



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 19th May 2019

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Alleluia - Christ is Risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Services Today

- 9.30am** Said Mass with Hymns and Sermon
Hymns: 388: S.3 (sung twice)
- 11.00am** Sung Mass with Sermon
Hymns: 388: S.2: 406: 451 (Tune 230 2nd tune)
- 12.30pm** Baptism of Olivia Una Mollet

687 Easter 5 (The Fifth Sunday of Easter)

Introit O sing unto the Lord a new song, alleluia; for the Lord hath done marvellous things, alleluia. In the sight of the nations hath he shewed his righteous judgements, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm With his own right hand, and with his holy arm: hath he gotten himself the victory. Glory be...

Alleluia Alleluia. Alleluia. V. The right hand of the Lord hath pre-eminence: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass. Alleluia. V. Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. Alleluia.

Offertory O be joyful in God all ye lands; sing praises unto the honour of his Name; O come hither and hearken all ye that fear God, and I will tell you what things he hath done for my soul, alleluia.

Communion I am the true vine, ye are the branches; He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit, alleluia, alleluia.

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

Collect

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us
the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The First Reading - Acts Ch11 v1-18

¹Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticised him, ³saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' ⁴Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." ⁸But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." ⁹But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." ¹⁰This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹²The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." ¹⁵And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptised with water, but you will be baptised with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁷If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' ¹⁸When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

The Second Reading - Revelation Ch21 v1-6

²¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

'See, the home* of God is among mortals.
He will dwell* with them;
they will be his peoples,*
and God himself will be with them;*' ⁴
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away.'

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' ⁶Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

Gospel - John Ch13 v31-35

³¹During Supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

Post Communion

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Please remember in your prayers

Judy Bobbitt, Tony Renouf, David Le Lievre,
Hazel and John Greany, Brenda Penfold, Alisha De Guerin,
a young man recovering from a problem with drugs,
Rose and Daphne Swann.

Pray also for Michele, Jaike and Glyn; for Melvyn Boxall;
for Chris Bellinger.

Services This Week

Monday 20th May 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group
7.00pm APCC Meeting

Tuesday 21st May 11.00am Mass - BCP

Wednesday 22nd May 7.00pm Mass

Thursday 23rd May 11.30am Meeting of the Divine Healing Order of Mary

Friday 24th May 7.00pm Mass

Sunday 26th May

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

9.30am Family Service

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon

12.30pm Baptism of Alex James Prigent



**29th May 'William Morris,
Edward Burne-Jones and
Pre-Raphaelite stained glass'**

7.30pm An illustrated lecture by Adrian Barlow highlighting the influence of G.F. Bodley on William Morris in the context of St Stephen's and other churches where they worked closely together in the 1860s.

Farm visit on Rogation Sunday

There are 20 places for this visit to Meadow Court Farm in St Andrews on **Sunday May 26th at 3.00pm** details of which are in the magazine.

Please give your name to Ann Goss or Eileen Samman if you would like to go.

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

Nick Tudgey
Fingerstyle Guitarist

At: St. Stephen's Church, Les Gravees GY1 1RN
Date: June 7 2019 Time: 7:30pm
Tickets: £5 - Available in the church or on the night

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Thanks to the **Guernsey Glee Singers**, we have received a cheque for £750 towards the restoration of the William Morris windows. Many thanks!