

### Collect for the week.

*Lord, you have taught us  
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:  
send your Holy Spirit  
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,  
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,  
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.  
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.*



**Join Us for Morning Prayer**, Every Tuesday & Thursday Jeremy Douglas will be leading morning prayers in Ian's absence. Why not come along and join with him and others? We meet: 8:45-9:30am each Tuesday in All Saints' (with coffee!) 9:00-9:30am each Thursday on ZOOM (click the link on the home page of our website: <https://www.eastleighparish.com/>) "The fervent prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." James 5:16

We are looking for someone to provide oversight of our Health and Safety policy here at Eastleigh Parish Church. Please let Keith, Dot or Mike know if you could help.

We are still looking for volunteers to help us keep the grass down at St. Francis. **No rotas involved**, just turn up if you are free. Please speak to Mike or Keith if you are interested.

If you can spare any packets of biscuits to help replenish our stock, we would be grateful.



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# OUTLOOK

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We continue our series based in Acts...

In Acts 9 Saul, a fierce persecutor of the early Christians, travels to Damascus to arrest believers. As he approaches the city, a bright light from heaven surrounds him and he falls to the ground. He hears Jesus' voice saying, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" Blinded, Saul is led into Damascus, where he spends three days without sight, food, or drink. God sends a disciple named Ananias to pray for him. Ananias lays hands on Saul, who regains his sight, is filled with the Holy Spirit, and is baptised. Immediately, Saul begins proclaiming that Jesus is the Son of God, astonishing those who knew his former reputation as a persecutor.

**We are grateful today to have the Rev. Oliver and Matt Nicholson (Warden at St. Toms.) at our 9.30am service & Matt Nicholson also at our 11.00am service, officiating.**

## Acts 9:1-20 Saul's conversion

**9** Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest **2** and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. **3** As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. **4** He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?'

**5** 'Who are you, Lord?' Saul asked. 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,' he replied. **6** 'Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do.'

**7** The men travelling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. **8** Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes, he could see nothing. So, they led him by the hand into Damascus. **9** For three days he was blind and did not eat or drink anything.

**10** In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, 'Ananias!' 'Yes, Lord,' he answered. **11** The Lord told him, 'Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. **12** In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight.'

**13** 'Lord,' Ananias answered, 'I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem. **14** And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name.'

**15** But the Lord said to Ananias, 'Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. **16** I will show him how much he must suffer for my name.' **17** Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, 'Brother Saul, the Lord – Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here – has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit.' **18** Immediately, something like scales fell from

Paul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptised, **19** and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

Saul spent several days with the disciples in Damascus. **20** At once he began to preach in the synagogues that Jesus is the Son of God.

## Luke 18:35-43 A blind beggar receives his sight



**35** As Jesus approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. **36** When he heard the crowd going by, he asked what was happening. **37** They told him, 'Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.'

**38** He called out, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' **39** Those who led the way rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!'

**40** Jesus stopped and ordered the man to be brought to him. When he came near, Jesus asked him, **41** 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Lord, I want to see,' he replied. **42** Jesus said to him, 'Receive your sight; your faith has healed you.' **43** Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, praising God. When all the people saw it, they also praised God.