



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 18th March 2018

The Fifth Sunday in Lent Passion Sunday

Services Today

9.30am Said Mass & Family Ministry

Hymns: 95: S. 13

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon

Hymns: 79 (Tune 128): 90: Anthem: 95

12.30pm Baptism of Hudson Ian Paul

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Introit Give sentence with me, O God, and defend the cause of my soul against the ungodly people: deliver me, and rid me from the deceitful and wicked man; for thou, O Lord, art my God, and my strong salvation.

Psalm O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me: and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling. Glory be...

Gradual Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies: teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee. *V.* It is the Lord that delivereth me from my cruel enemies, and setteth me up above mine adversaries: thou shalt deliver me from the wicked man.

Tract Many a time have they fought against me: from my youth up. *V.* May Israel now say: yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up. *V.* But they have not prevailed against me: the plowers ploughed upon my back. *V.* And made long furrows: but the righteous Lord hath hewn the snares of the ungodly in pieces.

Offertory I will give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart: O do well unto thy servant, that I may live, and keep thy word: quicken thou me, according to thy word, O Lord.

Communion If any man serve me, let him follow me: and where I am, there shall also my servant be.

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Collect

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
through 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.

Old Testament Reading - Jeremiah Ch31 v31-34

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the LORD', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

New Testament Reading - Hebrews Ch5 v5-10

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,
'You are my Son,
today I have begotten you';
⁶as he says also in another place,
'You are a priest for ever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.'

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Gospel Acclamation

Priest: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal Glory.

Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death,
even death on a cross.
Therefore God has exalted him
and given him the name that is above every name.

All: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Gospel - John Ch12 v20-33

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks.

²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' ²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

²⁷'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' ³⁰Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Post Communion

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us
that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters
we do also for you:
give us the will to be the servant of others
as you were the servant of all,
and gave up your life and died for us,
but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

Please remember in your prayers

Elizabeth Opie, Joyce Craske, Judy Bobbitt, Maureen Pitman,
Alisha De Guerin, Christine Shaw, Tony Renouf, David Le Lievre,
Claudia Moore and Barbara Streek.

Please pray also for Pam; for Michele, Jaike and Glyn, all suffering from
cancer; for Melvyn Boxall and Chris Bellinger;
and for Samuel, a 12 year-old boy diagnosed with leukaemia.

Services for this week

Monday 19th March 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers Group

Tuesday 20th March 11.00am Said Mass - Cuthbert of Lindisfarne - Bishop, 687

Wednesday 21st March 7.00pm Said Mass - Thomas Cranmer - Martyr, 1556

Thursday 22nd March 2.00pm Lent Course 'On the Way' – Session 4

Friday 23rd March 7.00pm Said Mass - Turibius of Lima - Archbishop, 1606

Sunday 25th March

The Palm Sunday

9.30am Family Service

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon

12.30pm Baptism of Harper Philips

2.30-4.00pm Messy Church in the Community Centre



Sunday 25th March 2018 from 2.30-4.00pm.

In the Community Centre

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt in the Church Garden!

Painting, decorating and various crafts activities, as well as breakout games.

Refreshments will be served.

A wonderful time is guaranteed for all!

Please RSVP to Andrea Bateman

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Mothers' Union

Anyone interested is invited to a Planning Meeting for the new Deanery Branch of the Mothers' Union on **Wednesday, 21st March** in the Billie and Leslie Norman Room at the Vale Church grounds at **2.00p.m.** Further information was in the March Church Magazine. If you are interested, but unable to come along that day please contact Jenny Tasker, current Deanery Trustee, on 701528.

Please join us for refreshments:

- *in the Vicarage after the 9.30am Mass*
- *in the Vestry after the 11.00am Mass*

After Mass please put the kneelers back on the shelf. Thank you!

Deadline for notices for next bulletin – **6.00pm Thursday**

To Tony or email akaines@cwgsy.net