

Thought for the Month

August 2021

Moving on

For many people August is a time for holiday, a break from the daily rhythm of life and commitments to others. This year August is a time of moving on in the hope that we can overcome the constraints of the Covid pandemic and return to a normal rhythm of life, which embraces engagement within families and within community.

Whatever our hopes and fears may be when we face a time of moving on, it is always an opportunity to review and see afresh.

This summer, moving on is a time of significant change of all of us at Holy Trinity Church as Geoff and I move on to retirement, and as church members start to look forward to a period of discerning the needs and priorities for the next Vicar.

It has been a privilege to be the Vicar at Holy Trinity for the last 8 years, and part of me wishes that we could stay longer, to continue to be part of the ongoing life of the Church and the community. We will take many happy memories with us, memories of joy and opportunities as well as memories of sad and challenging times. These memories are not ours alone, they are memories of encounter with church members and the wider community. They are memories shared with you!

However much we are separated by place and time, we will continue to be held in love, the love of God which unites us, transcending time and place. This is a love that is unbreakable, a love that we can continue to share and cherish.

'For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.' **Romans 8.38,39**

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