Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 2nd June 2019

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

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

Services Today

9.30am Said Mass with Family Ministry

Hymns: 134: S.6

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon

Hymns: 332: 352: 499: 349

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Introit Consider, O Lord, and hear me, when I cry unto thee, alleluia; unto thee my heart hath said, Thy face, Lord, have I sought: thy face, Lord, will I seek: O hide not thou thy face from thy servant, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom then shall I fear? Glory be...

Alleluia Alleluia. Alleluia. W. God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon his holy seat. Alleluia. W. I will not leave you comfortless: I go away and come again unto you, and your heart shall rejoice. Alleluia.

Offertory God is gone up with a merry noise: and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet, alleluia.

Communion Father, while I was with them in the world, I kept those that thou gavest to me, alleluia: and now I come unto thee: I pray thee not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from evil, alleluia, alleluia.

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, Daphne Swann and Barbara Winter. Pray also for Melvyn Boxall and Chris Bellinger.

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Collect

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading - Acts Ch16 v16-34

¹⁶One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' ¹⁸She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. ²⁰When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews ²¹and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' ²²The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. ²⁷When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' ²⁹The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' ³¹They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' ³²They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptised without delay. ³⁴He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Second Reading - Revelation Ch22 v12-14,16-17,20-21

¹² See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. ¹³I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.'

¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

¹⁶ 'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.'

¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.' And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

²⁰ The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!'

²¹ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Gospel - John Ch17 v20-26

²⁰Jesus looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵ 'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

Post Communion

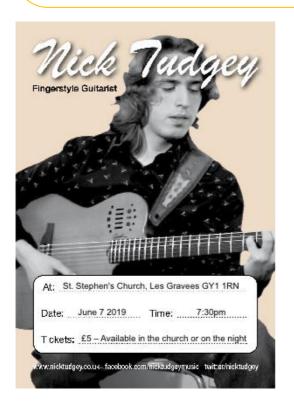
Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Services This Week

Monday 3rd June 10.00am 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group Tuesday 4th June 11.00am Mass - BCP Wednesday 5th June 7.00pm Mass Friday 7th June 7.00pm Mass Cancelled

> Sunday 9th June The Feast of Pentecost Whit Sunday

9.30am Said Mass with Family Ministry11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon12.30pm Baptism of Charlotte Le Page





The **Friendship Lunch** will be on Tuesday 11th June at 12.00pm, St Stephen's Community Centre.

Menu -Quiche, Salad & New Potatoes Strawberries & Ice Cream

£6.50 per person. To book please contact Jean Le Huray Tel 255207 by Sunday 9th June.

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