



that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

**Gradual Hymn**      **583 Rejoice, O land, in God thy might**

**GOSPEL**      Luke 12: 32—40

Jesus said to his disciples, 32 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

**SERMON**      Jeanette Lock

**Offertory Hymn**      **584 All my hope in God is founded**

**Communion Hymn**      **451 Just as I am, without one plea**

**Closing Hymn**      **643 God beyond earth's finest treasures**

**Postlude**      Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist, BWV 671      J S Bach

Refreshments will be served at the back of the Church after the Service  
thanks to Sally Deal & Julia Wakeling

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*Father Jeremy's Notes*

**Sad News**

Dorothy Guest, a long-time member of our congregation, died earlier this week. Her late husband, John, was Parish Treasurer for many years, and the two of them together with the late Peggy Munday, regularly ran the bottle stall at our fete. Please remember Dorothy in your prayers, and we send our love to her daughter, Claire. Dorothy's funeral will take place in church at 12 noon on Wednesday 28th August.

**Wednesday 14th August 10.00am Eucharist**

We look forward to welcoming the Revd Richard Cattley as he officiates here for the first time.

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**OTHER NOTICES**

**HERITAGE OPEN DAYS**

All Saints will be open again this September as part of the national "Heritage Open Days Scheme", when many buildings throughout the country open their doors to visitors, and we are publicised on their national website.

Specifically we will be open on **Friday 13 September** from 10.00am to 12 noon. **Saturday 14 September** from 9.30am to 4.30pm when there will be guided tours. **Sunday 15 September** from 12 noon to 4.30pm for guided tours and an organ recital, **Monday 16 September to Saturday 21 September** from 10.00am to 12noon by ringing the Parish Office in advance.

**Sunday 22 September** from 12 noon to 4.30pm with a tour and possibly cream teas (volunteers? See me please). You are all very welcome. Indeed, can you afford to miss it?!

**Sunday 22 September** will be particularly special because Fr. Jeremy will be preaching on an aspect of All Saints' heritage in the morning and – **advanced notice** – there will be a special meeting in the Parish Centre immediately after the 10.00am service for our fund-raising launch and for you to ask any questions. We don't expect it to take too long. Refreshments and cakes will be served. The day will culminate with Evensong and Benediction at 6.00pm.

Will anyone who would be interested to act as a "**Heritage Day Greeter**" (not difficult) to support me please let me know and I will be happy to brief them in advance about the building. A great opportunity to place All Saints before the public. **Ken Smith**.

**Ride & Stride**

Sharing the day on **Saturday 14 September** will be "Ride & Stride", Berkshire Churches Trust ("BCT") annual fund raising event.

This is the day when many Churches across Berkshire open their doors for visitors arriving by bike or on foot. The "riders and striders" are encouraged to get sponsorship for the number of Churches they visit during the day with the money raised going to BCT for their valuable work in supporting local Churches; All Saints has benefited from this support in the past which is why the day is so important to us. In addition, 50% of the sponsorship money raised by members of All Saints will come back directly to the Church.

All Saints will be open from 9.30am to welcome the "Riders and Striders" and to offer refreshments to all our visitors, and we are looking for a team of volunteers to act as **Ride & Stride Stewards** over the day. There is a sign up sheet with hourly slots at the back of the Church if you are able to help.

There will also be information at the back of the Church shortly about the participating Churches. In the meantime there are already some **sponsorship forms** there for you to pick up and for the riders and striders to get started; you can also sponsor the Stewarding Team if you prefer.

**Stella Harding**

**Pewsheets**

Please may I have any notices for the 25th August pewsheets by Wednesday 14th August.

**Jan Moss**

**INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Please pray for**

**The work of the Royal British Legion**

**Our dedicated team of flower arrangers who enhance the church each week.**

**Christine, our Sacristan.**