 2493

Morning Thoughts

Whilst the Diaries of Canon John Russell-Wilford may have finished their run on BBC Radio Jersey, you can still hear your Rector on the Radio! I'll be delivering the 'Morning Thoughts' on Saturday and Sunday Mornings.

Tune in after 6.30am(!) to listen live, or listen again online at your leisure.



Thy Kingdom Come

From Ascension Day to Pentecost the whole Church is encouraged to pray for a renewal of faith, and that people would come to know the power of God's love in their lives.

I hope to send out some resources and ideas to the church family next week, but in the meantime, have a look at

thykingdomcome.global

Daily Hope Phonenumber

The Archbishop of Canterbury has launched a free national phonenumber as a simple new way to bring worship and prayer into people's homes.

Daily Hope, which is available from today, offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services at the end of a telephone line.

The line - which is available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044** - has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind.

Please spread the word to our folk who aren't online.



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers

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