



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen



Sunday 14th October 2018

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 23)

Services Today

9.30am Said Mass & Family Ministry
Hymns: 433: S.23

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon
Hymns: 318: 296 (1st Tune): 306: S.23

712 Trinity 20

Introit Everything that thou hast brought upon us, O Lord God, thou hast done in righteousness: and judgement: for we have trespassed against thee, and have not obeyed thy commandments; but give glory and honour to thy Name, and deal with us according to the multitude of thy tender mercies.

Psalm Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord. Glory be ...

Gradual The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord, and thou givest them their meat in due season. *V.* Thou openest thy hand, and fillest all things living with plenteousness.

Alleluia Alleluia. Alleluia. *V.* God, my heart is ready, my heart is ready: I will sing and give praise with the best member that I have. Alleluia.

Offertory By the waters of Babylon we sat down, and wept: when we remembered thee, O Syon.

Communion Remember thy word unto thy servant, O Lord, wherein thou hast caused me to put my trust: the same is my comfort in my affliction.

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

Collect

God, the giver of life,
whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church:
by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ
and make us eager to do your will,
that we may share with the whole creation
the joys of eternal life;
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 Ch5 v6-7 & v10-15

⁶Seek the LORD and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,
and bring righteousness to the ground!

¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

¹¹Therefore, because you trample on the poor
and take from them levies of grain,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.

¹²For I know how many are your transgressions,
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the gate.

¹³Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.

¹⁴Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.

¹⁵Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

New Testament Reading - Hebrews Ch4 v12-16

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must

render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Gospel - Mark Ch10 v17-31

¹⁷As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' ¹⁸Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother." ' ²⁰He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.'

²⁸Peter began to say to him, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you.' ²⁹Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.'

Post Communion

God our Father,
whose Son, the light unfailing,
has come from heaven to deliver the world
from the darkness of ignorance:
let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding
that we may know the way of life,
and walk in it without stumbling;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Services This Week

Monday 15th October 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group

11.00am Funeral - Joyce Craske

Tuesday 16th October 11.00am Mass Cancelled - Beechwood Harvest Festival

Wednesday 17th October 7.00pm Bible Study & Prayer Group
followed by Compline

Friday 19th October 7.00pm - Henry Martyn, Translator of the Scriptures,
Missionary in India & Pakistan, 1812

Sunday 21st October

The Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Said Mass & Family Ministry

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon

Please remember in your prayers

Judy Bobbitt, Hazel Greany, Alisha De Guerin, Christine Shaw,
Tony Renouf, David Le Lievre, a young man recovering from drugs,
Lyn Trieschmann and Samantha Brehaut

Please pray also for Michele, Jaike and Glyn; for Melvyn Boxall;
for Chris Bellinger; and for Samuel.

Pray also for the soul of Joyce Craske:
may she rest in peace and rise in glory.



Wednesday 17th October 7.00pm

Bible Study & Prayer Group followed by Compline.

Week 1 - 'Preparing for the Journey'

Chocoholics

It's that time again, get some yummy gifts for Christmas
while supporting St. Stephen's: the more we sell, the more



Help for Tumaini

There is a Tumaini meeting for the making of Hygiene kits for Girls, on
Saturday 20th October 2 - 4 pm in the Vestry at church. All welcome. For
more details ring Anne on 07781112557.

Gift Month

Thank you to all who have returned the gift month envelopes. If you did not
receive one in the October magazine, there are some spare envelopes on the
black chest at the back of church

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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