

The Sunday Sheet Trinity 12 27th August 2023

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

An induction loop is provided.

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

Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow trav'llers on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christlight for you in the night-time of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh, I'll laugh with you. I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through. When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony, born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

Richard A.M. Gillard b. 1953

Tune: Servant Song

The order of service can be found in the Eucharist Booklet

THE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire of deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and meditation of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

ROMANS 12, 1-8

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ

according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth: he is the King of creation:

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

Donald Fishel b.1950 Tune: Alleluia No.1

MATTHEW 16. 13-20

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

After the Sermon please turn to the Eucharist booklet for the Affirmation of Faith

OFFERTORY HYMN

Send, O God, your Holy Spirit on your people gathered here. Fill our lives with gentle courage; let your love cast out our fear.

Every perfect gift is given by the God whose name we bear to equip the saints of Jesus for the saving work we share.

Gifts of wisdom, gifts of knowledge, gifts of faith and healing grace, gifts that in the Spirit's power will reveal the Saviour's face.

All God's children, all Christ's people, all the saints, receive this word! Claim the gift, the faith, the promise, build the body of the Lord.

> Sylvia G. Dunstan 1955-1993 Tune: Laus Deo (Redhead No.46)

Prayer over the Gifts

God of life and health,
in your Son Jesus Christ we find forgiveness of all that is past:
grant that in this eucharist today we may find the healing of
all our sins;
we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please turn to the Eucharist Booklet for the Eucharistic Prayer

Hymn at the end of Communion

Purify my heart, Let me be as gold and precious silver; Purify my heart, Let me be as gold, pure gold.

Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire Is to be holy, Set apart for you, Lord; I choose to be holy, Set apart for you, my master, Ready to do your will.

Purify my heart, Cleanse me from within and make me holy, Purify my heart, Cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

Brian Doerksen b.1965

Please turn to the Eucharist Booklet

Post Communion Prayer

God of compassion, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine: O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God; born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Saviour all the day long. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Saviour all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture burst on my sight; angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Saviour am happy and blest; watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

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Notices

Refreshments. Please do join us for refreshments after the service if you can.

Foodbank. The Foodbank box is now back in the Parish Church. Donations gratefully received.

Praying for Growth. Please pray for the growth and renewal of the Church here in this place. Here is the Leading Your Church into Growth Prayer (card copies are available at the back of the Church): God of Mission,

Who alone brings growth to your Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give
Vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions,
Joy to our worship,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Community Fridge takes place every Sunday from 5-7pm at the Parish Church.

Pray for 2 Challenge. If each of us only prayed for 2 people over the summer period and they responded, imagine the number of new people there could be in church for the Harvest celebrations. So let us spend the summer each praying for 2 people come to know the Lord and join our church. Then invite them!

Parish Church Website has been revamped and hopefully easier to use. Some of the pages are without content but

will be sorted over the coming weeks. This is in an effort to improve our communication. Take a look:

www.stasaphparishchurch.org.uk

Sunday Sheet. Please take this sheet home with you for the notices for the week and to pray for what is happening in the life of our Church.

Church Rotas. We are always looking for more people to read, lead intercessions and serve at the altar at the Sunday Eucharist. If you feel you may be able to join one of these ministries please speak to Fr Rex. Thank you!

The Civic Service for Colin, our Mayor, takes place at the Cathedral on Sunday 10th September at 11am. There will be no service in the Parish Church on that morning. Please do come to the Cathedral to give our prayerful support to Colin and Gwenda.

Messy Church. Thank you to all those who worked so hard to make holiday club such a success. Please pray for the children who came and for their parents.

THE WEEK AHEAD

28th Monday – Augustine of Hippo 9am Morning Prayer 9.30am Holy Eucharist 5pm Evening Prayer

29th Tuesday – The Beheading of John the Baptist

9am Morning Prayer5pm Evening Prayer6pm Holy Eucharist

30th Wednesday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer10.30am Holy Eucharist5pm Evening Prayer

31st Thursday – Aidan, Bishop

9am Morning Prayer 10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish Church* 10.45am Prayer Group *at the Parish Church* 5pm Evening Prayer

1st Friday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer9.30am Offeren (Welsh Eucharist)5pm Evening Prayer

2nd Saturday — Martyrs of Papua New Guinea

9am Morning Prayer5pm Evening Prayer

3rd Sunday – Trinity 13

9.30am The Parish Eucharist at the

Parish Church

9.30am Holy Eucharist at St Mary's Cefn

11am The Cathedral Eucharist

3.30pm Evening Prayer

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