

Services This Week

Monday 17th September 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group
Tuesday 18th September 11.00am Said Mass
Wednesday 19th September 7.00pm Said Mass - Theodore of Tarsus,
Archbishop of Canterbury, 690
Friday 21st September 7.00pm - Feast of St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist
Saturday 22nd September 4.00pm Taizé Service

Sunday 23rd September
The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity
9.30am Family Service
11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon
12.30pm Sunday Club lunch



Saturday 22nd September 4.00pm Taizé Service

Dedication Lunch

Sunday 7th October after the combined 10.30am Mass

Menu—Cold Meat, Salad, Jacket Potatoes, Apple Pie & Cream.

Adults £8, Children £4, under 5s free.

Please give your names/money to Jean Le Huray (Tel 255207) with any dietary requirements as from next Sunday 23rd September.

Quiz Night

Saturday 13th October

Please tell friends, family, colleagues and make up teams, we need your support to raise funds for the Church.

Teams of 6, Bean Jar. Meat/Vegetarian/Chilli £8 per person/
Donations Bar/Raffle for 7.30pm.

Please let Steph or Ann Goss know you are coming so we can make sure this event happens.

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



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen



Sunday 16th September 2018

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 19)

Services Today

9.30am Said Mass with Hymns and Sermon
Hymns: 439 (1st Tune) : MP367

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon
Hymns: 149: 439 (1st Tune): 328: 234

12.30pm Baptism of Brodi Ian Stephen Smith

708 Trinity 16

Introit Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I have called daily upon thee: for thou, O Lord, art gracious and merciful, and plenteous in thy loving-kindness toward all them that call upon thee.

Psalm Bow down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor and in misery. Glory be ...

Gradual The heathen shall fear thy Name, O Lord: and all the kings of the earth thy majesty. V. When the Lord shall built up Syon: and when his glory shall appear.

Alleluia Alleluia. Alleluia. V. O sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvellous things. Alleluia.

Offertory Look down, O Lord, to help me; let them be ashamed, and confounded together, that seek after my soul to destroy it: look down, O Lord, to help me.

Communion O Lord, I will make mention of thy righteousness only, thou, God, hast taught me from my youth up until now: forsake me not, O God, in my old age, when I am grey headed.

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Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers
of your people who call upon you;
and grant that they may both perceive and know
what things they ought to do,
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;
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 Ch50 v4-9a

⁴The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he awakens—
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backwards.
⁶I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.
⁷The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
⁸ he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
⁹It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

New Testament Reading - James Ch3 v1-12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Gospel - Mark Ch8 v27-38

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' ²⁸And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.'
²⁹He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.'
³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Post Communion

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please remember in your prayers

Joyce Craske, Judy Bobbitt, Hazel & John Greany,
Alisha De Guerin, Christine Shaw, Tony Renouf,
David Le Lievre, a young man who is recovering from a problem with drugs
and Samantha Brehaut.
Please pray also for Michele, Jaike and Glyn; for Melvyn Boxall;
for Chris Bellinger; and for Samuel.