### WHAT'S ON IN SEPTEMBER

2<sup>nd</sup> 7:30pm Men's discussion group in the lounge

3<sup>rd</sup> 2:30pm Ladies Guild in the lounge, Fr. Tom



18<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm Poetry evening with cheese and wine in the lounge

20<sup>th</sup> 9:30am Leadership team meeting in the Hall

25<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm PCC in the lounge

27<sup>th</sup> 10am-noon Macmillan BIG Coffee morning incl. Stalls & Raffle

The Ecumenical prayer group meets every Tuesday 7 30am - 8 30am. In September we are here in All Saints - all are welcome.



**CAMEO** [Come And Meet Each Other] a monthly event on Wednesday afternoons.

Wednesday 4th Sept. 2.30pm in the lounge, Sharing a favourite moment or object.





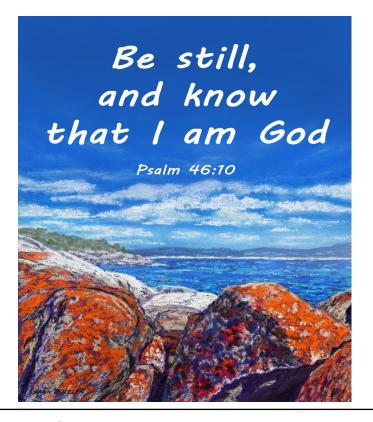
CAMEO Visit to Longton Nature Reserve

## FOR OUR PRAYERS . . . .

- Those presently not well or recovering from recent sickness.
- Those who are housebound and their carers.
- The families of those recently bereaved.
- Members of the congregation on holiday that it might be a time of refreshment.
- Please place any specific prayer requests in the tube on the table at the back of the church.
- Alan and the leadership team as they seek God as to the way forward for the Church.



# MONTHLY BULLETIN SEPTEMBER 2019



### SUNDAY SERVICES

10:00am Holy Communion

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays

Morning Worship

2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays

### WEDNESDAY

9:45am Church open for prayer

10:30am Holy Communion BCP

#### DEAR FRIENDS

For most of us, the summer holidays will be over, hopefully with happy memories. For some of us of a certain age, they will beginning. Holidays are a time of refreshment, of recharging the batteries, time for families, and maybe exploring new places.

But when we go on holiday or take time out for ourselves, do we go on holiday from God? Is God left behind. The verse on the front cover reminds us that in the stillness, the letting go of all that is maybe bothering us, God is still there for us, whether we are on holiday or just at home.

In all our lives, we need to make space daily for God, to hear that still small voice within that says "I love you, my child". In all the rush and bustle of life, God can be easily squeezed out. If life is getting on top of us, and we are maybe struggling with what life throws at us, then the answer is to spend more time with God, in prayer and reading the Bible. But also the key element to finding peace, is to spend time with God being still, and knowing that He is God, and He is on your side, everyday 24/7.

Blessings

Alan Buckley, Lay Minister

The Church is open for prayer and reflection each Wednesday from 9:45am until 11:30pm, with Holy Communion BCP at 10:30am.

#### **Regular Activities**

Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:30pm - Fellowship Group.

Fridays 10:00 - 12 noon - Coffee & Cake Morning in the lounge Music Group practices - Please see Helen Lloyd 01704 533530

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It is a great joy to be part of All Saints, and I am very grateful to Alan, Lesley and June, and all the people who have made me, and Jude, so welcome. If I haven't had the chance to thank you personally for the very generous present you gave us, may I express my gratitude.

On 17th July, the Bishop shared with me the 'cure', meaning the care, of your souls. This is not, for me, a formality. It means that I am responsible, with you, for the quality of your relationship to God. We have to work together so that you can grow in holiness. It is already my concern if you are struggling, or doubting, or distressed. Please, never think twice before contacting me if you think I could help you. The very least I can do is pray for you, as I will regularly by name, knowing better what to pray for.

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I think a lot of priests end up chained to their desks, answering emails as they arrive. I hope to be out and about a good deal, getting to know the parishes and their people. So, I will begin my ministry here intending to read and reply to emails once a day. Please don't worry if you don't have a reply immediately,

I will aim to reply to parishioners' emails within 24 hours.

I mean what I say: the cure of your souls is my priority. This cure is often most deeply needed in serious illness and at the point of death. Please contact me immediately by telephone if you know a parishioner who is suffering greatly, or whose life is ending, so that they can be offered the ministry of the church.

It might also be worth thinking of letting your family or friends know the number, should anything happen to you. I will always make every effort to be there quickly, or arrange for another priest to come instead.

I intend to take Mondays off, and won't answer emails on that day. I would be grateful if I were only telephoned on Mondays in an emergency of the kind just described.

With my love and prayers,

Father Tom