

Dear friends,

Much love and continued prayers from the Rectory at St Mary's Newick, and thank you to Niamh & Ella, Andy Rees, Owls Club and Josh Stockwell for the Service this week .



This week Service <https://vimeo.com/428645384>

Printable order of service here:

[Sunday 14th June 2020 Service of the Word.pdf \(82K\)](#)

Families and Owls ; Don't forget Ali is live on St Mary's Newick Facebook page at 10am this morning when Ali will be talking about the story of the Good Samaritan from Luke chapter 10 and we need more Good Samaritans at this time, now more than ever.

Next week Ali is hosting Weds4CC (no it's not a motorbike) it's Wednesday 4 o'clock Craft Club and Friday Bible time will be followed by Zoom



Andy finishes our service this week with the classic song by Bob Dylan & Tom Petty 'Blowin' in the wind'. The last verse sings; *"How many years must some people exist; Before they're allowed to be free?"*

*And how many times can a man turn his head, And pretend that he just doesn't see the answer  
The answer, my friend, is blowing in the wind, The answer is blowing in the wind"*

Freedom is something that is so easily taken for granted. Dylan was writing at a time of political upheaval and social change, change that was literally like a blowing wind.

The book of John 3:8 talks about the Holy Spirit as wind and saying although we can't see the Holy Spirit we can see the effects which the Holy spirit has on our lives. The Holy Spirit delivers to us God's wisdom.

In the book of Acts the Spirit is referred to as the mighty rushing wind and people heard it. As we heard at Pentecost the Spirit enabled some of the disciples to preach in foreign languages causing over 3000 people to be saved.

This Spiritual wind carries the answers that can only come from God. And although Dylan wrote this song in 1962 and didn't have his faith experience until the '70's he obviously had a calling on his life as God was using him even then. Dylan went on to attend 3 months of Bible school in Los Angeles and produced at least 2 gospel albums.

Despite its challenging lyrics this song carries with it a strong message of hope, and as we see from our daily news there is no question that many people around our world are in need of hope in the midst of great suffering.

In St Paul's letter to the Romans, which is one of our readings this morning

Paul say's "suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

How do we play our part in God's plan for our world?

Ruach, the breath of God, the Holy Spirit is literally '*Blowin' in the wind*' and it's bringing with it a season of change, and a time of Hope. We will each have our own part to play; may we be open to the Spirit's calling, may we never turn away from the challenge, may we never be the one who pretends we just don't see what is happening before us. May we always be the one to persevere, knowing that God's hope will never disappoint us.

Please pray for each other, for our church, and especially this week for our world.  
Let us pray for the togetherness of Unity in the face of the destruction of division.

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**Our service this morning is available on the Church website under services** <https://newickchurch.org/services-2/>

**or here by clicking on the Vimeo link below**  
<https://vimeo.com/426579995>

**Facebook Link:**

[St. Mary's Church, Newick](#)

Our online service from Newick will be at 10.30 followed by a Zoom Café at 11.15 Paul Mundy is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Church Café

Time: Jun 14, 2020 11:15 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83345870337?pwd=STNqMVNrT3A3M21KVHBFMk9NRmNmZz09>

Meeting ID: 833 4587 0337

Password: 521143

Our services have been prepared for you to use at home, as due to the current situation we are unable enter our Church building together, either here in Newick or in our neighbouring parishes, but the life of the church continues in the community, in our homes, in our prayer and pastoral ministry. If you are a joining us from further away, welcome, and if you would like to message us, we would love to be praying for you via [church.newick@gmail.com](mailto:church.newick@gmail.com) or through our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/saintmarysnewick/>

We will keep everyone up to date, broadcast services and times of prayer, on our Church Facebook page and continue to build a sense of community during this time of isolation through the Newick Community Resource

Page [https://www.facebook.com/groups/798875173939553/?ref=group\\_header](https://www.facebook.com/groups/798875173939553/?ref=group_header)

Much love to you all, stay in touch, stay safe, stay well & where possible stay at home.

Paul x