

St. Matt's Midweek Update – 2nd September 2020

Welcome to September, and some sort of new normal for a lot of us.

Maybe you are heading back into the office or workplace having been working from home for a while, or going back to work in schools, or maybe you have children going back to school or college this week. Whatever the new normal is for you, or maybe it's the same as it has been, let's uphold each other in prayer, and support those around us.

Please also don't be afraid to ask for help if you need it. Our mental health is so important and reaching out to others will help. You may need financial help as furlough comes to an end or months of reduced pay is taking its toll. Or you may need practical help if you suddenly get symptoms and have to self-isolate for 2 weeks. Please ask - we're here to help and support you.

Notices

This Sunday - is our family service as it's the first Sunday in September. We will be online (on Facebook and You Tube) and in church at 10am for the same service.

We will also be restarting our 8am communion service this Sunday, which happens once a month on the first Sunday of the month. The service will just be in church and will be a short communion service for those who would like it.

If you would like to come to both the 8am and 10am services, we would ask you to leave the church straight after the 8am service and then come back for the 10am service, as we will need to rearrange and clean in church in between.

All the same restrictions apply to both services - masks should be worn in church, no singing is allowed and people should only sit with those in their own household or bubble.

Photos - this is the last call for photos for this Sunday. Please send any photos to me by tomorrow. We have asked for photos if you have had a birthday in August, if you work in education (including charities who do schools work), and photos of your summer.

Youth and children's details - each September we have to update the details and consent for our young people and children that we hold on Church Suite.

I will be sending out an email to all parents / guardians with a link to click on. Please check your child's details and update anything that is wrong.

It is really important that you provide any medical or dietary issues your child has - please input these details into the 'Medical' section (not the Medical Short section or the Additional Details section). We can then access a report of all children's needs, which is especially important if we are giving out food.

If your child's allergies have changed or resolved, please update accordingly.

If your child doesn't have any of these issues, please leave the boxes blank.

Thank you for taking the time to do this.

Ride and Stride - Rosemary and Gordon will be taking part in the Kent Churches Ride and Stride this Saturday. They will be walking around as many churches as they can. If you would like to sponsor them for this, please contact them directly, or let me know.

I hope you have a good week.

Love and prayers

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