

Lambourn Valley Prayer List, Readings and Collect

8th Sunday after Trinity August 2nd 2020

Be Still and Know

God of mystery, where are you
When the world flings demands
Like a rain squall at the window,
When the pressure to perform steals us from ourselves,
When grasping for our future leaves us empty handed?

Where are you, when confusion is in heady ascendance,
When digging for surety lacerates and fragments?
Where are you in the fray,
In the tangled threads of feeling with no beginning or end?

God of our depths, be with us.
Do not rescue, but hold us;
Befriend, and reacquaint us
With our roots, our core, our true desires.

Help us to know, the simplicity of refreshment;
a single raindrop on dry lips like an offering, unsolicited,
from a cloudless sky.

Help us to know, how slowly moves the deep;
our connection to earth and stars, and the life that is you.

Help us to know, that beyond our striving and our need
All you are is love,
And all we have is you.

Please pray for

- All those taking holidays
- Khayelitsha District Hospital a field hospital for patients infected with COVID-19 in Cape Town, South Africa. Médecins sans Frontières working in the hospital

The sick: Charmaine Pike, Rosemary Blake, Pauline Illott, David Taylor, Ann Price, Kim, Ruth, Ivan Aitken, Dennis Allsopp, Pam Pedder, Maurice Duce, Maggie Stewart.

The Departed Marie Knowles, Margaret Woolford

Readings for 8th Sunday after Trinity

St James
Acts 11:27-12:2
Matthew 20:20-28

Trinity 8
Isaiah 55:1-5
Psalm 145:8-9.15-22
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:13-21

Collect

St James

Merciful God,
whose holy apostle Saint James,
leaving his father and all that he had,
was obedient to the calling of your Son Jesus Christ
and followed him even to death:
help us, forsaking the false attractions of the world,
to be ready at all times to answer your call without delay;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Trinity 8

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven
and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride,
when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust
in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

If you would like prayer (or other support) for yourself or someone else, please contact either myself 07749 844600 or Christine 07801 096345