

# THE SUNDAY SHEET THOMAS, APOSTLE 3<sup>RD</sup> JULY 2022

A very warm welcome as we gather for the Parish Eucharist.

An induction loop is provided. To use, please turn your hearing aid to T.

Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them. Please inform one of the stewards/sidespersons who will pass the information on to the clergy. Many thanks

### Entrance Hymn

God is here! As we your people Meet to offer praise and prayer, May we find in fuller measure What it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, All our varied skills and arts Wait the coming of the Spirit Into open minds and hearts.

Here are symbols to remind us Of our lifelong need of grace; Here are table, font and pulpit; Here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching, Here in silence, as in speech, here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each. Here our children find a welcome In the Shepherd's flock and fold; Here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old. Here the servants of the Servant Seek in worship to explore What it means in daily living To believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of church and kingdom, In an age of change and doubt, Keep us faithful to the Gospel; help us work your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, All we have to give, receive; We, who cannot live without you, We adore you! We believe!

Fred Pratt Green 1903-200

Tune: Blaenwern

#### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God in heaven, and to all on earth, his peace; Lord and Father, King in glory, gifts of praise in us release, so our worship and thanksgiving from our hearts will never cease.

Christ incarnate, sent by Father to redeem, renew, restore; risen Lamb, in glory seated, hear our prayers, Lord, we implore. Now to Father, Son, and Spirit be all glory evermore.

Words: John Richards Tune: Regent Square

#### THE COLLECT

Almighty and eternal God,
who, for the firmer foundation of our faith,
allowed your holy apostle Thomas
to doubt the resurrection of your Son
till word and sight convinced him:
grant to us, who have not seen,
that we also may believe and so confess Christ as
our Lord and our God;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

EPHESIANS 2. 19-22

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

For the word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL Please Stand

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Saviour.

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Donald Fishel b. 1950 Tune: Alleluia No. 1 John 20. 24-29

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John.

## Glory to you, O Lord.

Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

## Praise to you, O Christ.

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Donald Fishel b.1950 Tune: Alleluia No.1

#### OFFERTORY HYMN

There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in his justice which is more than liberty.

There is no place where God's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven; there is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgement given.

For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind, and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. But we make his love too narrow by false limits of our own; and we magnify his strictness with a zeal he would not own.

There is plentiful redemption through the blood that has been shed; there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.

There is grace enough for thousands of new worlds as great as this; there is room for fresh creations in that upper home of bliss.

If our love were but more simple, we should take him at his word; and our lives would be all gladness in the joy of Christ our Lord.

Frederick William Faber 1814-1863
Tune: Cross of Jesus

#### Prayer over the Gifts

Jesus, our Lord and God, after rising from the dead you broke bread with your apostles: grant that in this holy sacrament we may know your resurrection; who are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### Hymn at the end of Communion

Just as I am, without one plea but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidst me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve: because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come.

> Charlotte Elliot 1789-1871 Tune: Saffron Walden

#### Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### FINAL HYMN

Year by year, from past to future worship marks our upward climb, sets the rhythm of our journey to eternity through time: though the outward things diminish we are held more firm by grace, following God's heavenward calling and the everlasting prize.

As we seek to weave life's fabric on the lengthening loom of days, may Christ guide the threads that form it, be the pattern it displays; may the Father, master craftsman, sorrowing over each mistake, plan for us a new perfection from the ugliness we make. Though we long for the adventure of the mystery of bliss, to the pilgrim's eyes the pathway breaks, and ends in death's abyss; but within the dark are waiting hands that bear the print of nails, which will hold us safe and bear us where the worship never fails.

Alan Luff b. 1928

Tune: Ebenezer (Ton-y-Botel)

CCL No: 961722

#### Notices

**Daily Prayer.** Can you be a part of the daily prayer life of this place? Please see leaflet on the Prayer and Spirituality table in the south transept of the Cathedral.

Churchyard work party on Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 10am -12 at the Parish Church. Refreshments provided. All help appreciated.

Peace Doves. Our peace doves are now flying! Please do come and admire the beautiful Peace Tree by the high altar in the cathedral and say a prayer there. Warmest thanks to Kate and Frank Jordan for helping us make the doves and for creating the tree. If you would still like to add your own message, please take a dove from the Ukraine prayer station in the south transept and leave it in the basket. New doves will be added to the tree in batches.

**Next Sunday** 10<sup>th</sup> July is the last Sunday of the Choir year. There will be the usual Choral Eucharist in the morning and a special Choral Evensong at 3.30pm with Valedictory for Hannah, Arthur & Tal as they leave ready to go off to university.

Bibles for Leavers. Each year we present a Bible to all those leaving Ysgol Esgob Morgan to go on to High School. If you would like to contribute to this, please speak to Marion Hughes at the Parish Church or to Fr Rex at the Cathedral. If you would like to donate by Bank Transfer, please speak to Fr Rex for the bank details. Thank you!

THE WEEK AHEAD

# 4th Monday – Peblig, Abbot

9am Morning Prayer9.30am Holy Eucharist at the Cathedral5pm Evening Prayer

# 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer 6pm Evening Prayer 7pm Holy Eucharist *at the Cathedral* 

# 6<sup>th</sup> Wednesday – Thomas More, Martyr

9am Morning Prayer
9.40am School Service at the Parish Church
10.30am Holy Eucharist at the Cathedral
5pm Evening Prayer

## 7<sup>th</sup> Thursday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer 10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish Church* 5pm Evening Prayer 7.30pm Parish Church Committee

# 8<sup>th</sup> Friday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer9.30am Offeren (Welsh Eucharist)6pm Choral Evensong

# 9th Saturday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer 5pm Evening Prayer

## 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Trinity 4

9.30am The Parish Eucharist11am The Cathedral Eucharist3.30pm Choral Evensong

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