



# Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen



Sunday 15th July 2018

## The Seventh Sunday after Trinity (Proper 10)

### Services Today

**9.30am** Said Mass with Family Ministry  
**Hymns:** 391: MP790  
**11:00am** Sung Mass with Sermon  
**Hymns:** 393: 103: S.44: 391

### 699 Trinity 7

**Introit** O clap your hands together, all ye people: O sing unto God with the voice of joy and triumph.

**Psalm** For the Lord is high, and to be feared: he is the great King upon all the earth. Glory be ...

**Gradual** I will magnify thee, O Lord, for thou hast set me up: and hast not made my foes to triumph over me. *V.* O Lord my God, I cried unto thee: and thou hast healed me: Thou Lord hast brought my soul out of hell; thou hast kept my life from them that go down into the pit

**Alleluia** Alleluia. Alleluia. *V.* O clap your hands together, all ye people: O sing unto God with the voice of melody. Alleluia.

**Offertory** Like as in the burnt offerings of rams and bullocks; and like as in ten thousands of fat lambs: so let our sacrifice be in thy sight this day, that it may please thee; for they shall not be confounded that put their trust in thee, O Lord.

**Communion** Bow down thine ear to me: make haste to deliver me.

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## Collect

Lord of all power and might,  
the author and giver of all good things:  
graft in our hearts the love of your name,  
increase in us true religion,  
nourish us with all goodness,  
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;  
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 – Amos Ch7 v7 - 15

<sup>7</sup>This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said, 'See, I am setting a plumb-line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; <sup>9</sup>the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'  
<sup>10</sup>Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup>For thus Amos has said, "Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land."'  
<sup>12</sup>And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; <sup>13</sup>but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.'  
<sup>14</sup>Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, <sup>15</sup>and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

## New Testament Reading – Ephesians Ch1 v3 - 14

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup>He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup>that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you

also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

## **Gospel – Mark Ch6 v14 - 29**

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' <sup>15</sup>But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' <sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

<sup>17</sup>For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. <sup>18</sup>For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' <sup>19</sup>And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, <sup>20</sup>for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. <sup>21</sup>But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. <sup>22</sup>When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' <sup>23</sup>And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' <sup>24</sup>She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.' <sup>25</sup>Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' <sup>26</sup>The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. <sup>27</sup>Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, <sup>28</sup>brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup>When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

## **Post Communion**

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,  
ever giving himself that the world may live:  
may we so receive within ourselves  
the power of his death and passion  
that, in his saving cup,  
we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

### **Please remember in your prayers**

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

## Services This Week

**Monday 16th July 10.00am** 'Little Treasures' Toddlers Group

**Tuesday 17th July 7.00pm** Said Mass

**Wednesday 18th July 7.00pm** Said Mass - Elizabeth Ferard, 1st Deaconess,  
1883

**Friday 20th July 7.00pm** Said Mass - Margaret of Antioch, Martyr, 4th century

**Sunday 22nd July**

**The Feast Mary Magdalene**

**The Eighth Sunday after Trinity**

**9.30am** Said Mass with Family Ministry

**11.00am** Sung Mass with Sermon

## Walsingham Cell

On Saturday 21st July at 4pm, a 'Walsingham Cell' will be organised at St Stephen's Church. All who are interested in participating in the next Guernsey Pilgrimage to Walsingham (8th-12th October) are invited to attend, as well as anyone who has been to Walsingham in the past.



### Books for Sale!

Did you know we are selling books in the Vestry for church funds? If you have any **modern** books in good condition that you would like to donate please put them in the box.

Some of the books have been read by many who then bring them back for others to read.

This can raise quite a lot even though we are only asking 50p to take a book.

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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