

THE PARISHES OF ST MARGARET AND
ST MARK DUNHAM MASSEY

Trinity 7 Sunday 26th July 2020

Newsletter and Weekly Prayer Sheet

Hello Everyone,

This week everything has finally arrived to get church ready for opening again. Hand sanitiser units, signs and a large yellow 'Welcome to Church' banner will be in place next week along with floor arrows and distance markers.

The government has made it mandatory to wear face masks in shops but not in church. If you wish to wear a face mask then please feel free to do so. We want everyone to feel safe and comfortable.

We will have to 'track and trace' people coming to church so you will be required to complete a slip of paper with your name, address and phone number on.

Over the coming weeks there will be more detail so watch this space.

This week I ask that you pray for Ged Hindley and his family. Ged's father passed away in Warrington Hospital following a brief illness. We keep Ged in our prayers this week.

And finally for those who are on holiday or going away, travel safely, enjoy the break and take St Margaret's with you on the website and YouTube. Until next week, stay safe and well.

Every blessing

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Readings

Matthew 13, v 31-33 and 44-52

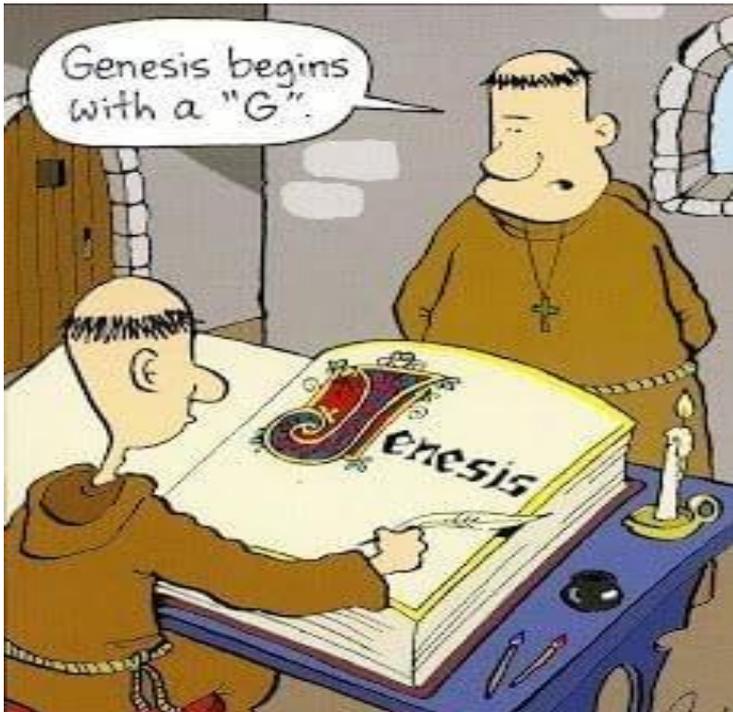
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www.dunhamchurch.com

for our short weekly service.

The Collect

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
Increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same:
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.



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Anniversary of Herman Melville author of Moby Dick Born 1st August 1819

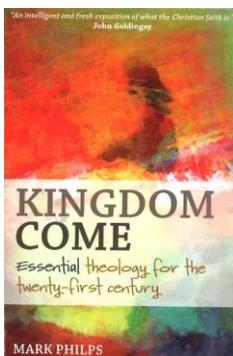


Herman Melville's masterpiece has been a book credited as the favourite read of people across the world since its publication. It's exploration of leadership obsessed with impossible goals, of sexuality, environmental issues, globalisation and race have compelled many to wade through an extensive novel. Melville's feelings about faith resonate with many today and help us understand ourselves a little more and the people we are trying to reach for the gospel.

His closest friend Nathaniel Hawthorne wrote this of him;

He had pretty much made up his mind to be annihilated. But still he does not rest in that anticipation, and, I think, will never rest until he gets hold of a definite belief. It is strange how he persists — and has persisted ever since I knew him, and probably long before that — in wandering to-and-fro over these deserts, as dismal and monotonous as the sand hills amid which we were sitting. He can neither believe, nor be comfortable in his unbelief; and he is too honest and courageous not to try to do one or the other. If he were a religious man, he would be one of the most truly religious and reverential. He had a very high and noble nature, and better worth immortality than most of us.

Book Review



Kingdom Come ;Essential Theology for the twenty first century by Mark Philips
Sacristy Press £9

“An intelligent and fresh exposition of what the Christian faith is.” — **John Goldingay**

Kingdom Come makes essential theological topics relevant and readable without diluting the Gospel message, drawing on the work of thinkers such as Augustine, John Calvin, George MacDonald, Karl Barth, C. S. Lewis, J. I. Packer and N. T. Wright.

Hope to see you soon.