



# Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen



Sunday 27th May 2018

Trinity Sunday

## Services Today

**9.30am**      **Family Service**

**Hymns:**      **146: S.13**

**11.00am**      Sung Mass with Sermon & Procession

**Hymns:**      **148: 351: S.13: 146**

**12.30pm**      Baptism of Kiyarni Tagoe

### ***At the start of the Procession***

Let us proceed in peace

**In the Name of Christ. Amen.**

### ***At the end of the Procession***

Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Let us praise and exalt him for ever.**

Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit; grant that we, who ever trust in your loving-kindness, may always adore your glory and majesty; who are one eternal Trinity in Unity, God over all, blessed for ever. **Amen.**

## **692 Trinity Sunday**

**Introit** Blessed be the Holy Trinity, and the undivided Unity: we will praise and glorify him, because he hath showed his mercy upon us.

**Psalms** O Lord our Governor: how excellent is thy Name in all the world. Glory be...

**Gradual** Blessed art thou, O Lord, which beholdest the great deep: and sittest upon the Cherubim. *V.* Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven: and above all to be praised and glorified for ever.

**Alleluia** Alleluia. Alleluia. *V.* Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers: and worthy to be praised for evermore, Alleluia.

**Offertory** Blessed be God the Father, and the only begotten Son of God; and blessed be the Holy Spirit: for the mercy he hath done unto us.

**Communion** Let us bless the God of heaven; and in the sight of all living will we give thanks unto him: because he hath done to us-ward after his lovingkindness.

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## Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:  
keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;  
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 - Isaiah Ch6 v1 - 8

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

‘Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.’

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: ‘Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!’

<sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: ‘Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.’ <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?’ And I said, ‘Here am I; send me!’

## New Testament Reading - Romans Ch8 v12 - 17

<sup>12</sup> So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— <sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

## Gospel - John Ch3 v1 - 17

<sup>3</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, ‘Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.’ <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, ‘Very truly, I tell you, no one can see

the kingdom of God without being born from above.’ <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, ‘How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?’ <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, ‘Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, “You must be born from above.” <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.’ <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, ‘How can these things be?’ <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, ‘Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

<sup>11</sup>‘Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>‘For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>‘Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

## **Post Communion**

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever.

## **Choir Hamper**

The Choir are making up a hamper for the Raffle on 16th June, on the theme of ‘A Summer Picnic’. Contributions from the congregation are welcomed.  
Please give items to any Choir member over the next two Sundays.

## **Please remember in your prayers**

Joyce Craske, Judy Bobbitt, Maureen Pitman,  
Alisha De Guerin, Christine Shaw, Tony Renouf,  
David Le Lievre, Barbara Streek and Samantha Brehaut.  
Please pray also for Pam; for Michele, Jaike and Glyn; for Melvyn Boxall,  
Chris Bellinger; and for Samuel.

Please also pray for the soul of Elizabeth Opie.  
May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

## Services for this week

**Monday 28th May 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers Group**

**Tuesday 29th May 11.00am** Said Mass

**Wednesday 30th May 7.00pm** Said Mass - Josephine Butler, Social Reformer, 1906

**Thursday 31st May 7.00pm Sung Mass - The Visit of the Blessed Virgin to Elizabeth** (with the participation of Cantores Coutances)

**Friday 1st June 7.00pm** Said Mass - Justin, Martyr at Rome c165

**Sunday 3rd June**

**The First Sunday after Trinity**

**9.30am** Said Mass & Family Ministry

**11.00am** Sung Mass with Sermon



Helpers are required at **9.30pm on Wednesday 6th June** to help prepare the carpet which will occupy (as last time) the whole of the central aisle.

This will involve cutting the stalks off ivy leaves which will be the main infill for the display.

So bring your scissors, join in the fun, sit and chat while we snip away!

**Afternoon Tea Party**

**Saturday 16th June 2018 at 3.00pm  
in St Stephen's Church Garden**

Including quality raffle and musical entertainment.

Tickets in advance from

Jean Le Huray 255207 or Ann Goss 266214

£10 each in aid of Church funds

**Stewards Required**

Stewards are required to be in church while it is open during the Tree of Jesse festival.

If you would like to help, please see Ann Goss who is drawing up the rota.

Thank you.

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**

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