



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen



Sunday 8th July 2018

Sixth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 9)

Services Today

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| 9:30am | Said Mass with Family Ministry |
| Hymns: | 354: 486: |
| 11:00am | Sung Mass with Sermon |
| Hymns: | 486: 354: 357: 466 |
| 12.30pm | Baptism of Charlotte Le Page |

698 Trinity 6

Introit The Lord is the strength of his people, and a stronghold of salvation to his Anointed One: O Lord, save thine own people, and give thy blessing unto thine inheritance; O feed them also, and set them up for ever.

Psalm Unto thee will I cry, O Lord; my God, be not silent unto me: lest if thou make as though thou hearest not, I become like them that go down into the pit. Glory be ...

Gradual Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last: and be gracious unto thy servants. *V.* Lord, thou hast been our refuge: from one generation to another.

Alleluia Alleluia. Alleluia. *V.* In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion: deliver me in thy righteousness; bow down thine ear to me, make haste to deliver me, Alleluia.

Offertory O hold thou up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not; incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words: Show thy marvellous loving-kindness, O Lord; thou that art the Saviour of them that put their trust in thee.

Communion Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness: I will sing and speak praises unto the Lord.

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<http://st-stephens-guernsey.org>

Collect

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
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 - Ezekiel Ch2 v1-5

¹He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. ²And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. ³He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' ⁵Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

New Testament Reading - 2 Corinthians Ch12 v2-10

²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given to me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Gospel - Mark Ch6 v1-13

¹Jesus came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. ²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the

carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please remember in your prayers

Joyce Craske, Judy Bobbitt, Maureen Pitman,
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.

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.

Thank You

Claudia Moore would like to thank everyone at St Stephen's for their wonderful signs of love, care and support during her recent operation. She is very grateful to you all.

Services this week

Monday 9th July 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group

Tuesday 10th July 7.00am Said Mass - Antony of Kiev, Abbot 1073

Wednesday 11th July 7.00pm Said Mass - Benedict of Nursia, Abbot of Monte Casino, Founder of W. Monasticism c550

Friday 13th July 7.00pm Said Mass - Eugenius of Carthage, Bishop 505

Sunday 15th July

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Said Mass with Family Ministry

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon

12.30pm Baptism of Brodi Ian Stephen Smith

Please join us for a **Picnic lunch next Sunday (15th July)** after the 11am service. In the Garden if the weather is fine, in the Community Centre if not!

This year, we are asking for a little extra so that we can raise a little more to go towards the Jesse Windows fund (£10 per person, children free).

Food and non-alcoholic drinks included, but if you want to bring a bottle to go with your lunch, please feel free to.

Please give your name and numbers to Anne Le Maitre or Beth Bourgaize today!



We will also have a Hamper to Raffle for Church funds so bring your money along!!



Taizé

Saturday 14th July 4.00 – 05.00pm

A service of music interspersed with times of silence, prayer, meditation and adoration in the style of the Taizé Community



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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