

HEADCORN PARISH CHURCH PASTORAL TEAM

Dear Church Member,

As part of our ongoing support and Christian fellowship for our church members, we are offering as much practical help as we can as well as suggestions for ways to keep in touch during these very challenging times whilst Coronavirus keeps our church services closed.

For those members who are living alone and without close family living nearby, we have offered a 'shopping buddy' to help with day to day supplies or simply to be at the end of the phone if you would like a chat.

In addition to practical support, we are keen to maintain our Christian fellowship together through prayer and bible readings. If you would like to join in prayers and readings at our usual time of 10am on a Sunday mornings, the attached service booklets and list of readings for the following 12 weeks will help us all to feel united in our faith through praying together (although in our separate houses). Obviously not everyone can do this but we merely invite you to participate.

There are several other ways that we can join in worship:

- 8:10 BBC Radio 4 Sunday worship
- 8.00 BBC Local Radio "Virtual service" initially lead by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The BBC is also aiming to broadcast a Sunday morning service of worship on BBC1 but this is subject to outside broadcasting capacity.

Alexa (if you have one ask Alexa to open the Church of England to get started)

Church of England Website for Daily Prayers

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-daily-prayer/todays-prayer>

The Church of England offers online resources and we expect these resources to be added to in due course: <https://www.churchofengland.org/coronavirus>

Every Sunday, Fiona will add a reflection around the Gospel reading to our website <http://www.handschurches.org/reflections/> Please contact her if you would like an email or hard copy. She will also aim to put a "thought and prayer for the day" on Facebook and the website at 12noon each day.

Group Skype calls where you join with others on Skype and read the bible together.

If you would like pastoral support, please telephone/email Fiona on: 01622 891804 or fiona.haskett@btopenworld.com

"Until we meet again, may the Lord hold you in the palm of his hand."

With all good wishes and our prayers.....

The Pastoral team at Headcorn Parish Church.