

# News from the pews – 10 November 2020

Dear friends,

In the summer months, dawn usually passes me by – it is way too early and I need my beauty sleep. At this time of year, it is possible to catch the dawn. This morning, it came gradually as light broke through the early morning fog.

We are experiencing the dawning of hope at the moment with yesterday's announcement that a vaccine is 90% successful. There is still a long way to go. Like this morning's dawn, it will take time for the fullness of day to arrive. But light has started to penetrate and this is exciting. The beginning of the end is here.

Today, as we pray, remember to thank God for medical technology, for the ways that God has gifted researchers with amazing ingenuity and, most of us, not leaving or forsaking us.

## Coffee and Chat after service

It was so encouraging to see many join the Zoom "Coffee and Chat" following Sunday's Remembrance Service. We are going to continue doing this following Sunday online services whilst we remain in lockdown. Seeing each other boosts our day, knowing that we still stand together as God's Church in fellowship and love. Please do try to join us this Sunday.

If you missed Sunday's service, you can access it here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8iXWzta3u3E>

## Remembrance Day – Church Open 10:30am – 11:30am



St John's Church will be open between 10:30am and 11:30am on Wednesday 11 November for private prayer and lighting a candle by the memorial. Hand gel will be available, but please wear a mask.

*O God of truth and justice,  
we hold before you those people  
who have been injured or who have died in active service.  
As we honour their courage and cherish their memory,  
may we put our faith in your future;  
for you are the source of life, peace and hope,  
now and forever.  
Amen.*

## Coming up:

Tue 10 Nov 8:00pm	Compline Night Prayer online (Facebook only)
Wed 11 Nov	Church open (10:30am – 11:30am) Various home groups meet using Zoom
Thu 12 Nov 8:00pm	Celtic Prayer online (Facebook only)
Sat 14 Nov 9:00am	Church prayer meeting (using Zoom)
Sat 14 Nov 10:30am	Coffee and Chat (using Zoom)
Sun 15 Nov 9:30am	Zoom <b>Sunday School</b> for primary school ages. Contact Lisa for details.
Sun 15 Nov 10:30am	Sunday Worship online – Facebook, YouTube and St John's web site. followed by coffee and chat (using Zoom)

## How to connect with us online:

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/stjohnselmswell/live>

St John's

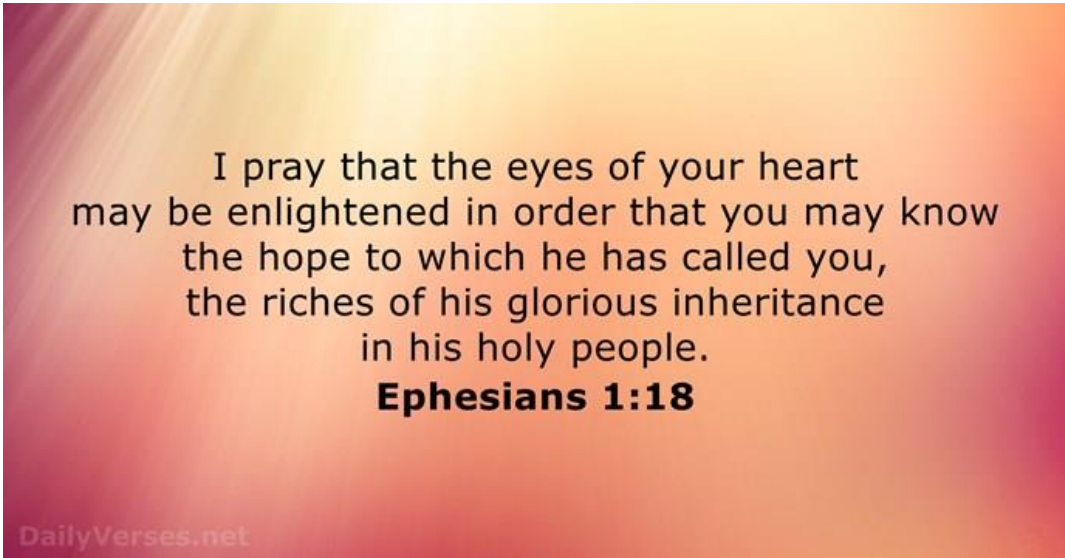
<http://www.stjohnselmswell.org.uk/>

YouTube

Accessed from home page of St John's web site

Zoom

Use this link <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6852951296> or, go to Zoom and use Meeting ID: 685 295 1296 and Password: 816262



I pray that the eyes of your heart  
may be enlightened in order that you may know  
the hope to which he has called you,  
the riches of his glorious inheritance  
in his holy people.

**Ephesians 1:18**

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God bless,  
Peter