

# Isolation Times

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REEPHAM & WENSUM VALLEY  
TEAM CHURCHES



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## A Place to Meet Together”

Thank you to all those who joined us for our first Zoom Café Church service. It was fantastic to see over 30 friends and their families joining us for worship and wonderful to welcome some new faces to Zoom and also our church. **This week we will be having a Zoom Coffee Social at 11am and would love you to join us.**

Although Zoom is an online platform, those with no computer, internet or smart phone can join our services by “dialling in” using a landline.

Simply call the numbers below and use the **Meeting ID and Password** (see right) to join in. If one number is busy, please try the next number. Calls cost between 2-10p per minute depending on your provider or 10-40p from mobiles. Please check before calling.

**Dial-in numbers (to join by telephone): 0131 460 1196 / 0203 051 2874 / 0203 481 5237 / 0203 481 5240**

## **Thinking of and holding in our prayers...**

As we are unable to join together for funerals, so please light a candle as we pray and remember:

**Edna Hall** of Attlebridge whose funeral was on 14th May, our thoughts are with Diane and family.

**Terry Vardigans**, formerly of Reepham. Our thoughts are with Rob and family.



## What's on....

Although our Church buildings are locked, the doors to our virtual church are open. This week we have added the following to our website:

- Family Holy Communion (6th Sunday in Easter)
- Stories and Activities with Rev'd Helen: Breakfast on the Beach
- Zoom Coffee Social—Sunday 17th May, 11am
- Zoom Evening Prayer — Every Thursday , 6pm with Celtic Prayer on 3rd Thursday.
- Zoom Mothers Prayers— First Thursday of the month, 11am
- Zoom Benefice Service—Sunday 31st May, 10.30am

Our Zoom **Meeting ID** for all services is **825 0887 5273**, **password 374589**

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## GOSPEL John 14:15-21

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you."

They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."



A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers are unable to access our online church services. The line is available 24 hours a day.

**Christian Aid Week 10th-16th May:** Due to Covid 19 there will be no envelope distribution this year. If you would like to donate via the website instead [www.christianaid.co.uk](http://www.christianaid.co.uk) or you can post cheques to Christian Aid, 33 Lower Marsh, London SE1 7RL or the phone no. for donations is 020 75232269.

**THANK YOU There is still time to send a donation.**

*'Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.' Philippians 4 verses 6 & 7*

## From the Kitchen Window— 17th May

The weather having turned colder has forcing the House Martins and Swifts to move away from their nesting sites temporarily to find food, but for the resident birds this is the most hectic time of year, as they are under pressure to feed their growing youngsters.

They often loose condition and their feathers can become tatty. Ian sent two lovely photos taken in his garden of a ragged looking Robin, and to go with it, a picture of the Ragged Robin flowers by the pond. I could hear baby Robins squeaking at the bottom of the garden on Tuesday, so I assume they have fledged, but we are unlikely to see them until they are fully independent, as they stay safely in cover while the parents are feeding them. Then they can cause confusion,

as they are the same size as the adult birds, but with brown speckled breasts, only moulting into the full red breast plumage in the autumn. Judith's male Blackbird is also looking very dishevelled, having lost his tail, but that may have been due to a close encounter with a sparrowhawk. Joan has been sitting in her garden to deter this determined predator from taking the birds. Reepham must be a good hunting ground for sparrowhawks, as so many of us feed their prey.



We have several frogs in our pond still, as well as the diminishing number of tadpoles. The young Blackbirds have been watching their parents and occasionally try for a tadpole themselves. One youngster ended up in the water in its enthusiasm, but it is all part of the learning process. Chris has at least one newt in her pond, which is good to hear. I do hope she doesn't have Blackbirds like ours, which used to occasionally take adult newts. There is a great deal of competition for food in our garden but we do try and discourage newt theft! Do send any sightings of wildlife to [rachel.42rr@btinternet.com](mailto:rachel.42rr@btinternet.com) so we can all share them. **RMR**

