All Saints at Prayer

Wednesday 15 July 2020, 8.00pm

Jesus said..."Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)

Join online using the Zoom app, using only one device per household.

Meeting ID: 924 6854 5259

Password: 406354

Or by phone: 0330 088 5830 (UK only)

1. Summer

- Rest! Especially for NHS staff, carers, teachers, parents... to name but a few.
- For young people who would have gone on Christian camps, Ventures, and residential holidays. Some are taking place online, so pray for engagement and spiritual fruit.
- Church services in August.
- As lockdown is further eased, pray for a sensible approach to visiting shops, museums etc.
- The thousands still affected by Covid-19, including grieving lost loved ones, and the longer term effects of the virus medically and financially.
- From a recent Tearfund email: "Even as the pandemic slows down here in the UK, across the world it is accelerating. People already suffering due to conflict, persecution and poverty now face the threat of a disease against which they have little protection."

2. James & Chris Clarke

- Give thanks for their long ministry in Lindfield James as vicar, and Chris' tireless support.
- James has been feeling under the weather in the last few weeks with a number of suspected TIAs, and is feeling very tired.
- Pray against any last minute obstacles to the purchase of a house that they have put an
 offer on in Bexhill.
- For them both packing up the vicarage after 24 years and drastically downsizing. It all feels a bit overwhelming at the moment, especially with James not feeling brilliant.

3. Mission abroad and at home

- Mission Partners Simon & Becky Lunt, working with Operation Mobilisation in London.
- Caminul Felix, where a group of young people from All Saints were due to be last week.
- A gracious boldness in our witness to Jesus in everyday life.

4. Autumn

- Wisdom in planning for a return to the church building for services, and that the questionnaire sent out last week would prove helpful.
- Sunday and midweek Youth and children's work where, when, how, who...? Pray especially for Janine Bending, our new Children's pastor as she settles into the role.
- For the Churchwardens and PCC looking to appoint a new vicar. Especially in the preparation of the 'Parish Profile' – the key document required.
- For unity and focus for the church family during the vacancy.
- Resisting temptation to focus too much on 'in house' activities at church.
- For the NHS as they try to deal with the medical backlog caused by the coronavirus crisis, whilst also preparing for winter (eg flu jabs).