

Praying Through This Week 28th March 2022 - Tradition



For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; a time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace. Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

When we were planning for the theme of tradition, this passage was given to me by a friend, as something that perfectly shows that there is a time and a place for everything. We all have traditions which we love, and the Church has many of these. But without change, many traditions become pointless. We need to reflect on the traditions we should and will always keep (such as The Lord's Prayer), those we need to let go of (does anyone take notice of wedding banns anymore), and those we can adapt and move forward with.

Next time, we say or do something especially in the context of church, let's make sure we are doing it for a reason. Vicky