# **St Bartholomew's Anglican Church, St Barts**



# Our Weekly News - 1 November 2020

#### Dear Friends,

This weekend the island celebrates All Saints Day – a time when local families honour their lost loved ones by spending the evening gathered around their relatives' graves, which they have decorated with flowers and candles.

This year such traditions will be practised under the shadow of Covid-19; however, while mainland France begins its return to lockdown, St Barts feels extremely fortunate to be able to continue life with very few restrictions, albeit with masks and social distancing.

We have an interesting All Saints service for you this week ... Father Charlie Vere Nicoll is celebrating, and Father Steve Huber is preaching. We start the service with the hymn A New Commandment; and then, to mark La Chorale receiving official approval to re-start rehearsals in the Church, our meditation piece is their version of Con Te Partiro. Our finale this week, We Are the World, was written 25 years ago, although the lyrics (printed below) seem particularly apt right now. I hope you like this new version, recorded by musicians from Long Island, CT while in quarantine.

We have not yet started Sunday services in the Church; however, we hope to later this month. We are holding our Zoom Coffee hour at 10am each Sunday ... do think of joining us. Details of this Zoom meeting and other useful information, including our online Taizé services, our prayer list and how to give, is set out below.

With blessings Philip

# Links

1. Sunday Service This Sunday's Playlist: https://bit.ly/StBAC\_Sunday1November

Our Service Booklet (as a pdf): https://bit.ly/StBACservicebook

2. Offerings to St Bartholomew's Anglican Church See details/links below

### 3. Prayer List

Brook Lacour Rosemond Greaux Steve Walsh The family of Eva Bentzen The family of Geoffrey Lacour The family of Larry O'Donnell The family of Lucy Day The family of Marius Stakelborough The family of Valerie Trangmar The family of Gaby Charneau

4. Coffee Morning/Fellowship Zoom meeting: Sundays 10am Via the internet: https://zoom.us/j/9713397133 Via the Zoom App: Meeting ID: 9713397133 Via your telephone +1 253 215 8782 (USA) then input the Meeting ID: 9713397133

5. Bestseller Book Club – An informal group, which meets via Zoom. Our next meeting will be on Monday 16th November at 6.30pm (island time) when we will be discussing **Paul Auster**'s tome called **4321**. There's just about time to read it, if you start now and you're a quick reader!

#### 6. Past Island Newsletters

You can visit our website if you wish to read any of our previous 2020 updates: https://bit.ly/StBAC\_WeeklyEmails

7. Taizé services Live-streaming of Taizé: 7pm on Tuesdays: https://bit.ly/StBAC\_livestreaming

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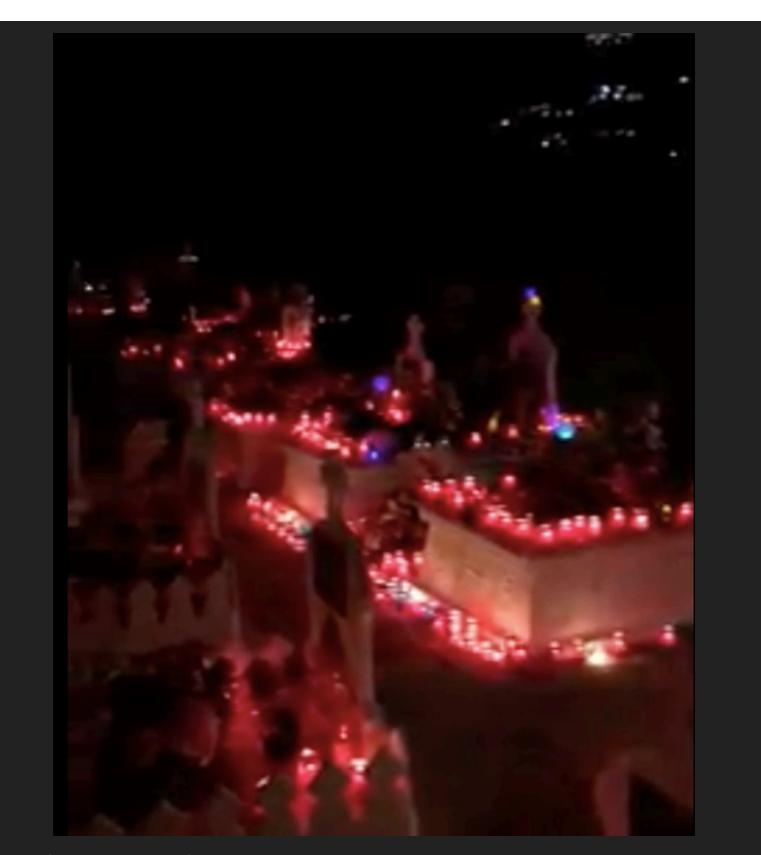
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All Saints Day on St Barts - the cemeteries are filled with light and reverence

We Are the World - Lyrics

There comes a time when we heed a certain call When the world must come together as one There are people dying And it's time to lend a hand to life

That someone somewhere will soon make a change We're all a part of God's great big family Love is all we need

# We are the children We are the ones who make a brighter day So let's start giving It's true we'll make a better day

Send them your heart so they'll know that someone cares And their lives will be stronger and free As God has shown us, by turning stone to bread And so we all must lend a helping hand

#### [Chorus]

There seems no hope at all But if you just believe There's no way we can fall Let's realize that a change can only come When we stand together as one

[Chorus]



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