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Pews News and Service Sheet for Sunday 27th August- Trinity 12

This week:

10am Midweek Mass in St Peter's Chapel Online Zoom service*: Wednesdays at 10am Morning Coffee: Fridays 10 – 12 noon in Church

*Please request a link to the Wednesday Zoom service by emailing: pewsnewsstjohns@gmail. com

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Welcome to Mass this morning.

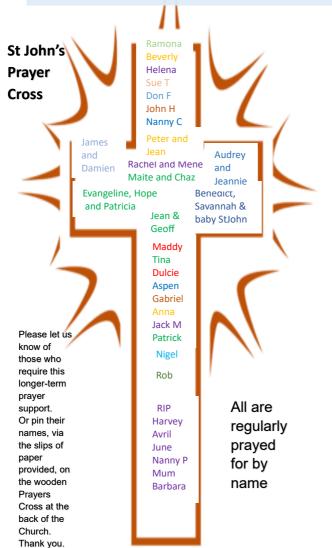


Our prayers are asked for:

Holly H, Peggy S, Bostik, Dianne, Goldie, Lorenzo Andy, Gladys, Marie N, John T, Nigel and Carrie, Geraldine, Della, Clare, Janet F, Tim, Basia S, Kathryn, Gill T, Lesley, Jack P, Sheila, Peter, and Anna.

Please pray also for

the repose of the souls of the recently departed, including Martha and Arlene, ...and those whose Years Minds fall around this time, including John Cain and Les Gordon and all who mourn.





The Hastings Foodbank, run by the Trussell Trust, provides individuals and families with three days' worth of nutritionally balanced, non-perishable food. Our donations, at the back of church, are collected by them fortnightly. Can you help by donating? Their current "Urgent" list is shown below.. Toiletries and household cleaning products are also very welcome.



Introit: God so loved the world - Goss

Opening Hymn

Soldiers of Christ, arise, and put your armour on, strong in the strength which God supplies, through his eternal Son;

Strong in the Lord of Hosts, and in his mighty power: who in the strength of Jesus trusts is more than conqueror.

Stand then in his great might, with all his strength endued; and take, to arm you for the fight, the panoply of God.

Leave no unguarded place, no weakness of the soul: Take every virtue, every grace, and fortify the whole.

From strength to strength go on, wrestle and fight and pray; tread all the powers of darkness down, and win the well-fought day;

That, having all things done, and all your conflicts past, ye may o'ercome, through Christ alone, and stand entire at last.

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

The Welcoming of the People

Priest In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **All Amen.**

Priest Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom
no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of your
Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify
your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Invitation to confession

Deacon God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Priest Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Gloria in Excelsis is sung

Glory to God, Glory to God Glory to God in the highest Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks.

we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

Glory to God, Glory to God Glory to God in the highest

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Glory to God, Glory to God Glory to God in the highest.

The Collect

Priest God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word all sit

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Isaiah 51.1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the LORD. Look to the rock from which vou were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the LORD will comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples.

I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like

gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

A Reading from the letter to the Romans

Romans 12, 1-8

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 judgment, 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.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us.

Thine for ever! God of love, hear us from thy throne above; thine for ever may we be here and in eternity.

Thine for ever! O how blest they who find in thee their rest! Saviour, Guardian, heavenly Friend, O defend us to the end.

Thine for ever! Lord of life, shield us through our earthly strife; thou the Life, the Truth, the Way, guide us to the realms of day.

Thine for ever! Thou our guide, all our wants by thee supplied, all our sins by thee forgiven, led by thee from earth to heaven.

Mary Maude (1819-1913)

Gospel Reading

When the Gospel is announced the Deacon says

Alleluia, alleluia. The word of the Lord endures for ever.

The word of the Lord is the good news announced to you.

All Alleluia.

Deacon The Lord be with you **All** And also with you.

Dcn Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Matt. 16. 13-20

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.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Deacon Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession - *led by* the intercessor using their own words or ...

Lord God, through your grace we are your people: through your Son you have redeemed us; in your Spirit you have made us as your own.

We pray for ... (new Christians, the Church)
Make our hearts respond to your love.

Lord, receive our praise and hear our prayer.

We pray for ... (the world, society, the local community)
Make our lives bear witness to your glory in the world.
Lord, receive our praise and hear our prayer.

We pray for ... (people in need, Christian service)
Make our wills eager to obey, and our hands ready to heal.
Lord, receive our praise and hear our prayer.

We give thanks for ...
Make our voices one with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Lord of life,
hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind to serve you with joy for ever.

The Peace

Amen.

Deacon God is love, and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory hymn during which the altar is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it.

All hail the power of Jesu's name; let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem to crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye morning stars of light, who fixed this floating ball; now hail the Strength of Israel's might, and crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God, who from his altar call; praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Hail him, ye heirs of David's line, whom David Lord did call; the God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall, go spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.

Let every tribe and every tongue to him their hearts enthral, lift high the universal song and crown him Lord of all.

Edward Perronet (1726-92) et al

Prayer at the Preparation of the Altar

The priest takes the bread and wine.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you bring forth bread

from the earth.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you create the fruit of the vine.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer (B)

The Lord is here.

A// His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things;

who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh:

as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us;

he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ:

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,

took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks;

he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,

which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Deacon Let us proclaim the mystery of faith

All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory,

we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of St John the Evangelist, Mary the Mother of God. St Peter and all the saints. may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Deacon Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The priest breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

We sit as **Agnus Dei** is sung by all.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

The priest says the invitation.

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion is received. Please bow your head if you prefer to receive a blessing.

The Body of Christ. **Amen.** The Blood of Christ. **Amen.**

Anthem: O praise the Lord - Goss

Hymn

Lord Jesus Christ
you have come to us
You are one with us, Mary's Son;
Cleansing our souls from all
their sin,
pouring your love
and goodness in;
Jesus, our love for you we sing,
Living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,
now and every day
teach us how to pray,
Son of God.
You have commanded us to do
this in remembrance, Lord, of
you:
Into our lives
your power breaks through,
Living Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us Born as one of us, Mary's Son; Led out to die on Calvary, Risen from death to set us free, Living Lord Jesus, help us see You are Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ,
I would come to you,
live my life for you, Son of God.
All your commands
I know are true,
your many gifts
will make me new,
into my life
your power breaks through,
Living Lord.

Patrick Appleford (b.1924)

Prayer after Communion

Priest God of all mercy, 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. All Amen.

All Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and

brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared
your love, gave us grace, and
opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body
live his risen life; we who drink
his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights
give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope
you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall
be free, and the whole earth live
to praise your name; through
Christ our Lord. Amen.

Notices

The Blessing
Priest The Lord be with you.
All And also with you

Priest The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Final hymn (Psalm 103)

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing? Praise him! Praise him! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress; praise him still the same for ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless. Praise him! Praise him! Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us;

well our feeble frame he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes. Praise him! Praise him! Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face; sun and moon, bow down before him; dwellers all in time and space. Praise him! Praise him! Praise with us the God of grace.

H. F. Lyte (1793-1847)

The Dismissal

Priest The Lord be with you.

All And also with you

All May the grace of our Lord

Jesus Christ, and love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy

Spirit, be with us all, evermore.

Amen.

Priest May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace...

All and rise in glory. Amen. Dcn Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ voluntary: Festival Toccata – Percy E. Fletcher



Flowers in Church



A Message from Kate: Via Beata Walks

As part of my preparation for walking the Compostela next June, I am going to be walking on Fridays if anyone would like to join me. In addition, I am planning some 3-day weekends to start walking this new pilgrimage route across England from Lowestoft to St David's in Wales. The first weekend will be the 20 -22nd October; each day's walk will be 11- 13 miles. If you would like to join this or any future weekends do talk to me and I will keep you updated. The walk website is www.viabeata.co.uk.

A Date for your Diary
The Revd Rosemary
is to be licensed as
Priest-in-Charge at
Blacklands Church
on Monday 2nd October
at 7.30pm.
All very welcome.

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News from the Diocese: As part of the Diocesan Year of the Old Testament, we have two groups (one afternoon and one evening) reading and discussing together. On Wednesday 6th September, we're going to begin looking at Exodus. Anyone (clergy or lay) is welcome to join us either 1:30pm to 2:45pm or 7:45pm to 9pm. For any queries, please contact Marc: marc_lloyd@hotmail.com

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